

# BRINGING GOD'S HIDDEN TREASURE INTO THE LIGHT

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# Our Mission - To Bring God's Hidden Treasure Into The Light

## 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

## QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. Discuss this statement: "God's aim is not to make our lives better. His aim is to bring us to Himself."
2. How has this week's message changed your understanding of the phrase "Magnifying the Lord"?
3. Discuss brokenness and imperfection in our lives as essential elements in God's name being glorified.
4. Share an instance in your own life or the life of someone you know, where you have seen Christ magnified through hardship and difficulty.

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## Bible References (NIV - unless stated)

**Reading: Philippians 1: 12 - 20**

**Job 2:6:** ‘The LORD said to Satan, “Very well, then, he is in your hands; but you must spare his life.”’

**Matthew 23:5:** ‘But all their works they do to be seen by men. They make their phylacteries broad and enlarge the borders of their garments’ (NKJV)

**2 Corinthians 1:8-9:** ‘We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about the troubles we experienced in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. Indeed, we felt we had received the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead’

**2 Corinthians 4:7-10:** ‘But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body.’

**2 Corinthians 11:30:** ‘If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.’

# What's on and Where's it Happening

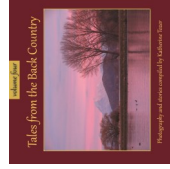
**OVER 70's CHRISTMAS TEA** - 10.15 am on Wednesday 9th December. Spouses who have not quite reached that magic milestone are also welcome! Please bring a small plate of goodies to share, a small wrapped gift & wear something red & festive. Sign up on Sunday with Delia, Dee or Ann or to Gillian in the office by Monday 7th December.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR EDWARD KING** - this will be taking place on Saturday, 12th December, at Cambridge Baptist Church, at 2pm. Jonathan Ruthven will be taking the service. Tony and Fransiska warmly welcome all those who would like to attend. There will be refreshments served after the service.

**WERNER'S OFFICE HOURS** - Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, from 9 am to 1 pm. Werner is available during these times if anyone wishes to talk to him. His e-mail address is: pastor.cambap@xtra.co.nz or phone the office 827 6490.

**CARPET CLEANING** - on Tuesday 22nd December, the carpets in the church hallway, lounge & the creche in the office building, will be being cleaned. These areas will not be accessible/available for 24 hours.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTING** - our church is a drop off point this year for the annual gift drive run by the Salvation Army and the Cambridge Committee of Social Services. More than 100 Cambridge families will receive support this year. If you would like to contribute, please leave unwrapped new gifts for children aged 0-16 in the bin provided, by Sunday 13th December. Gifts suitable for teenagers would be particularly appreciated. Contact Delia Edmeades for more info - 823 0918.



**TALES FROM THE BACK COUNTRY** - these books are a compilation of stories with photos of amazing New Zealand scenery. Six different volumes are available. Each book is \$25 with all proceeds given to Capernway Bible College to assist them during this time without students. Available in the lounge after the service, from the church office or from Peter Tribe & Katherine Tozer.

**COMBINED CHRISTMAS "CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT" SERVICE** - will be taking place at Raleigh Street Christian Centre on Thursday 10th December from 7pm to 8.30pm. Capernway will not be running their usual event at Monovale this year, due to Covid-19, but instead are partnering with RSCC & Cambridge Churches to bring you this service. If anyone would like to do a reading in the service, please speak to one of the Elders.

**HOMEGROUPS** - we would love to welcome you into a homegroup. For details, please contact Ross Porter - phone 827 5918 or call into the office for a booklet..

**TITHING** - the bank account number, for those who would like to pay online is: 02 0300 0014711 00. Please make sure to include your tithing number in the reference