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Kia ora tātou,

Questions for all New Zealand churches

New Zealand Christian Network suggests that the growing public scrutiny of churches raises important broader questions for all New Zealand churches – irrespective of their denomination, size, style, ethnicity or location.

Questions like...

- How can our churches become thoroughly biblical, not just in our teaching and preaching, but also in our values, practices, and our life together?
- How can our churches concentrate on honouring Christ above all, and everyone who belongs to Christ (and avoid giving a too much special prestige and privilege to our human leaders, no matter how excellent they are)?
- How can our churches be places of welcome, invitation, prayer, worship, Bible teaching, and spiritual nurture (and without undue pressure, coercion, or judgment)?
- How can our churches be more effectively pastoral?
- How can our churches be generous, supportive and realistic in what we expect of both staff and volunteers, always recognising that they all have lives and many other needs and responsibilities beyond the church?
- How can our churches develop appropriate accountability for leaders at every level?
- How can our churches build good processes for participation, questions, feedback, suggestions, complaints, and correctives?

To Christ be glory in the church!

Mā te Atua koutou e tiaki e manaaki i ngā wa katoa

May the Lord bless and keep you at all times



Dr Stuart Lange

National Director



Gayann Phillips

General Manager

and the NZCN team



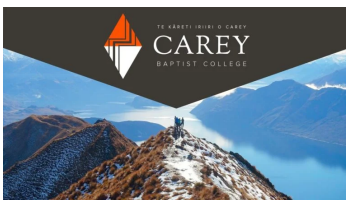
Coming up...

REGIONAL PRAYER FOCUS



Taranaki

22 AUGUST 2022



Monday 29 August

This month's NEXT GEN focus is [Carey Baptist College](#).

Click here to join us on Zoom, 8-9pm Mondays

Last week...

FAMILY FIRST



BOB MCCOSKRIE



Bob McCoskrie is the CEO of [Family First](#), an organisation that seeks to promote strong families, marriage, and the value of life in the media and through research & education.

He shares some key prayer points with us – especially in the light of the recent Supreme Court judgment to deregister Family First, presents his concerns regarding the future status of the ‘traditional / God-ordained’ family in today’s society and highlight some of the topics to be covered in the upcoming [Forum on the Family](#) on 6 September.

Prayer Points:

- Counsellors, pastors, parents affected by new conversion therapy law
- Christians in positions of influence e.g., MPs, school principals, local councils, govt ministries
- Strengthening marriage and families, for fathers and mothers
- Wisdom and strength to speak the Truth to a culture desperately needing it



Pray As One NZ

Every Monday night, from 8–9pm, we run a national prayer meeting on Zoom with 70–80 participants joining from throughout the nation. [Come join us!](#)

Directory of members

Helping to build awareness of different parachurch



organisations serving the church in New Zealand and overseas.

NZCN featured member

Listed on our [Directory](#) by our Church and Christian Organisation members

NZFCNA

New Zealand Faith Community Nursing Association



Faith community nurses are currently registered nurses who provide holistic care to individuals and whanau/families using nursing knowledge combined with spiritual care. They practice within a church pastoral setting and provide an outreach ministry to their local community.

[Visit the website](#)

[Listing on NZCN](#)

NOTE: There is likely to be no newsletter or notices sent next week as Gayann will be enroute back from Canada to New Zealand

[Please check the website for new notices](#)



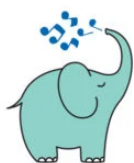
Job Board / Situations Vacant

Connecting people for employment, internships, or voluntary roles in Christian organisations and churches. This can include looking for people to join governance boards or to fill a need for a specific skill/project.

Employment Opportunities

Listed on our [Job Board](#) by our Church and Christian Organisation members

Denotes a new or recently re-listed opportunity



mainly music NZ Trust

Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland

Session Facilitators/Wellbeing Co-ordinator – *part-time*



Thinking Matters

Tauranga

Bookkeeper and Administrator – *part-time*



Africa Inland Mission

Penrose, Auckland

Office Manager – *part-time*



Christians against Poverty New Zealand

Onehunga, Auckland

People and Culture Director – *full-time*



Sanitarium Health Food Company

Territory Development Manager – Café

Christchurch – *full-time*

Wellington – *full-time*

International Students Ministries of New Zealand

Wellington City Leader – *contract*

Auckland City Leader – *contract*



[Auckland Campus Worker](#) – contract

[Fundraising Manager](#) – contract



St. Chad's Church Meadowbank

[Music Director](#) – part-time



Raumati Beach Church

[Senior Pastor](#) – full-time



Alpha NZ – Regional Coach positions (part-time)

[Wellington & Surrounds](#)

[Otago & Southland](#)



Event Calendar

Numbers in brackets indicate the number of events currently listed in that category until the *end of September*. Some events have both online and in person options to attend.

Events

Listed on our [Calendar](#) by our Church and Christian Organisation members. In chronological order with **listings added this week highlighted**.

Attend in person (5)

Attend online (7)

the Arts

Camp/Hīkoi (1)

Community

Denominational

Equip (3)

Fundraising

Outreach

Prayer (7)

[Teens Camp – MiCamp Taupo](#)

19–21 August



This will be a great weekend to hang out with your mates, eat some good kai, play some epic games and learn about God and worship Him too. So grab some friends and come join us, we look forward to seeing you there!



School of Evangelism Foundational Course

2-3, 9-10, & 16-17 September in Christchurch

OAC presents the School of Evangelism Foundational Course, run over 3 weekends (Fri 7-9.30pm and Sat 9 am -5.30pm).

The course comprises three modules – Personal Evangelism, Outdoor Evangelism and Reaching Kids and Families. You can do all three modules or choose to do one.

You will learn the theory, in an interactive class, and then practice your evangelism techniques in context.



Community Chaplains Training

[Auckland](#) - 10 September

If you're passionate about building connections and creating real change in people's lives, particularly assisting them on their spiritual journey, this may be just the opportunity you've been looking for.



TSCF Auckland Supporter Prayer

13 September, 12:15-12:45pm

Repeats on 2nd Tuesday of every month

in-person AND online

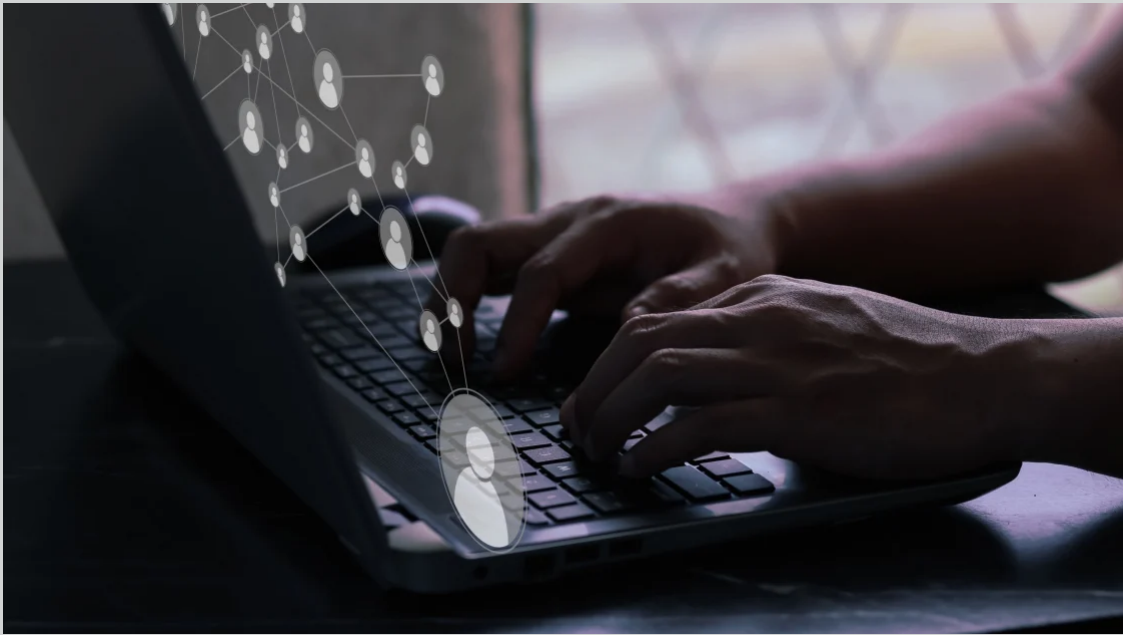


Children's Ministry Block Course

19-23 September in Auckland

How does your faith community view children and their place within the church? What do you believe about the faith formation of children, and the role of parents and the wider faith community in this? How does that inform your practice? If you love helping our tamariki encounter the love of Jesus, then this one-week block course is for you.

Would you like to have your organisation featured in our newsletter, post employment opportunities on our job board, or list events on our calendar?



You can! These are benefits we make available to Christian organisations and churches with current membership

[Click here to learn more](#)



How often do you want to hear from us?

☐ Weekly, even if it's just notices. I like to know what's going on.

☐ Only when there is a message i.e. an editorial or article(s).

Help spread the news...

New Zealand society is in a period of significant change, much of it away from the Christian faith and values. Christian voices in society are either ignored or scorned.

We need Christian voices which are positive, sensible, reasoned, well-informed, and clear.

Forward to a friend



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