

Joy Ministries (NZ) Central/West [and East] Auckland NEWS!!!



This is to let you know when our next meeting is.

If **YOU** aren't there,
then part of **OUR GROUP** is missing,
and it's not as much fun!

WEBSITES: <https://elevatecdt.org.nz/joy-ministries/>
<https://www.facebook.com/JoyMinistriesNZ2017/>
<http://elevatecdt.org.nz/joy-ministries/blog/>
[where you can see our **monthly Notice**]

WHEN: This month – **11th August 2019**

TIME: 2pm to 3:30pm

WHERE: Church of the Saviour
Anglican Church,
at the Blockhouse Bay
roundabout.



In the **HALL underneath**. Wheelchair-friendly access is down the ramp, on the **Kinross Street** side of the building, where there is **plenty of parking**.



God bless you all,
Pastor Jan Bridgeman
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[The leader of **Joy Ministries Central / West Auckland, and East Auckland**]

+++++ **Joy Ministries CENTRAL/WEST AUCKLAND services for 2019** +++++
(usually **2nd Sunday** of each month, February to November)
8 September, 13 October, 10 November (the last service for 2019, a special service)

+++++ **Joy Ministries EAST AUCKLAND services for 2019** +++++
(**4 times a year**, usually **4th Saturday** of the month)
24 August [confirmed with St Columba], 23 November [confirmed with St Columba] (the last service for 2019, a Special Service)

WHERE: St Columba Presbyterian Church
ADDRESS: 480 Ti Rakau Drive, Botany, East Auckland
(next to the Ice Skating Rink)
TIME: 10:00am–10:30am, for Morning Tea (**\$2 per person**)
SERVICE: 10:30am–11:15am [NO "Crafts"]

LEADER: **Jan Bridgeman**
Mobile: **027.641.2653**
Email: jandkbridgeman@hotmail.com

+++++ **Joy Ministries SOUTH AUCKLAND "HOME GROUP" for 2019** +++++
(Usually **3rd Sunday** of each month, February to November)
18 August, 15 September, 20 October, 17 November [final for 2019]

WHERE: Home of **Margaret and Jeanine Gane**
ADDRESS: 1/9A Albert Street, Papakura, Auckland 2110

TIME: 2pm–4pm [Please bring a **SMALL** plate of food to share for afternoon tea.]
LEADER: **Margaret Gane**

Phone **Jeanine**, if you can't come,
299 – 6285

"We are looking forward to seeing you all again and catching up with all your news, and in particular, what the Lord has been doing in your lives."



+++++ **PROMISES OF GOD** +++++

Last year, at the "2018 Joy Ministries National Camp" at Matamata, we looked at some of the **PROMISES OF GOD**, in "The Bible". This year, we are looking at more of them.

- 10 March, **He will never leave me** (Hebrews 13:5)
- 14 April, **He will supply our needs** (Philippians 4:19)
- 12 May, **He hears us** (Revelation 3:20)
- 9 June, **He will comfort us** (Psalm 23:4)
- 14 July, **Promise of the Holy Spirit** (John 14:14-17)
- 11 August, **He will keep you safe** (Isaiah 41:13)
- 8 September, **He will guide us** (Proverbs 3: 5-8)
- 13 October, **He will forgive** (1 John 1:9)

+++++ **Joy Ministries website** +++++

It is part of the "ELEVATE Christian Disability Trust" website, <https://elevatecdt.org.nz/joy-ministries/>

+++++ **9th June 2019 Central/West Auckland service** +++++



Michael Stoneham will speak on God's promise: **He will keep you safe** (Isaiah 41:13).

Michael and Kim Jameson will then lead the Communion.



For I am the LORD, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear, I will help you.



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+++++ **AUCKLAND services and EVENTS for 2019** +++++

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| Sunday | 11 AUG | CENTRAL/WEST |
| Sunday | 18 AUG | SOUTH |
| Wed | 20 AUG | "ELEVATE" National Labour weekend camp [last day for "Earlybird Discount", if paid in full] |
| Saturday | 24 AUG | EAST [confirmed with St Columba] |
| Sunday | 8 SEP | CENTRAL/WEST |
| Sunday | 15 SEP | SOUTH |
| Fri | 20 SEP | "ELEVATE" National Labour weekend camp [Registrations Close] |
| Sunday | 13 OCT | CENTRAL/WEST |
| Sunday | 20 OCT | SOUTH |
| Fri-Mon | 25-28 OCT | "ELEVATE" National Labour weekend camp |
| Sunday | 10 NOV | CENTRAL/WEST (final for 2019) |
| Saturday | 16 NOV | 2nd "Auckland-wide Joy Ministries" DISCO |
| Sunday | 17 NOV | SOUTH (final for 2019) |
| Saturday | 23 NOV | EAST (final for 2019) [confirmed] |
| 2020 | | |
| Fri-Sun | 15-17 MAY | "Joy Ministries" NATIONAL CAMP |

+++++ **[ELEVATE] "The Encourager", no.163, June 2019** +++++

The latest edition is now available.

Either pick up a Copy from the **ELEVATE "National Support Office"** at Onehunga, Auckland [173 Mt Smart Rd]; [phone (09) 63-64-7-63]

OR download it from the "ELEVATE" website, <https://elevatecdt.org.nz/resources/encourager-magazine/>

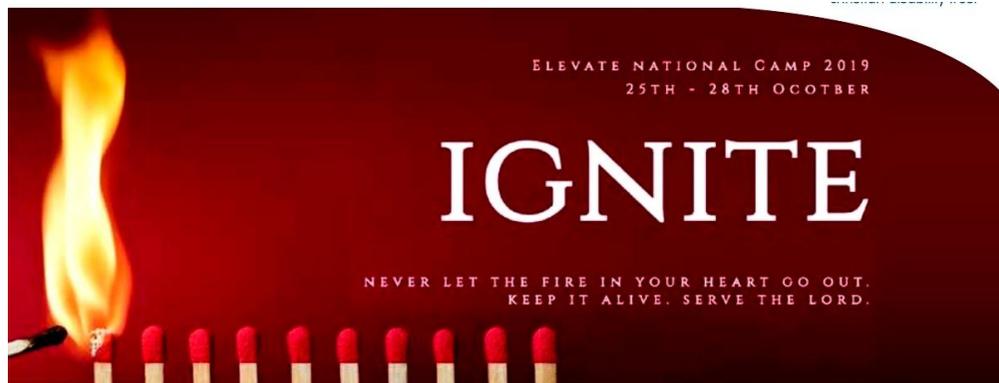
"It's the most Christian magazine I have ever seen." [Dr John McEwan]



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+++++ ELEVATE 2019 National Camp +++++

+++++ Friday 25 to Monday 28 October +++++



For full details:

- See the **June 2019** issue of "The Encourager" magazine
- **OR** the **ELEVATE** website, <https://elevatecdtcamp.org.nz/>
- **OR** email, nationalcamp@elevatecdt.org.nz
- **OR** get an "Application Form" from the **ELEVATE "National Support Office"** at Onehunga, Auckland [**173 Mt Smart Rd**]
- **OR** phone **(09) 636-4763**

- **NOTE: 30 maximum** are accepted for the "Joy Ministries" Option [as we have our own "JM National Camp"]

- **NOTE:** There is an "Early Bird" Discount (if paid in full before the 20th August 2019)
- **Registration** and **Payment** can be "online", <https://elevatecdtcamp.org.nz/registration-payment/>

- **Last day to REGISTER: Wednesday 20 September 2019**

- **Elevate National Camp Helpers Course**, <https://elevatecdtcamp.org.nz/courses/elevate-national-camp-helpers-course/>

- **Register for Courses** [password needed], <https://elevatecdtcamp.org.nz/register-for-courses/>

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+++++ Saturday, 16 November 2019 +++++

There is going to be a **2nd Auckland-wide Joy Ministries "FUNDRAISING DISCO"**, for the **BUS** from **Auckland**, to the **"2020 Joy Ministries National Camp"**. [More info soon.]

+++++ National Camp 2020 [25th Anniversary] +++++

<https://www.facebook.com/events/642714502729837/>

WHEN: 18:00 [6pm] 15 May, to
13:00 [1pm] 17 May

WHERE: [Totara Springs Christian Centre](#)
[288C Taihoa North Road, Matamata, New Zealand 3473]

THEME: "The Names of Jesus"

SPEAKER: Russell Hohneck

EMAIL: jmcamps@elevatecdt.org.nz



+++++ Last month's service +++++

A couple of photos of the 13 July 2019 "Joy Ministries Central/West Auckland" monthly service.

18 – 27 come, most regularly, with some new people coming recently.



+++++ **Joan Mae Torres** +++++



Joy Ministries Auckland [the **Central/West, East, and South** groups] **SPONSORS Joan Mae Torres**, who is part of **Philippines CFFD** [Christian Fellowship for Disabled].

This photo of **Joan** was taken in May 2018.

From **1st July 2019**, the "**IRD**" [Inland Revenue Department] now allows any donation of **\$5 or more** to the **Philippines CFFD** to be claimed in your **Income Tax Return**.

If you would like to make a **donation** directly for **Joan** of **\$5 or more**, at the "**Joy Ministries**" service, please let the Leaders know. We will now give you an "**Elevate Christian Disability Trust**" **receipt**. [This is separate to the usual **Offering**.]

+++++ **Community Post envelopes** +++++

"**Joy Ministries Auckland**" is grateful for the "**New Zealand Post**" **FREE Community Post envelopes**, to help use the money we receive wisely.



+++++ **NEW or CHANGED email address?** +++++

If you have a **new** email address, or **changed it**, please let **Jan Bridgeman** know. Thanks. [Thanks so much to 3 people who let us know, who changed their email address in the past month.]



+++++ **Vicar, Sarah Patten** +++++

All of us at "**Joy Ministries Central/West Auckland**" wishes **Sarah** and her family well, as she takes on her new role. She is moving from "**Church of the Saviour**" [**COTS**], where we meet for our monthly services, to the United Kingdom [UK].



[From **Sarah**]: "Well the **Patten family** are on the move, we're heading to Southwell near Nottingham in the **UK**, as I have a new role in the Diocese there on the **training team**. We should be arriving sometime towards the end of August [this month]. It's going to be really sad to leave **COTS** and **NZ**, but new challenges await, and we're looking forward to reconnecting with family and friends." [**Sarah** is from the UK.]

Those who go to "**Auckland CFFD**" [**Christian Fellowship for Disabled**] first met **Sarah**, when she was single, she and partner **dancing Ceroc**, at an Event, when **CFFD** used to meet at the "**Greyfriars Mt Eden Presbyterian Church**" Memorial Hall.

For the past few years, I [**Malcolm Dixon**] have been "**Santa**" for **Sarah**, at the annual Blockhouse Bay Business Association "**Christmas at the Beach**" [here on a "V8 Trike-Bike"].



+++++++ THE "GOD SPOT" +++++++

+++++++ Proverbs 3:5-6 +++++++

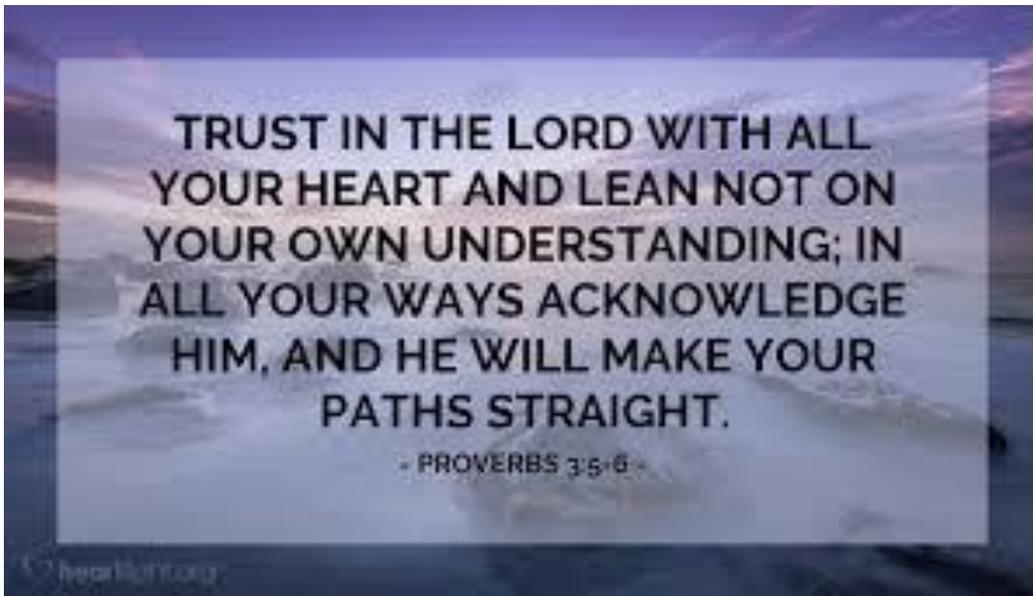
Each month, we have been looking at another of "God's Promises" in the Bible.

Proverbs 3:5-6 is the "Vision Verse" of "Joy Ministries (NZ)", when it began 24 years ago.

Many of "God's Promises" in "The Bible" are straight Promises. Some have conditions attached [something we need to do].

These 2 verses has 3 things we need to do, for God to do what only God can do, "and He will make [our] paths straight":

- [1] "Trust in the Lord with all [our] heart";
- [2] "Lean not on [our] own understanding"; and
- [3] "In all [our] ways acknowledge Him".



In January, I [Malcolm Dixon] was in Otaki for a month long retreat, at one of my sisters and husband's place.

One day, a friend of theirs came to visit. He said to me: "Tell me something I will never forget". [I really struggled with that, as I knew in my heart he wouldn't remember anything I said.]

Then God reminded me of a couple of Bible verses I had read the day before, which I had picked up "at random", from their bookshelf. [God planned it, though, didn't He!]

So I picked up "The Message" paraphrase of "The Bible" again, and read it to him.

"Trust GOD from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for GOD's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; He's the one who will keep you on track."

~ Proverbs 3:5-6, The Message (MSG)

2 Kings 20:19 says: "So Hezekiah said to Isaiah, 'The word of the Lord which you have spoken is good!'..."

Isn't it far better to share from "God's Word" [than our own opinion, which they're going to quickly forget]?

I trust you, Christian, are reading "The Bible" regularly, letting God speak to you through it, and letting Him "keep you on track".