


what's coming up @ ACPC?

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	7.30pm Newmarket Group	10.30am Ladies Group 6.30pm Young Adults' Group 6.30pm Christianity Explored	10.30am Tea & Talk 8pm Greenlane Group	ST PATRICK'S DAY Bake & Take 		10.30am Communion Service & Membership Service (John Probert) 3-5pm Table Tennis 2.30pm Cantonese 3.30pm Mandarin
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	7.30pm Newmarket Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk		10.00am Remuera Home Group	10.30am Service After church Neighbours' Day 2.30pm Cantonese 3.30pm Mandarin 3-5pm Table Tennis 6-9pm Pot-luck Dinner and Games
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AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City
12th March 2017

praying for others

- **Rev Tang & Rev Vogel as they minister at ACPC** - for wisdom & God's guidance in leading our ministries.
- **ACPC congregations** - that we hear more keenly God's direction for us on a personal and church level, and act upon it.
- **For our neighbours in the city**- that we may put into action meaningful ways to show Your kindness, love, mercy and grace to our neighbourhood.
- **For those who are weary**- we pray for rest, refuge and restoration in You, for Your renewing strength and energy.
- **For those affected by recent heavy rain, flooding and power cuts** - Pray for safety, comfort, strength and assistance.



"A Genuine Inquiry"

John 3:1-17

John Probert

A very warm welcome to everyone,
especially visitors,
to the service today!
Please join us for morning tea
afterwards.

prayer
Serving @ acpc

This week contact

Service Leader
Music Leader
Bible Reader
Ushers
Techno

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Cup of Tea & Dishes

Eva Yeung, Quin Gee, John Probert

George Lower, Benson Fong, Jean Wong

Reaching out each week @ acpc

Tea and Talk - games, tea and English conversation:

Thursdays 10.30am-12pm

Table tennis:

Sundays 3 - 5pm weekly

A good way to develop your table tennis skills in a friendly, stress-free atmosphere.

Neighbours day - 26th March

On the 26 March, after the service, please come down to Myers Park to enjoy "Neighbours Day" any time from from about 12.30 to 3.00pm. This is a prime and rare opportunity to meet our inner-city neighbours. We have a table on which to play games (Chinese checkers, pick up sticks, barrel of monkeys). We need 2 or 3 people to fill in a roster to be at the table over the time - please sign up for as much or as little time as you have. Also, please just "loiter with intent" to talk to people. This is fun but is also another step in the serious business of connecting with and sharing with our neighbours."

Family Start

Presbyterian Support Northern's *Family Start* is a free service for parents and caregivers who face challenges in parenting their babies and young children. They are looking for children's underwear, especially boys aged 3 - 5 years, boy's shoes child size 8 - 10 and adult women's shoes size 8 - 10. If you can help, please see Jean or email (sojewong@gmail.com) or text (0211411054). Thank you.

How's your Cantonese... or your Mandarin?



Would you like to learn or brush up your Cantonese and/or Mandarin? Daisy is offering classes on Sunday afternoons in the Sunday School room: Cantonese at 2.30pm and Mandarin at 3.30pm. See Daisy, text 02102372394 or email her (yydaisyleung@yahoo.com.hk) to express your interest. Classes every Sunday!

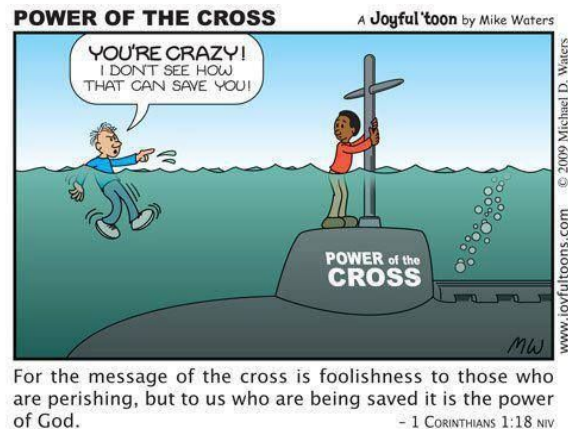
Be willing to pay the price.

'I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down.' Nehemiah 6:3 NKJV

Success usually comes at the end of struggle; if it came easily, everybody would be experiencing it. When it comes to success, there are no shortcuts, reduced prices or 'special deals.' The value of anything is determined by the price you're willing to pay



for it. And when you truly value something, you won't easily jeopardise it because you remember what it cost you. What are you afraid of today? Failing? Your concern should be the opposite - regret that you didn't try. Are you afraid of criticism? Face it - as you move upward in life certain people will resent your success; that's true whether you're arrogant or not. We all want to be liked, but at some point you've got to ask yourself, 'How much am I willing to forfeit in order to be liked and accepted?' Nehemiah, the builder of Jerusalem's walls, said, 'I am doing a great work, so...I cannot come down' (Nehemiah 6:3 NKJV). Any time you defer to the opinion of people instead of the will of God, you are 'coming down.' Stay up on the wall! Keep laying bricks - or whatever God has called you to do. Advancement often brings isolation and criticism, and God may be grooming you right now for a new level of blessing by exposing you to both. Can you handle it? Not everybody can. But if you're the kind of person who can't sit in the bleachers and watch while others play the game - go for it! God will reward every step of faith you take and every sacrifice you make. -Word for Today



For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
- 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18 NIV

ACPC news for the newsletter?

Is your Home Group having a special event? Have you taken some photos at the latest Pot Luck, or Bake and Take? With the team of Jo Wong; Linlee Tram and Celia Wong looking after the newsletters this year, it would be much appreciated if you could use acpcnews@gmail.com to get in touch with us - thanks!