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!



JOY MINISTRIES Celebrating 21 years of JM in NZ - 2016

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 - Sunday, 10th March 2019

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] +++++ Joy Ministries CENTRAL/WEST AUCKLAND services for 2019 +++++ (usually 2nd Sunday of each month, February to November) 14 April, 12 May [Mother's Day], 9 June, 14 July, 11 August, 8 September, 13 October, 10 November (the last service for 2019, a special service)

++++++ Joy Ministries SOUTH AUCKLAND "HOME GROUP" for 2019 +++++ (Usually 3rd Sunday of each month, February to November)
17 March, 14 April [as 21st is Easter Sunday], 19 May, 16 June, 21 July, 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 <u>TIME</u>: 2pm-4pm [Please bring a SMALL plate of food to share for afternoon tea.] <u>LEADER</u>: 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."



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)
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We had a **"Special Guest"**, at the final service for 2018 (Sunday, 14th November).



At the final service for 2018 (Saturday, 24th November), we farewelled **Kay Campbell**, who had served faithfully in the Kitchen for 23 years, preparing the **MORNING TEAS** over the years, with **Marjorie McIntosh**. We warmly welcome **Samantha Pieters** as a new Helper in the Kitchen, and **Nathan Steyn** as our new Projectionist. We also had a "Special Guest".



L to R: Jan Bridgeman, Marjorie McIntosh, Samantha Pieters, Kay Campbell



Rohini Singh [L] presented Kay Campbell with a present.

A "Special Guest" also came to the Auckland HELPERS DINNER, at the Alexandra Park Raceway, December last year.



This has become a **TRADITION**, of **Joy Ministries Central/West Auckland** starting the year in this way [2nd Sunday in February].





Michael Stoneham leading the singing.



"I want to be a sheep, baa, baa, baa."

Another **TRADITION** is **Watermelon**. Thanks so much, **Anne Haverfield**, for this.

Jan Bridgeman will speak on God's promise: **He will never leave me** (Hebrews 13:5). Then **Anne Haverfield** will lead the Communion.



This was the theme of last year's (2018) **"Elevate Christian Disability Trust"** Labour weekend camp.

I [**Malcolm Dixon**] was at the **FGBMFI Mt Albert** [Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International] February 2019 monthly "open dinner meeting" (for men and women).

I was sitting at the table with a family who I had not met before. The daughter was sharing stuff with me that was out of the ordinary. When heard they go to a certain Church, I fobbed her off, saying "Talk to your Senior Pastor, about it".

Shortly after, my heart got really stirred, and my spirit distressed, about what she had shared. God said to me: **"No, you feed her"** [not the "official" FGBMFI Prayer Team].



This is what Jesus said to His disciples, at what we know as **"The feeding of the 5000"**. [This can be read in all 4 Gospels ... **Matthew 14:13–21**; **Mark 6:31–44**; **Luke 9:12–17**; and **John 6:1–14**.]

Jesus had been speaking to the crowd all day. At the end of the long day, Jesus' disciples came to Him saying: **"This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so that they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food"**.

Jesus replied: "They do not need to go away. <u>You give them</u> something to eat".

I was reminded of what **Pastor David Hogg** had encouraged me with these words from The Bible years ago, when he visited me in a Psychiatric Hospital ... **Joel 2:25** ... **"I will restore to you the former years that the locusts, the cankerworm, the caterpillar, and the palmerworm have eaten"**.

I turned to her, saying: "Can I encourage you what has been an encouragement to me?" I shared **Joel 2:25** with her ... and also of God wanting an intimate relationship with her, that is spoken about in The Bible. She burst into tears. She kept turning to her Mum. Her Mum wisely said: "He's talking to you".

Keep asking the questions: "God, what are You doing?", and "God, what are you wanting me to do?"