

June 28th

Greetings dear friends of Hope Whangarei.

Sadly, Howard is in hospital again with cellulitis, so please be praying for a speedy recovery.

I have recently been enjoying a series that past Minister Grahame Drummond has been doing titled "Grahame Drummond Stories". On June 19th he posted a short 7 minute talk on "**A Church and a Medical centre**" which reflects the vision for, and the faith that accompanied that to establish the Te Aroha Noa medical centre that is part of the Central business block. You might like to listen to Grahame speaking about this here:

[A church and a Medical centre - Grahame Drummonds Stories \(substack.com\)](http://substack.com)

I love how in this story a number of things came together to establish what has been for nearly 30 years now a compassionate healing ministry for Whangarei. These were: the desire and availability of two doctors; the vision of St Andrews at the time; a verse that Grahame had seen on a hospital in Manhattan; a large financial gift and the availability a building. When we are genuinely seeking God's guidance for our lives He will so often encourage us with a number of doors opening up. The Alpha Course that our church has used over many years now speaks of 5 "C S-es" of God's guidance: Commanding Scripture; Controlling Spirit; Counsel of the Saints; Circumstantial signs and Common Sense. In seeking God's guidance, often two or three will help us to discern God's way ahead.

Our church is currently seeking God's way forward in two or three areas ... The inner city chaplaincy ... the use of the Business block ... and the future of children, young people and family ministry. Will you join the Council in praying for God's guidance for these? Also, there may be something you are seeking God's guidance on in your own life.

Be assured that God will guide those who seek Him. It then takes courage and faith to step into His plans:

"11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. 12 Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. 13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart" Jeremiah 29: 11-13

May the Lord bless you as you faithfully seek the Lord.

Lorne Campbell.

[Here are the notices...](#)

Sunday Worship July 3rd: Revelation series continues

The famous preacher Dwight Moody once said: "*If God did not want us to understand the book of Revelation, He would not have given it to us at all.*" The preacher's team do hope that this series is as revealing to you as it is to the team that is preaching it? It is good to remember three things about it:

1. **Context:** It was written to certain people at a certain time in history. 2. **Genre:** it is apocalyptic – full of known pictures and visions to those to whom it was written. 3. **Relevance:** – it reminds us all that God is in control and Jesus Christ has won the victory! So ... keep following!

10:00am @ HopeTikipunga - Revelation 17 (Lorne Campbell)

9:30am @ HopeCentral - Revelation 16 (Howard Carter)

9:30am @ HopeOnerahi - Revelation 18 (Cath Bremner)

Zoom service July 3rd

The zoom service is a streaming from the 9:30am HopeCentral service.

The zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89285364673>

If you are using an app on a mobile device the meeting ID number is: **89285364673**

You can join via landline.

Please note that the process has changed. The phone number is 09 884 6780 you will need to input for the meeting

The number when Meeting ID prompted: 89285364673 followed by the # key. Then you will be asked for a further ID number or to press the # key again. Press the # hash key again. The host will ask for your name so we can put it on the computer screen so after the service people will know who you are.

After the service we will break into small groups so people can catch up, pray with each other. If you are on a landline you can unmute yourself by pressing *6. If you have someone on a landline in your group please introduce yourselves to them

Zoom Hosting

We are looking for someone to take over hosting the church zoom services. Welcoming and admitting people to our (9:30am zoom service, leading people through the PowerPoints for the service and hosting the time together after the service). It can be done from home or in the minister's office on Sundays. There is training available and support from our zoom technician, Isaac. In term three (July 24th onwards) Kris who has been hosting will be looking at developing the children's ministry on Sunday mornings with a team.

Invitation: To the memorial for Bill and Elizabeth Shanks, from Eileen and David.

If you are a person who called my parents or myself friend and would like to join us @ the Maunu cemetery for the headstone unveiling and memorial, please do; on Friday 8-7-22 at 1330 in the north meadow- 1st left hand turn into the cemetery coming from Maunu Road. area 52- (see map attached).

Madeline Dyer

Madeline (95), a long-time member of St Andrews, passed away peacefully at 1am on Sunday June 24th with her family by her side. Madeline will be remembered for her quiet faith, her warm friendship and her commitment to Tony & Judy Pearce's connect group which she attended for many years. Her funeral service will be held next Monday, July 4th at 1:30pm at Morris and Morris. There will be a notice in the Advocate this Wednesday June 29th.

Revelation 14:13 says: *"Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on."* "Yes," says the Spirit, *"they will rest from their labour, for their deeds will follow them."*

Divine healing workshops

The daily reading from ODB today was Jesus commissioning the 12 ... *"As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, [a] drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give"* Matthew 10:7, 8

There are two out of town meetings coming up for those that would really like healing and also for others to learn more about healing and have greater confidence in ministering to the suffering:

- **Saturday July 9th in Dargaville: 9am -5pm: Free Admission.** Run by Rev Brian France

- **Saturday August 13th in Auckland. 9am-4pm: Cost not yet known!** Run by Chris Gore – you can hear him speak here on his vision: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-CIBZ8lyBto>

If you are at all interested in joining Lorne going to these events, please contact him ASAP! We can go in the Parish minibus which the church will cover petrol costs.

Lorne Campbell: ph. 021 1356275 or email me lorne@hopewhangarei.nz

Tikipunga Challenge Wednesday 13th July 10am

Knitted beanies, scarves, booties, slippers, blankets or whatever takes your fancy. All items will be delivered to “Family Works” (part of Presbyterian Support), based in Mair Street. Enquires to Helen McGregor

The Alpha Course ... is there anyone out there?

As you may know, Alpha is a gift to the church to assist us in our calling to be obedient to the Lord’s command to make disciples. It is an 11 week journey of exploring Christianity and is designed for those who are not Christian.

Over the past many years, Alpha has been run through our church and a significant number of people have come to faith, been baptised and joined the church.

Is there anyone out there who has:

1. A friend you would like to invite to come and explore Christianity on Alpha beginning sometime in late July (term 3)?

2. Would like to serve on a team to help run Alpha in term 3?

An Alpha Course can be small and run in a home ... or bigger and run at church ... or in a rest home ... or a school ... etc. etc.

Please would you let me know as soon as possible if you would like to be involved in any way.

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Concluding blessing:

In anxiety may you find His peace
In sadness may you find His comfort
In sickness may you find His healing presence
In loneliness may you find His everlasting company
In busyness may you find His rest
In listening may you receive His wisdom
In following may you always find His guidance and hope
All of these - In the One who meets all our needs
Who says, ‘Ask and you will receive.’

God bless you all.

Rev Lorne Campbell

ASSOCIATE MINISTER HOPEWHANGĀREI