



**Kia ora tātou,**

**What will it be like having 200+ New Zealand Christian leaders gathering together in the same room?**

We believe it will be stimulating, inspiring, challenging, thought-provoking, instructive, encouraging, Gospel-minded, and biblically grounded!

**When will this happen?** From **6.00pm Tuesday 19 September 2023 to 3.30pm on Thursday 21 September 2023**

**Who is invited?** Pastors, church leaders, Christian organisation leaders, Christian leaders from different denominations, generations and cultures

**Why at this time?** In our fast-changing and increasingly non-Christian society, Christian leaders need to reflect together, and to learn from one another about how we may best live and communicate the Good News of Jesus in our contemporary Aotearoa New Zealand society

**What topics will be featured?** State of the nation thinking about New Zealand churches and our current context in New Zealand (and if there are matters you really want to be covered, please tell us!)

**Will there be workshops, seminars, and breakout rooms?** Yes, heaps of them

**Will there be well-known overseas speakers who we may have seen on-line anyway?** No, that is not what we are aiming for. This is a New Zealand gathering, and we want to hear what the Spirit of God is saying to us through one another

**Will there be long boring speeches?** No. The input will be quick-fire, and closely timed

**Will there be opportunity to discuss, and to respond?** Yes

**Will there be time to hang-out with friends and meet new ones?** Yes

**Will there be worship, testimony, and prayer?** For sure

**Where is the venue?** In South Auckland, near to the airport

**Is this an Auckland event?** No, it is a national event (and it is in Auckland this time because it immediately follows the National Church Leaders meeting)

**Will there be food?** Yes

**Will there be accommodation on site?** No

**Will it cost a lot to attend?** No

**Do we have to be signed up members of NZCN to attend?** No (but it's always a great idea to become NZCN member)

**Can churches or organisations bring a team?** Yes, by all means

**Can other organisations partner with NZCN to hold this event?** Yes, please get in touch (and also about having promotional booths, running workshops, suggesting speakers etc)

**And what is this gathering?** It is the 9<sup>th</sup> **NEW ZEALAND CHRISTIAN LEADERS' CONGRESS** (September 2023)

**Should we immediately put this our diaries/calenders and keep it free?** Yes!!!

**Should we start praying for this gathering?** Yes!!!

**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

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### **BECOME AN ACTUAL MEMBER OF NZCN**

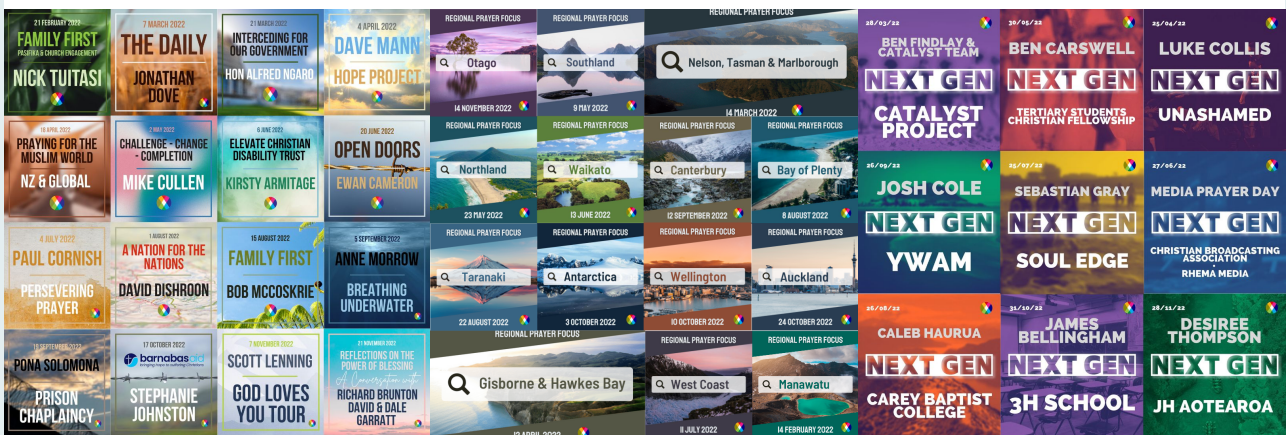
Individuals, couples, churches, and Christian organisations may all officially join NZCN. Becoming a member carries some benefits (see [here](#)), but is primarily

about making a statement that you are firmly committed to biblical Christianity and to working together with other Christians.

**Not sure if you're already a member?** [Click here](#) and if you can't log onto the site, chances are you aren't currently a member. You might have a customer account to manage purchases, but members can watch Te Rongopai online.



## Pray As One NZ is the prayer arm of the New Zealand Christian Network



### Giving thanks for Pray As One this year:

reflections by Andrew Marriott

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It has been an honour to host a number of sessions over the past year, focusing on issues affecting our nation and informing our prayers as one in the body of Christ.

For our last session of 2022, we took time to reflect on the past year and give thanks to God for his faithfulness and answered prayer.

**Hon Alfred Ngaro** joined us and said he wants “to give thanks and honour to the Lord and thanks to Pray As One. An amazing platform that is uniting this nation, its intercessors and its people, to pray before the Lord.” He said that the name itself declares the power of God’s people coming together in unity, according to Psalm 133 – “It’s not just about the words that are prayed ... it’s the apostolic action that Pray As One provides as a platform, ...the seeking, the tarrying, the contending in the Spirit”. Alfred also noted that a number from Pray As One have joined Intercessors Aotearoa on Wednesday nights, and shared some testimonies of answered prayer, especially through the two “72/72” prayer sessions .and that “we have seen a shift when we pray according to God’s will, not ours”.

**Pona Solomon** (Regional Manager Central Prison Chaplains Aotearoa) was so thankful for being prayed for. It opened the door for an interview with Radio

Rhema, opportunities to share in churches and he is really encouraged personally.

**David & Dale Garratt (Scripture in Song)** wrote: "PAONZ is so very significant for our nation. We have been privileged to take part this year and have had friends, as well, who have had wonderful answers to prayer from the 'breakouts'. Andrew has done a masterful job of guiding everyone involved to participate and experience the anointing of the Holy Spirit as they pray. If only this kind of meeting was taking place all over New Zealand, we would see our land healed and blessed. With our love David and Dale"

**Bob McCoskrie (CEO, Family First)**

"We're super grateful to know that we have a prayer 'covering'. We are fully aware in this work that our struggle is not against flesh and blood, it is not against any specific people or activist or organisation. It against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms, it is about ideologies and worldviews that conflict with biblical truth, which is our highest authority at all times. Thank you to all you prayer warriors who do battle in the heavenly realm on our behalf. We wouldn't and couldn't survive without it!"

*Pray As One ended our final session of the year with a time of communion, uniting together not only as citizens of New Zealand but also standing with brothers and sisters around the world who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus. We received the following from two who have also shared in the past year...*

**Ewan Cameron (Church Relationship Manager, Open Doors)**

"It was a blessing to be able to share with Pray For One NZ about Open Doors and our ministry to the persecuted church. I was so encouraged to hear that your members already pray fervently for their persecuted brothers and sisters. As our founder Brother Andrew said, 'If we understood the potential power of our prayers we would be on our knees a hundred times a day asking him for things that would turn the world upside-down'. Thank you all for your support!"

**Stephanie Johnstone (CEO, Barnabas Fund NZ)**

"Praying together on Monday nights with those across NZ has been such a blessing. I am so thankful to be able to represent Barnabas Aid and the persecuted church. Through Pray as One, hope reaches the darkest places and our brothers and sisters who suffer for their faith. On behalf of the persecuted church, thank you all for your faithful prayers."



## 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!](#)





Helping to build awareness of different parachurch organisations serving the church in New Zealand and overseas.

## Featured Member

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



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New opportunities and events will continue to be posted on the website.



It might take a day or two for them to post ... but remember to check it out if you're looking for something!



## 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\***



**Christian Blind Mission International NZ**  
*contract*

**\*Programmes Advisor\*** – Primary base is in Albany, Auckland, with travel to Papua New Guinea



**Tertiary Students Christian Fellowship**  
*all either part/full-time*

**\*Communications Manager\*** – flexible location

**\*Personal Assistant to the National Director\*** –  
Wellington

**Wellington Team Leader** – Wellington

**Staff Workers** – Auckland, Wellington, Dunedin and  
across the nation

**Africa Inland Mission International New Zealand**



*part-time*

**\*Office Manager\*** – Onehunga, Auckland



### **Cromwell and Districts Presbyterian Church**

Cromwell

**Full-time Ministry Position**



### **Bethlehem Community Church**

Tauranga

**Full Time Minister**



### **Baptist Churches of New Zealand**

Penrose, Auckland

**Youth Catalyst**



### **mainly Ministries**

Auckland

**Solutions Coach**



### **Christians Against Poverty New Zealand**

Penrose, Auckland

**Head of Gospel Engagement**

*- full/part-time*

**Grants Writer** – *part-time*



### **Alpha NZ**

*All positions flexible as part/full-time*

**Regional Coach – Otago & Southland**

**Regional Coach – Wellington & Surrounds**



### **Launchpad** (formerly Bible in Schools)

Nation-wide

**Regional Advisor / Community Engagement Representative** – *part-time 10-20 hrs/wk*



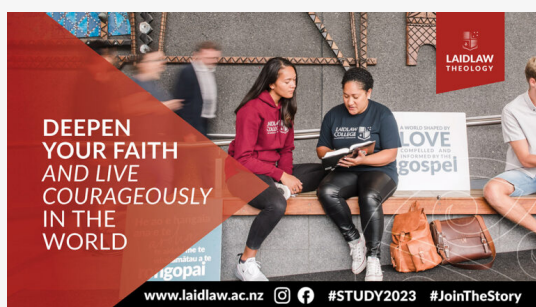
## Event Calendar

**Numbers in brackets indicate the number of events currently listed in that category until the *end of November*.**

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**.



### [Laidlaw College](#)

Applications for these programmes close on 27 Jan 2023.

Semester One begins on 20 Feb 2023.

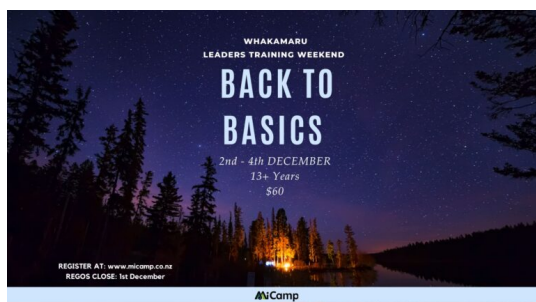
With programmes ranging from Certificate to Doctoral level, we offer flexible pathways for full-time or part-time learning to equip you for lifelong faithfulness and leadership in any vocation. We also have a range of block courses, feature courses, and night classes on offer, including professional development for pastoral and ministry leaders.



### [Carey Baptist College](#)

Applications for 2023 are open ☐

Whether it's a Bachelor's degree, a Diploma, or a Certificate, come and learn, grow, and be transformed for Jesus and his ministry in the world.



### [MiCamp Leaders Training Weekend](#)

2 December - MiCamp Whakamaru

If you are interested in expanding your leadership influence in your community, church or during our school holiday camps then this camp is for you.

Our Leadership camps are filled with general leadership training along with more pin-pointed training towards our holiday camp leaders, so there is something there for everyone. Our aim is to see youth & young adults step into



their God-given leadership potential and be better equipped to serve God in leadership roles.



### **VENN Summer Conference 2023**

6-13 January - Cambridge

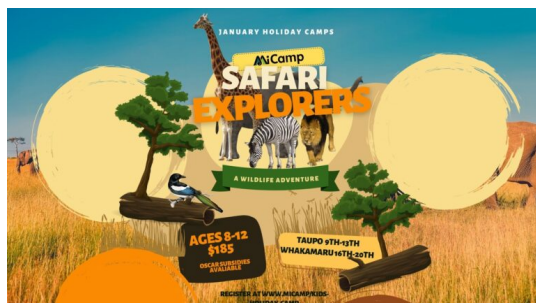
Join 100 students, young professionals, and creatives from around Aotearoa, New Zealand as we explore the rich, transforming Christian faith and what it means for our lives.



### **Thinking Matters Camp North**

9-12 January - Faith Bible College

Dive into dynamic presentations & discussions on some of the toughest topics young Kiwi Christians encounter. Become firmer in your faith and solid in your Christian Worldview. Leave bold in who you are and what you believe as you navigate culture AND life as a young adult.



### **Summer Kids Holiday Camp**

9-13 January - MiCamp Whakamaru

MiCamp kids camps are a highlight for so many children during their school holidays. During a week of holiday camp the kids get to partake in interactive chapel times, fun all-in wide games, exciting activities and eat the most delicious food.



### **Family Camp - Easter Weekend**

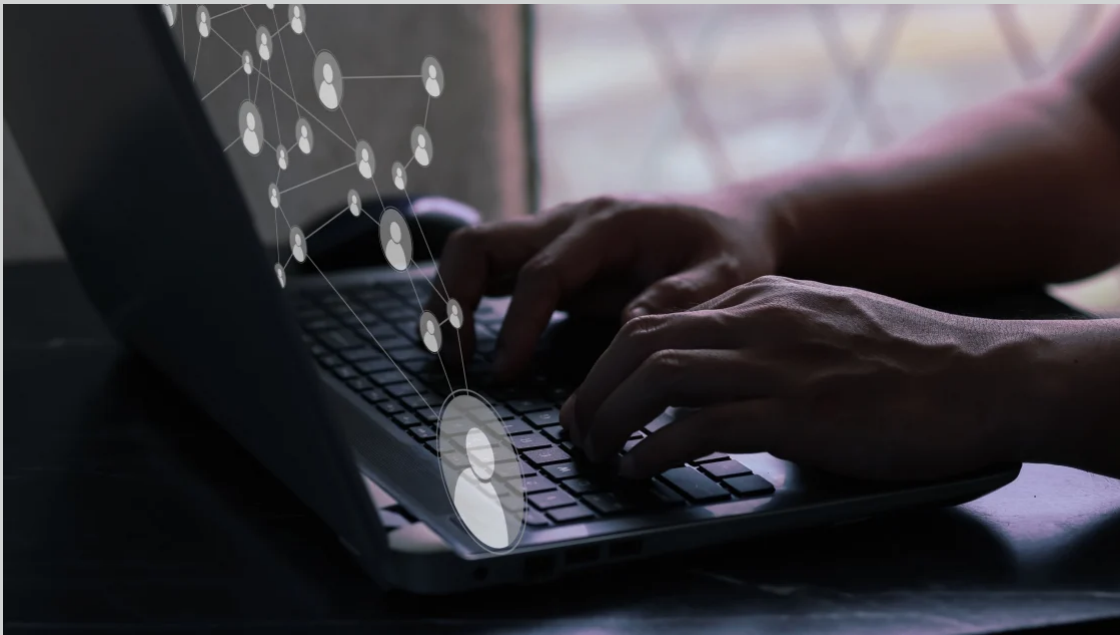
6-10 April - MiCamp Taupo

MiCamps much loved family camp is a great way for you and your family to spend the long weekend.

We offer an affordable camp designed for all ages and stages. It is not run by a church but rather run by MiCamps Board Members & Staff team. We have families who are coming for the first time and others who have been coming for many years all across the North Island.

Come enjoy family time, great speakers, fun kids program, amazing food and more!

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

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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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