Dear brothers and sisters,

A couple of people recently have asked me about those who serve the church on a governance level both at Council level and at Board of Manager's level. Council provides for governance, spiritual oversight, and pastoral care of its members. The Council also has leadership in mission to the wider community and responsibility for the management of its finances and property. The Board of Managers provides the day-to-day management, of finances and property, and reporting to the Council.

I thought the best way to share information would be to include the recent brochure which was produced for our Newcomers lunch in August. It not only lists those involved in that level of leadership but gives a good overview of ministries in the Church. Attached also is an insert list of Connect groups for those who are looking for groups to belong to. The brochure is available in the church foyer at each of our sites. If you spot someone new you may wish to place it in their hands.

Thank you to the people who have talked to me about making our leadership more visible.

Here are the notices.

Worship Sunday September 1st

Come and join us for worship at one of our three sites this week, as we continue our journey through the Gospel according to Mark. Each site has its own feel and style, but you will receive a warm welcome and be encouraged to encounter the presence of God amidst sung worship, prayer, scripture reading and expository preaching.

10:00am @ HopeTikipunga -Mark 10:32-45 (Howard Carter) 9:30am @ HopeCentral - Mark 10: 46-52 (Lorne Campbell) 9:30am @ HopeOnerahi - Mark 11: 12-25 (Billie Portch)

Zoom service September 1st 9:30am

The zoom service will be the 9:30am service from HopeCentral. Here is the link for the service <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83429062440</u>

If you are using the zoom app on a mobile device or smart phone the Meeting ID is 83429062440 If you are joining by landline, dial 09 8846780 and follow the Instructions, again the meeting ID is 83429062440. There is a waiting room and then our host will let you into the live stream.

Space: The relaxed time of Praise and Worship at Hope HopeCentral lounge 7-8pm

Come and join us for a relaxed time of praise and worship, prayer and reflection this Sunday evening at HopeCentral lounge.

This week we will be using video for our worship time (as our musicians take a break) but that sort of fits our Space style of bring relaxed. Bring a scripture that God has been using to speak to you recently along to share with those who gather.

Staff Matters

Pauline is on holiday from 18th August to 3rd September. She will be away at Paihia on Sunday September 8th, taking the service at Bay of Island's Cooperating parish...

Lorne Campbell is away on annual leave from Monday September 2nd through Saturday September 7th.

Howard Carter will be away at a one-day conference in Auckland on Wednesday September 4th.

Staff Hours

A reminder of our staff *non days of work*

Howard-Monday; Karen – Monday; Lorne - Thursday, Friday Pauline; - Monday (off), Thursday afternoon and Friday (study days)

Connected through Hope Women's Morning Tea THIS SATURDAY August 31st 10-11:30am HopeCentral Hall...

A warm invitation to this women's morning tea on August 31st. the theme this time is 'who am I?" ... as well as a wonderful morning tea there will be an 'on the sofa panel discussion with 'Ladies of Hope' sharing their experiences of God's goodness and grace and connections with one another in our Hope setting. Contact Glenys Currie 027 3091907 or Jenny Forbes 021 1498246.

Father's Day @MainlyMusic



The Mainly Music team is planning to make Father's Day gift packages of home-made biscuits. (Chocolate chip, Afghans or similar.) **We are wondering if some kind people would like to help us.** We would require these by Tuesday the 27th of August. Could you please phone Glenys Currie 027 3091907 if you are able to help. Thank You.

Mission in our Communities

We are making welcome packs for new residents in the Kainga Ora facility in Wanaka Street. Bring donations of these items or make a \$25 donation. On-line banking or in envelope with **ref.** WANAKA. Bank Account: Hope Whangarei 020492-0208093-00



It was exciting to see the first twenty welcome packs made up and ready for the official opening of the Wanaka St development on September 12th. Pauline and the team met with representatives of Kainga Ora as well... Who are so grateful for the efforts of Hope in this matter.



Alpha Marriage Course

We will be running the *Alpha Marriage Course* here at HopeWhangarei in the fourth term this year. The Alpha Marriage course is a six-week course designed to help couples strengthen their relationship. **Tentatively we are looking at a Tuesday Evening 7pm- 9pm staring on October 15**th. One of the good

things about this course is that it is not about talking about your relationship with others rather its 'time and space to focus on your relationship' an intentional date night

We would also be looking for a few people to join us to help run this course... Relax we are not looking for people to do the upfront teaching (that is done by video) but people who can help with set up and behind the scenes. Contact <u>howard@hopewhangarei.nz</u>

Hannah Jansen and a short term mission trip to Taiwan

Hannah Jansen is part of our Church family here at Hope, she is in her first year at University in Otago and is involved with Student Life, a Christian group involved in campus ministry in New Zealand and around the world. She is looking to go with them on a short term mission trip over the summer break and is looking for support. Both prayer and financial. Here is a quick note from Hannah.

Kia ora whanau - hello family,

This summer I have the privilege of being part of a Student Life mission trip to Taiwan! I would love to share with you all a bit about it and invite you to partner with me.

This year, as many of you know, I'm first year in a BA at Otago. Since the beginning of the year I've been involved with a Christian group on campus called Student Life (part of Tandem ministries and descended from Campus Crusade for Christ). Being involved has given me the opportunity to share the gospel, challenge people to think deeply about God, and care for students spiritually at a pivotal time in our lives.

At the Student Life winter conference, I was challenged by the global need for the gospel, and to take the opportunity to contribute to that. I applied for their mission project to Taiwan and got accepted! I'm excited to help invite uni students in Taiwan to know Jesus, and help encourage the few Christians there.

Taiwan is open to the gospel but only 3% of the people are Christian right now. The nation is in the heart of Asia, and Student Life's long term vision is God raising up gospel labourers there who can reach the rest of Asia with the hope of Christ. The Student Life NZ team will be on campus reaching out and connecting students we meet with the local ministry.

For me to go to Taiwan I need to raise \$7000 by the 28th of October (for flights, accommodation, food, training, insurance, etc). The best way to do this is to find a team of supporters who love God and are excited about this mission to the lost in Taiwan. I'm looking for people who will invest \$50-500 (but any amount would be deeply appreciated). Student Life is a not-for-profit eligible for the IRD tax return.

If you would like to know more, please email me at <u>21hanzoh@gmail.com</u> or text 022 313 3252 and we can find a time to chat. If you would like to pray for me, please also let me know and I can keep you updated. If you would like to partner with me financially, please visit <u>Student Life |</u> <u>Taiwan 2024</u>. I am very grateful for your interest at any of these levels!

Blessings,

Hannah

Ben Butler... Peoples choice in One Day film challenge.

Ben Butler (Lin Bachinger's grandson) is one of our Boys Brigade leaders, we sent off to a leadership camp over the last school holidays and he reported back about it at a service at central a couple of weeks ago. Ben has produced a film in the One day film challenge. The film is called 'drowned out', it is a silent movie based on the experience of one of ben's classmates who is deaf.

Here is a link if you would like to watch the movie. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v1rc6ml8zjs&t=2s

You can also vote for it in 'the peoples choice award' by following this link. https://dofilm.co.nz/updates/peoples-choice-round-one/

Blessing

""The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

Mā Ihowā koe e manaaki, māna koe e tiaki: Mā Ihowā e mea kia tiaho tōna mata ki a koe, māna ano hoki koe e atawhai: Mā Ihowā tōna kanohi e whakaara ki a koe, māna anō e tuku te rangimārie ki a koe.

Howard Carter SENIOR**MINISTER** HOPEWHANGAREI August 27th 2024

Ps:- just enough space to put in a photo from this Monday. A Caspian Tern Taranui yawning out at McLeod's Bay domain.

