

Sunday 28th April, 2019

Welcome to Windsor Park Baptist Church.

The vision statement for the Windsor Park Group is to **build stronger communities by putting our faith into action.**

If you have any questions, or need directions around our buildings, please chat to people wearing yellow lanyards or go to the Information Desk in the foyer. If you'd like someone to pray for you, please feel free to approach someone wearing a red lanyard or come to the front of the auditorium at the conclusion of services. Whether its information or prayer, we're here to serve you.

If English is not your first language, a copy of the transcript of the morning service message is usually available at the Information Desk and is available on our website or app with the audio/video of the message from Monday morning.

Our services today:

9.00am 10.45am 6.30pm

We continue our In\Visible series in the morning services by looking at another spiritual practice of keeping an 'even if' faith that keeps growing even in the face of adversity.

In the evening service we'll be hearing testimonies and witness the baptisms of 8 young people – these are always great evenings!

2019 Church Survey

At our Annual General Meeting on Sunday 14th April, Iain Bradley, the Chair of our Elders board, spoke of a survey that the Elders had put together to get feedback that will help them consider the journey we've been on as a faith community and where we're heading into the future. If you're on our database you should have received a copy of this survey last weekend. A big thanks to those who have completed it; and thanks to those who will! A hard copy of this survey is available at the Information Desk for those who don't have email, and for those who have email and haven't received it, you're obviously not on our database, so let us know your details and we can fix that!

The Pastor's Pen

Kia Ora Koutou

The Easter season is by far the busiest time of our church calendar. Not only do we pour a huge amount of effort into the creative elements of our Good Friday and Easter Sunday services, but we send hundreds of our kids away to Easter camps in Waikato that are significant times in their lives – with all the logistics that those events bring. There's not enough words to speak to thank the significant amount of people who commit their Easter to serving others; not only our staff team but around 100 volunteers as well as the dozens of people who prayed for each teenager by name over the weekend. On top of that I'm grateful to all those who financially support Windsor Park – your generosity allows all of this to happen, from the resourcing of our services to the sponsoring of kids to camps who wouldn't have gone without your sponsorship. Easter is one of those times of the year that are living proof of one of our catch lines ... we're better together.

It is God that brings this all together, so all thanks to Him for what He has done through us, what He is doing in us, and what He will continue to do through His people here at Windsor Park.

Ngā manaakitanga

Grant Harris (Senior Pastor)

Coming up / Classifieds

Tax Receipts for the year ended 31st March, 2019 are available in the foyer today and at the Church Office during the week.

Bays Youth Community Trust is a not-for-profit organization with more than 10 years' experience working with young people facing challenging life situations. They have an opening for a Team Leader. The ideal applicant will have a minimum of three years' youth work experience. Please download an application pack from www.equip.net.nz Applications close 4pm Monday 6th May.

Coming up / Classifieds

Do you love to sew? Do you love Freetest? The next Sewing Bee for Sew4Freedom will be held in the Kowhai Room on Wednesday 8th May from 9.30am – 3pm. Bring your sewing machine and join in. Morning tea provided. Come for as long or as little as you like! For further information please contact Jenny incwadinz@gmail.com

Soul Food - Women's Craft & Chat: Come along with your project and enjoy the friendship of other creative souls! Saturday 11th May, 2 – 5pm, Rimu Room. Please contact karenapark@xtra.co.nz 021 802 352 for enquiries.

Equip presents Waves: a free eight-week programme that aims to support adults aged 18 and older who have been bereaved by suicide. It will be held in May/June at the Equip office. To express your interest please contact Marina Young marina.young@equip.net.nz 021 815 412

VACANCY: Part-time Administrator: Carey's Centre for Lifelong Learning works in the area of on-going professional development of church leaders. They are looking for a part-time (15 hours/week) Administrator based in Penrose: someone great with people, with excellent communication skills, and a born organiser. Confident and competent in the use of systems and technology, flexible and versatile in your approach, and passion for the vision, mission, and values of the College. Applications close 3rd May. A full Job Description is online. lifelonglearning.nz/administrator-vacancy

Beginning Experience Grief Resolution Weekend: Widowed, Separated or Divorced? The Beginning Experience is a non-profit organization with the motto a "Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change". The retreat will help you work through your painful loss. The participants find new hope, increased emotional health and renewed energy. It will be held from 14th to 16th June, from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon. Cost \$325 or early bird price of \$295 if paid by 3rd May. Includes accommodation, meals and materials. Contact Carol evenings 021 016 90222 or Bev 298 9943. Visit www.beginningexperience.org.nz

Microwave/Fridge: Does anyone have a microwave and/or a single door fridge they would like to donate to a family in the church? If so, please let Mel know; melanie.pavis@windsorpark.org.nz