CHURCH CALENDAR 22 - 28 JULY

Monday

10 am Bible Study (Lounge)
10 am Seedpods (Downstairs)

7.30 pm Graham Home Group (769 6372)

Tuesday

9.30 am Women in the Word Study Group7.30 pm Siraa Home Group (753 9878)

Wednesday

7 am Prayer Meeting (Lounge-Lemon St

entrance)

6 pm Private Hire (Lounge)
7.30 pm Music Practice

7.30 pm Southern Home Group (752 2126)

Thursday

6 pm Private Hire (Lounge)

7.30 pm Thursday evening service (Lounge)

Friday

10 am Seedpods (Oliver Home)

1.45 pm Mum's in Prayer

Saturday

Sunday

9 am Pre Service Prayer (Prayer Room)

9.30 am Family Service

6 pm Encore Sermon (Lounge-Lemon St

entrance)

Today:

Crèche: Beth West

Next Week:

Speaker: M Kelderman

Morning Tea: S Rajasingh & A Kelderman

Crèche: F Gill

Pastoral Prayer: F Cayzer

Bible Thoughts:

When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. Rom 5:6 CEV

God's timing is perfect. Jesus came at the exact time God required, and His Spirit comes now at just the right time for each of us. He meets us in our need in His time.

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New life in christ

Planted in the community

Continuing to grow

Becoming equipped

Commissioned to go

growing & going together



Welcome to Worship

21 July 2013

Today at NPCBC

9.30 am Family Service

Speaker: Martien Kelderman

6 p.m. Encore Sermon

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.

July Duty Elder: Andre Siraa

Thursday at NPCBC

7.30 pm Evening Service (Lounge 2)



Tel: 758 6512

Martien's Musings

On Wednesday after the prayer meeting about 7.30 am, I stood in our foyer watching people going to work. They were wrapped up warm because it was a chilly morning.

It caused me to think of all those people who do not know Christ. Yet on this day they would be meeting and greeting, working alongside and serving others. There would be contact. For most of them this would be the only contact outside of their own homes that they would have in a whole week. How are they ever to hear the gospel? And yet

Every work day in thousands of workplaces across the globe, Christians testify of God's grace in their lives in some way. Sometimes it comes through a subtle performance of their duties with a smile and peace that non-believers cannot understand. Sometimes it comes through conversation that naturally reveals and gives witness to a faith held. In other cases, there might be more visible, unexplainable examples of God's work. This was the defining difference in believers in the early Church. They lived a life followed with signs and wonders that could not be humanly explained.

The apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon's Colonnade. No one else dared join them, even though they were highly regarded by the people. Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number. (Acts 5:12-14)

How often do we hear non-believers acknowledge their respect for the Christian workplace believers, but they dare not join them in their persuasion. It is this fear of the unknown that keeps many a non-believer from belief.

Who has God placed in your path today? You are the known in the unknown of believing in God. If it is okay for you it might be okay for me. The Lord desires that each should come to knowledge of the truth so that they might be saved. As you enter the workplace this week, ask the Lord for a divine appointment that might be the turning point for a lost soul. There's no prayer the Lord will delight in more than this one. Lord Jesus Christ, please bring divine appointments across my path at work - and help me to engage with them in fruitful ways. Amen

Some of you may read this and say "that does not apply to me because I am not in employment." Well, exactly the same principle applies to my neighbour, fellow residents in a rest home or members of a club I belong to. You may be the only Christian they have ever met.

I wonder whether this is what Jesus also meant when he says in Matthew 16:19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

Grace and Peace, Martien

Church Life

Karen Pullein

We advise that Karen Pullein is on leave for the next two to three weeks following surgery last week for breast cancer. Karen will require follow up treatment in the form of chemotherapy, which will begin in September. Karen would very much appreciate your prayer support as she begins this journey to recovery. Nita Richardson is keeping in touch with Karen and will, on our behalf, coordinate support, so please feel free to ask Nita for updates. With regard to support visits we ask that you speak with Nita first as visits, while well intended, can be exhausting.

Richard West

Richard has given notice to finish his role as community pastor, effective from the end of this month. We thank Richard for his service in this role, acknowledging particularly the Fresh Perspective and the background work to bringing CAP to Central.

Congratulations to **Trisha and Duncan Welsh** on the birth of **Joshua Eli Welsh**, born Saturday 6th July at 5:26am 4.25kg (9lb 6oz).

Baptism Service to be held on the 18th August. Water baptism is a natural step for anyone wanting to commit their lives to Jesus. Anyone interested in being baptised, see Martien.

Married



The marriage course formula
= fantastic atmosphere + romantic meal for two
+ practical talks + couple discussion times
+ NO GROUP WORK!

Cost: \$100 per couple, which includes manuals (\$20) and dinner each night (payment options available).

Invite your neighbours, colleagues, friends and families.

Invitation cards available at the office.

Church Life continued.....

Faith@Home http://npcbcfaithathome.blogspot.co.nz/

One thing I don't always do well are chores. Those mundane jobs at home that seem to never end. Why not make up a chores roster. We have a circle, divided into quarters, with four jobs and each of our names on a quarter of a second inside circle that can rotate. Each week the inner wheel is rotated so that we have a different job. Have a picnic after everyone is finished (but don't mess the place up!). How is this faith at home? Teaching our children to have respect for others and property and helping is part of being a family.

Women

Working Womens' Breakfast Saturday 10th August @ 9.30am.

Alina Leigh will be sharing with us on this morning. These breakfasts are especially for women who are in employment, to meet and share together.



Please RSVP to Anne Kelderman or Joan Harding by 7th Aug.

God, Our Loving Father - tender pruning in His hands. Debbie Veale shares her story of hope. Knox Presbyterian Church, Monday 5th August, 6:30pm Dinner. \$15. See Miriam Oliver for more details. RSVP by 28 July.

Parents and Children

Toolbox Course: for The Middle years will begin at the church on Wednesday 7th August at 10am. Pre-schoolers will be looked after during the course. Contact Shirley on 759 8996 or Fay on 753 5160.

Prayer Ministry Training

Elijah House: Is offering two schools in prayer ministry training, an A School from 16 - 20 September and a B School from 30 September to 4 October. To find out more phone Nigel or Carol Weir on 758 1577 or collect registration forms from the church office. Registration closes 23 August.

Musical

Bible Society Afternoon: Come enjoy a musical afternoon with David Marshall (lead singer from the New Plymouth stage productions of Jesus Christ Superstar) on Sunday 21st July at 2 p.m. Holy Trinity Church, 8 Henui St, Fitzroy. \$10 per person at the door. There will be afternoon tea to follow. All proceeds will go towards Bible work in Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam. For more information phone Miriam Oliver on 758 0935.