

# CHURCH CALENDAR

## 26 OCTOBER - 1 NOVEMBER

<b>Monday</b>	
7:00 pm	Williams Home Group (758 3861)
<b>Tuesday</b>	
9:30 am	Women in the Word (Lounge)
7:30 pm	Siraa Home Group (Fortnightly - 7539878)
<b>Wednesday</b>	
10:00 am	Wednesday Bible Study (Lounge)
10:00 am	International Group (Downstairs)
12:30 pm	Intercessors' Gathering
7:15 pm	Barnes Home Group (Fortnightly - 7572525)
7:30 pm	Prestidge Home Group (Fortnightly - 7510711)
7:30 pm	Kelderman Home Group (Fortnightly - 7583515)
7:30 pm	Men's Study for Life Group (Fortnightly)
<b>Thursday</b>	
6:00 pm	Shared Meal followed by Thursday Service (Lounge)
<b>Friday</b>	
7:35 am	Nepal Team Fly to Auckland
10:00 pm	mainly music
7:15 pm	Youth Group (Whole Complex)
<b>Saturday</b>	
5:30 pm	Holy Word Alpha (Lounge)
<b>Sunday</b>	
9:30 am	Family Service
2:30 pm	Jesus is Lord Church Service (Auditorium)
2:30 pm	Chinese Fellowship Service (Lounge)
5:00 pm	CCC (Lounge)

### Today:

**Crèche:** Holiday Weekend-no crèche

### Next Week:

**Morning Tea:** K & A Gilmour  
**Crèche:** L Neighbour & D Knight

**Tadpoles:** A Groepies  
**Oasis:** N Hansen  
**Main Door:** E Williams & G Prestidge

**Inclusion:** H Kirkland  
**Offering:** E Williams, Y Evans, M Siraa, J Gane, J Vickers, M Makatoa

**COMMUNION:** I McKillop, F Gill, J Hatch, R Rae, K Whittaker, D Klenner

## CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH



### I lift my eyes...

I keep **my eyes** always on the Lord. With Him at **my** right hand, I will not be shaken. I lift up **my eyes** to you, to you who sit enthroned in heaven. (Psalm 16:7-9 Psalm 123:1)

1. Pray for Baptist Hui just 10 days away from 4-7 November. We will be represented by Elaine Nicholls and by Ian & Jill McKillop. Pray for grace and wisdom in the Same Sex Marriage discussion and vote. Pray for the Lord to guide the gathering of leadership as they look forward to 2016
2. Pray for Nepal team as they leave this Friday and are away until the 17<sup>th</sup> of November. Consider making them a regular reason to pray. 2.00pm in the afternoon here in New Zealand is the beginning of the day in Nepal. Perhaps you might find a prayer buddy and 2.00pm is a time when you will pray together, even over the telephone.
3. Pray for the team that will look after the church life during the absence of the Nepal Team. Anne Knox will take a lead role in Martien's absence, those preaching, pastoral care, leadership of small groups will value your support and prayer at this time.

**Prayer Chain:** For urgent prayer requests please phone Margaret Collins on 758 2777 or Mavis Easton on 753 6493.



## CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

## Welcome to Worship

25 October 2015

### Today at NPCBC

**9.30 am Family Service**

**7.30 pm Call to Prayer** (Lounge via Lemon St entrance)

**Prayer Ministry:** If you would like someone to talk or pray with you after the service please come to the front and someone will meet with you.

### Thursday at NPCBC

7.30 p.m. in the Lounge

### Duty Elder



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## Martien's Musings

I want to express a great big thank you to everyone who contributed to making the jubilee last week a success. A lot of hard work goes into an event like that. It all went smoothly, I received great feedback from many of our guests and our invited speakers were very enthusiastic about the life they found here amongst us. It was a big team that made it happen and I cannot list all the names. I will mention and acknowledge a superb effort by Cherry who took on the co-ordination of the weekend. Well done and thank you Cherry.

I am reflecting on the message of the weekend. We asked our two guest speakers plus myself to tell us here at Central, in 7.5 minutes each, what God is saying to the church. –They did not consult with each other in coming to their message. Here is the briefest of summaries

**John Douglas – President of the Baptist Union** quoted “The testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of Prophecy” from Revelation 19:10 - We here at Central are called to be a prophetic organisation, a prophetic people, a prophetic community. We are called to refresh and grow this purpose. He offered three prompting words

Message: The prophetic message, whether spoken, or lived, or acted always follows hearing God first. The prophetic message is the general and essential element of the people of God.

Motivation: The love of Christ constrains us, His love is the motivator, we are prophetic because we have experienced His love and allowed His love to touch our hearts and will allow His love to be seen and experienced in our city.

Mood: How we say things and how we live is important. It should be bathed in love, gentleness and grace

**Len Buttner of Eagle Ascend Ministries and a pastor/prophet in the Elim Churches** brought us these words (summarised)

‘This church carries a prophetic DNA and we are encouraged to rise up into it. This DNA calls for us to be led by the Spirit both as individuals and corporately. What makes us prophetic is our ability to hear.’ He offered three words to reinforce this understanding:

Presence: We are encouraged to enter even more into prayer which brings breakthrough and praise and worship ,which can bring us into intimacy with God.

## Martien's Musings cont...

Passion: Intimacy of relationship with God will grow in us a passion for the things of God. Knowing His heart will motivate and move us to be a prophetic people, to hear him and speak and act for Him. God is stirring up the comfortable in Central Baptist to restore and build our passion.

Purity: There is a call to remain pure in our devotion and commitment to God and out of that will come and grow purity of thought, action and motivation.

Neither of these two men were asked to speak on the prophetic. However they have the same Lord so why would we be surprised that when they each ask the Lord what He is saying to Central Baptist that He gives them essentially the same message. More is the point, are we willing to hear God's words through these speakers. My own hearing from God is available in printed form.

Martien



## Church Life

**The Taranaki Cathedral Church of St Mary:** extends an invitation to a bi-cultural service for the annual day of commemoration for the community of Parihaka. It was on 5 November 1881 that the government sent troops to break up the community. On Thursday 5th November at midday there will be a gathering at the Cathedral for a short service to sing, pray, remember and look forward. Followed by a shared lunch; please bring a plate.

**The Bizarre Bazaar:** The Global Mission Team are raising money to send two people from NPCBC to visit the students we sponsor in Bangladesh. On Saturday 14th November there will be a Bazaar in the hall from 9am-12.30pm. The stalls will be books, tools, cards, beads, scarves, brooches, odds and ends (trinkets), fruit & veg and white elephant. Please contribute anything in these categories and leave in the church foyer. Thanks a heap. *Jill McKillop.*

## Church Life

The Knit & Natter group is going into summer time so will meet at Norma's home on the 4th Monday of each month **only from 23 November**. The Knit & Natter group has made 17 jumpers, 43 beanies, 4 big blankets and 20 slippers to date. These are destined for Romania.

**Christian Christmas on the Landing:** Seven churches now involved. Our commitment, and for this, we are asking for EVERYONE'S help - Christmas fruit mince pies, sausage rolls, tea and coffee. Those who can, please start making, buying and freezing as many of the above as you are able - we will need hundreds! Sweets, as many as possible homemade or bought. These will be bagged and have a family Christmas message in each one. Any questions, see Eugene or Mary.

**Healing The Wounded Heart:** Upper Room Ministries of Hawera Presbyterian Centre invites all LADIES to this day. Saturday 14 November at the Hawera Presbyterian Church, 33 Argyle St from 9.30am—3 pm. To register email: [theprez.hawera@inspire.net.nz](mailto:theprez.hawera@inspire.net.nz) or phone (06) 27 80166 or visit Facebook page: Upper Room Ministries. Early bird registrations \$10 by 11 November or \$15 after this date. Crèche available.

**CAP:** Fridge/freezer urgently required. Please phone Eugene on 7583861 or 0212414707 if you can help.

**30 October - 17 November:** During the time that the Nepal team are away Anne Knox will be looking after the leadership responsibilities of the church and any pastoral matters that arise. Anne's phone number is 027 281 7323.

## Bible Thought:

**O that you would bless me and enlarge my territory. 1 Chronicles 4:10 NIV**

There can be ambition in prayer that is pleasing to God. He is not honoured when we present small requests. We should come to Him with worthy petitions. Granting them will not strain His resources.