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Paul in Rome - Acts 28: 11-30

25 November 2018

**OUR  
VISION**

*To gather and grow a people from all seasons and walks of life who are passionate about knowing Christ in all his fullness, sowing the seed of the gospel and producing fruit to the Glory of God*

**NEW TO CAMBRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH?**

If you are visiting for the first time, we say *kia ora* and a very warm WELCOME to you. As you worship with us we trust that you will feel at home, but more than that, to know the presence of God has touched your life through the worship and the Word. It is our intention to provide you with a loving environment, where people are encouraged in their journey of faith. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

**TAKEAWAYS FROM THE SERVICE TO RUMINATE ON**

1. Why are there accounts of one rescue after another which enable Paul to get to Rome, and then in the final chapter of Acts we are not given any account of his trial before Caesar, and particularly its outcome?
2. The fact that Christians met Paul as he came into Rome strongly suggests there was already a well established church in Rome, so why was there such a need for Paul to go to Rome?
3. Paul said he was in chains because of the hope of Israel, what did he mean? What is New Zealand's hope, do we even collectively have a hope? What is your hope?
4. Acts 23 says that Paul declared the Kingdom of God to the Jewish leaders. How does the Kingdom of God differ from the kingdoms of the earth? What kind of kingdom had the Jews been hoping that the Messiah would usher in? Why did this get in the way of them accepting Jesus? What can we learn from this today?
5. Why did Paul try and use the Law of Moses and the Prophet's to convince the Jews in Rome Jesus was the Messiah? Identify three passages he would have likely used, and explain why? What would you use today to try and convince people that Jesus is the Son of God?
6. Paul quotes the words of Isaiah 6:9, 10 when only a few of Jews are convinced that Jesus is the Messiah? How true are Paul' words for most New Zealanders today? If it is true, who would be the Gentiles we should now take the message to today?



**Office Hours: Tuesday 10:30 am to 2pm; Monday, Wednesday to Friday 9 am to 2 pm**

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# What's on and Where it's Happening



**CAROL SERVICE**  
16 December at 10:30 am

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** TODAY at 1pm. A shared lunch will follow the second service. All welcome.

**CHURCH PRAYER MEETING** 2 December at 4:00 pm

**BBQ WITH THE NEWLYWEDS** Come and celebrate the marriage (happened on 23 November) of Tristan Anderson to Hannah Fanfulla on Saturday, 1 December at 5 pm. Please bring your own meat. If your surname begins with A - L please bring a salad and M - W please bring a dessert. RSVP Annette Atkins in the church office.

**BIBLE SOCIETY** Christmas Cards are now available in the lounge \$7.99. Please put your payment (clearly marked) in the offering bag.

**BAPTIST MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP** Tuesday, 4 December at midday at 28e Roto o Rangī Road. Please bring

food for a shared lunch. We have a couple sharing who have just finished about five years working in Bangladesh. Contact Heather Millais for further information 827 0446

**GUESS WHO IS COMING FOR LUNCH** A big thank you to the 12 couples who hosted people for lunch last Sunday. We had 60 people who were guests. We trust it was a great time of fellowship and getting to know others in the church better. Maybe you could invite someone for coffee or meal?

**SUMMER BBQ'S** its that time of the year again. We are looking for hosts for the Wednesday bbq. Please contact Annette if you would like to host.

**HOME GROUP LEADERS / GROUPS** can you please tell Annette when your group will be finishing for the summer and when you will be starting again in the new year.

Duty		25 November	2 December
Door	09:00am 10:30 am	Tom and Sherry John	David and Lynette Tbc
Tea   Coffee		Johan and Irene	tbc
Counting Offering		Derek and Bette	tbc
PowerPoint	9:00 am 10:30 am	Jocelyn Marcus	Heather tbc
Readers		Delia --	Sherry tbc