

Joy Ministries (NZ)
Central/West [East, and South]
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://elevated.org.nz/joy-ministries/>
<https://www.facebook.com/JoyMinistriesNZ2017/>
<http://elevated.org.nz/joy-ministries/blog/>
 [where you can see our **monthly Notice**]

WHEN: This month – **Sunday, 13th May 2018 [Mother's Day]**

TIME: 2pm to 3:30pm

WHERE: At Church of the Saviour
 Anglican Church, at the
 Blockhouse Bay
 roundabout, in the hall
 underneath.



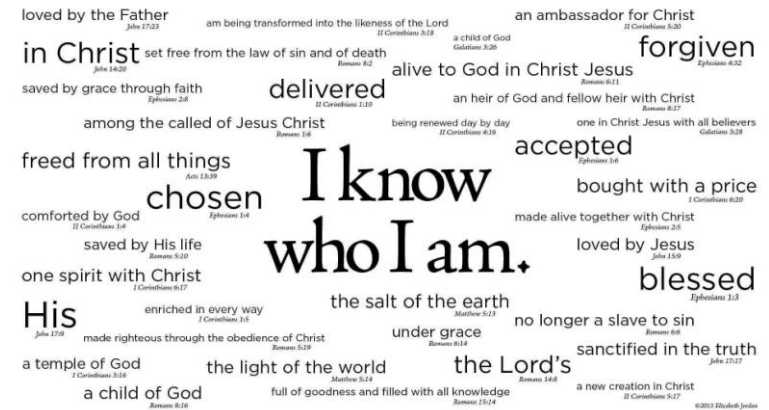
Wheelchair-friendly access is down the ramp, on the **Kinross Street** side of the building, where there is **plenty of parking**.



God bless you all,
Pastor Jan Bridgeman
Mobile number, 027.641.2653
Email: jandkbridgeman@hotmail.com

[The leader of **Joy Ministries Central/West Auckland**, and **East Auckland**]

+++++++ **Theme for 2018: "Who does God say who I am?"** ++++++++
 This year, at the end of each Joy Ministries service, **prayer is available**, if you would like it.

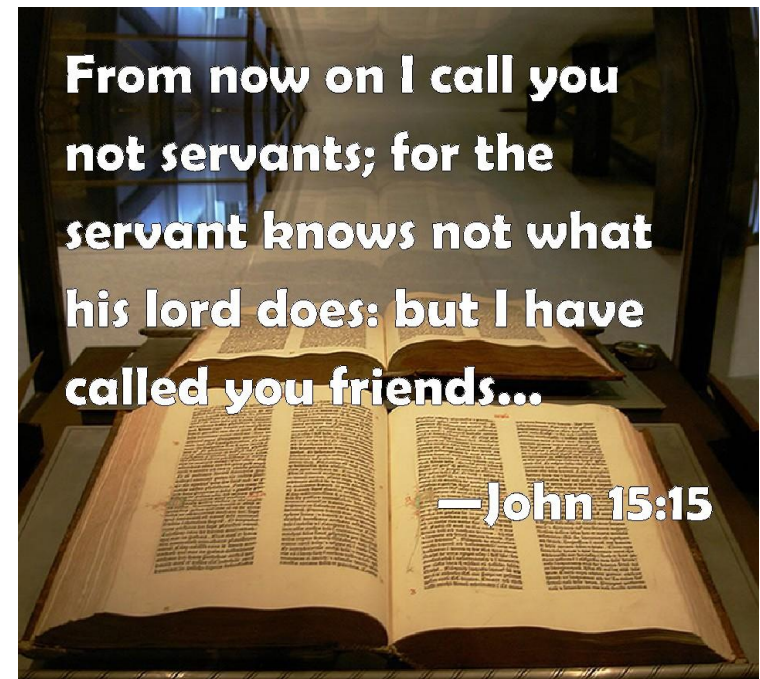


11 March, **Jan Bridgeman** spoke on:
"I am a child of God" (John 1:12).

8 April, **Malcolm Dixon** spoke on:
"As a child of God I am an heir" (Romans 8:17).

This month,
Michael Stoneham is speaking on:
"I am a friend of Jesus" (John 15:15).

[Then he and **Kim Jameson** are leading Communion.]



+++++ **Joy Ministries CENTRAL/WEST AUCKLAND services for 2018** +++++
(Usually 2nd Sunday of each month, February to November)
10 June, 8 July, 12 August, 9 September, 14 October, 11 November [the last service for 2018, a special service].

+++++ **Joy Ministries EAST AUCKLAND services for 2018** +++++
(Now only 4 times a year, last Saturday of each month)
23 June, 29 September, 24 November (the last service for 2018, a Special Service)

WHERE: St Columba Presbyterian Church
ADDRESS: 480 Ti Rakau Drive, Botany, East Auckland
(next to the Ice Skating Rink)
TIME: 10:15am–10:45am, for Morning Tea (**\$2 per person**)
SERVICE: 10:45am–11:30am (including Singing, Sharing, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Offering, and Message)
[NO "Crafts"]
LEADER: Jan Bridgeman

+++++ **Joy Ministries SOUTH AUCKLAND "HOME GROUP" for 2018** +++++
(Usually 3rd Sunday of each month, February to November)
WHERE: Home of **Margaret and Jeanine Gane**
ADDRESS: 1/9A Albert Street, Papakura, Auckland 2110
LEADER: Margaret Gane

MORE INFO: email margaret_gane@yahoo.com.au
PHONE: 299 – 6285 [OR: Jeanine, mob. 027.528.4610]

TIME: 2pm–4pm

DATES: May [NO meeting], 17 June, 15 July, 19 August, 16 September, 14 or 28 October [2nd or 4th Sunday], 18 November [final for 2018]



+++++ **Joy Ministries 2018 National Camp** +++++
Please PRAY for those who are going to this Camp.

DATE: 18-20 May 2018 (Friday night, to Sunday afternoon)
WHERE: Totara Springs Christian Camp, Matamata
THEME: "Promises of God"



Joy Ministries (NZ) Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/JoyMinistriesNZ2017/>

+++++ **"The Encourager", March 2018 edition** +++++

It is now available from **"ELEVATE"** [173 Mt Smart Rd, Onehunga] during the School Term [ph. 63-64-7-63].

OR: At the Joy Ministries service.

OR: You can download it from this "link"
<https://elevatecdt.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/ENCOURAGER-158.pdf>



+++++ **SAVE THE DATE: Auckland-wide Joy Ministries DISCO** +++++

[Initial info. Final details and FLYER to come]

THEME: [to be decided]
WHEN: 7pm–9pm, Saturday, 11th August 2018
WHERE: Ranfurly Care Society Hall, 56 Ranfurly Rd, Epsom
COST: \$5 (including Caregivers)
THIS IS AN ALCOHOL-FREE EVENT
HOSTS: Auckland Joy Ministries Leadership Team

+++++++ **Anne Haverfield, CONTACT PERSON** ++++++

When **Jan Bridgeman** is overseas, for 2 months [**1 June, to 5 August, 2018**], **Anne Haverfield** will be the CONTACT PERSON again, for **Auckland Joy Ministries**.



Anne Haverfield

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+++++ **"Disability Awareness Sunday" [3rd Sunday in June]** +++++

This year, it is on **17 June 2018**.

In New Zealand, **Disability Awareness Sunday (DAS)** is observed on the third Sunday in June.

It is an opportunity to be **intentional** about disability awareness and is a great way to **educate your Church**.

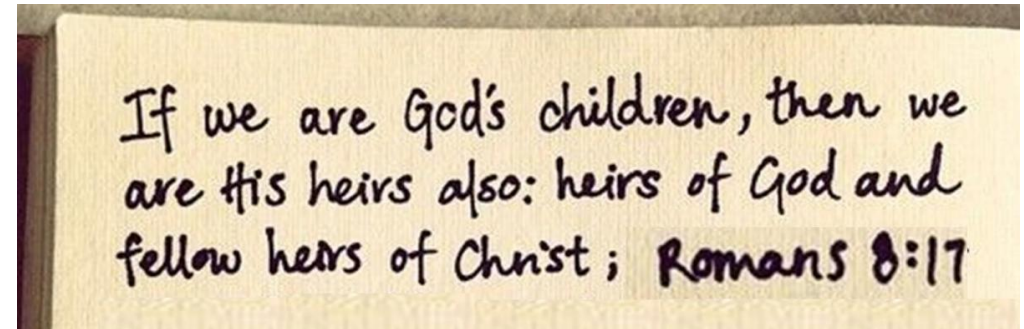
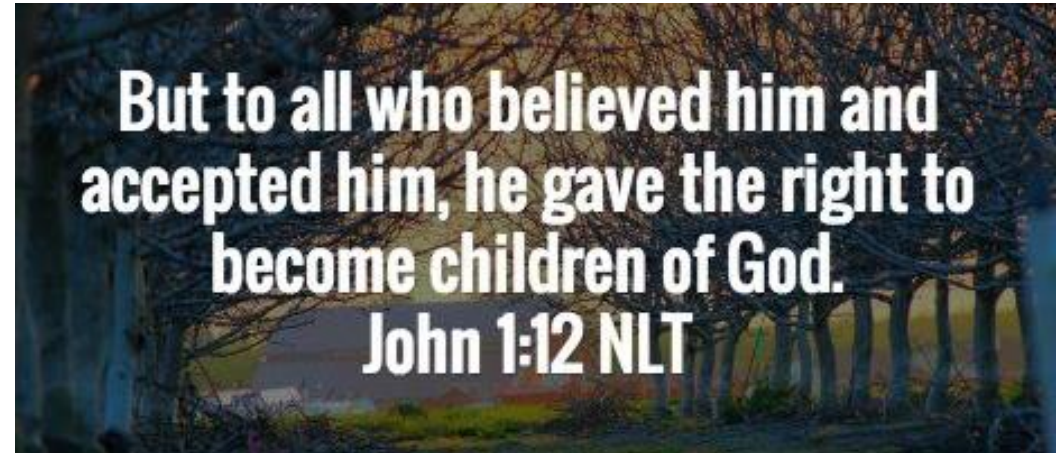
It is not just about raising awareness, but **celebrating** and **encouraging** people with disabilities in their **gifts** and **ministries**.



+++++++ **"Thinking Aloud" ["Thinking Allowed"]** ++++++

This year, we are looking at **"Who does God say who I am?"**

The previous 2 months, we have looked at these 2 Bible verses:



After I [**Malcolm Dixon**] spoke on **Romans 8:17**, and what we receive from God, as an HEIR, **Val O'Gorman** said to me:

"But it's all about RELATIONSHIP".

Over the past month, I have done a total re-think.



It's about a **RELATIONSHIP** that's been restored ... between God and mankind, made possible by what Jesus did on the cross. That fellowship was broken in "**The Garden of Eden**", when the "**Forbidden Fruit**" was eaten by Adam and Eve [read it in **Genesis 3:1-24**].

It's interesting how many times I have come across this, in my regular Bible reading ["Quiet Time"].

John 10 is titled: "**The Good Shepherd and His Sheep**".

John 10: 2-5 [NLT]: [2] But the one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. **[3]** The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and **the sheep recognize his voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep by name** and leads them out. **[4]** After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him **because they know his voice.** **[5]** They won't follow a stranger; they will run from him because they don't know his voice."

John 10:14: "I am the Good Shepherd; **I know My own sheep, and they know Me,**

John 10:16: I have other sheep, too, that are not in this sheepfold. I must bring them also. **They will listen to My voice,** and there will be one flock with one Shepherd.

John 10:26-27: [26] But you don't believe Me because you are not My sheep. **[27]** My sheep **listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me.**

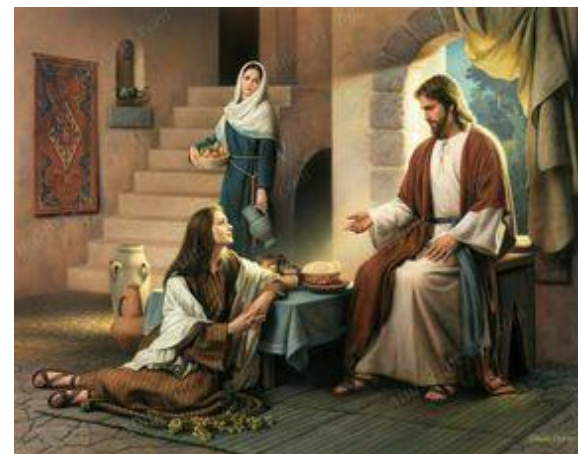
Jesus gives hard words in **Matthew 7:21-23 [NLT]:**

[21] "Not everyone who calls out to Me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. **Only those who actually do the will of My Father in heaven will enter.** **[22]** On judgment day many will say to Me, 'Lord! Lord! We prophesied in Your Name and cast out demons in Your Name and performed many miracles in Your Name.' **[23]** But I will reply, '**I never knew you.** Get away from me, you who break God's laws.'

Jesus Visits Martha and Mary

Luke 10:38-42 (NLT): [38] As Jesus and the disciples continued on their way to Jerusalem, they came to a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her home. **[39]** Her sister, **Mary, sat at the Lord's feet, listening to what He taught.** **[40]** But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing. She came to Jesus and said, "Lord, doesn't it seem unfair to You that my sister **just sits here** while I do all the work? Tell her to come and help me."

[41] But the Lord said to her, "My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these details! **[42]** **There is only one thing worth being concerned about. Mary has discovered it, and it will not be taken away from her."**



It is so simple what God calls us to do [in this picture]:

How do we get to know God?

- Choose a quiet place
- Sit in His presence
- Read The Bible regularly ["His Living Word" to us] ... especially the words of Jesus [Matthew, Mark, Luke, John]
- Pray regularly [mostly listening to God]
- Worshipping God
- Doing what He tells us to do



+++++ A SPECIAL THANKYOU +++++

+++++ Sunday, 13 May 2018 +++++

To all our **Mothers, Grandmothers,**
and those **Ladies** who mentor/disciple/encourage others –

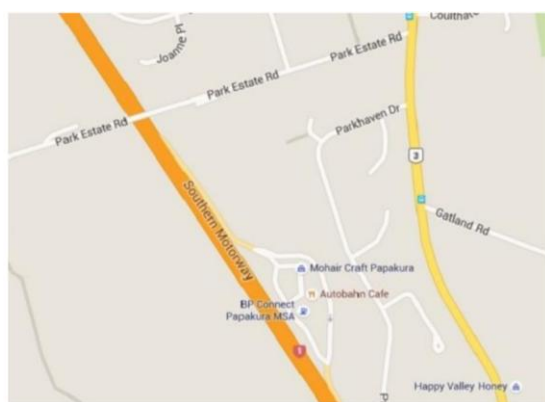
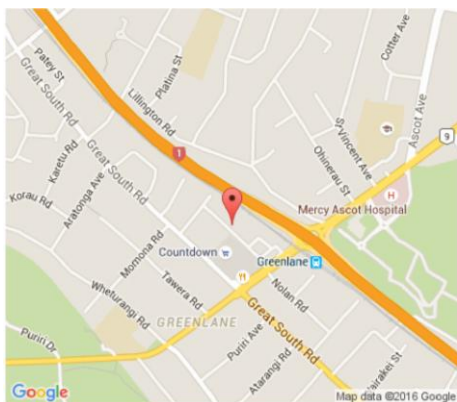
we honour you.



+++++ The 2 BUS pick up places +++++

Greenlane Christian Centre

BP COMPLEX at Drury



+++++ BUS from Auckland, to CAMP +++++



Kiwi Coaches

WHEN: Friday, 18 May 2018

WHERE: In the carpark, at **Greenlane Christian Centre [GCC]**, 17 Marewa Road, Greenlane [behind "McDonald's" and "Countdown"]

TIME: Please be there early [take a half day off, or all of Friday off, if necessary], for your **NAME** to be checked off the list, and to make sure all your **LUGGAGE** is labelled

BUS MONITORS: Michael Stoneham, and Anne Haverfield

BUS ARRIVES: 3:00pm [to load Luggage and People on]

BUS LEAVES: 3:30pm [to go on the Southern Motorway]

ONE OTHER PICK UP PLACE:

The **BUS** will only **STOP ONCE**, at the **BP COMPLEX**, on the Southern Motorway, at Drury [arriving **about 4:15pm**]

TRAVEL TIME: about 3 hours [At **GCC** Sunday? About 6pm; possibly earlier. Be prepared]

