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BRINGING GOD'S HIDDEN  
TREASURE INTO THE LIGHT

**12TH JUNE 2022**

Dear Friends

Winter is truly upon us. Although it doesn't seem as cold as usual, it certainly has been wet. The leaves at Monavale are still falling and the dreary brown greets me every time I drive in. My forebears from Orkney have a great word for these sort of days. 'Dreich' they call them. It means dreary, bleak & cheerless.

The other day as I contemplated a pile of fallen leaves, rake in hand, my eyes were drawn up to the vibrant golden yellow leaves from the 2 ginkgo trees we have. Despite the copious amount of leaves that fall from them, they are a delight to see. The more dreich the day, the more noticeable they are.

We too seem to be facing days that could be described as 'dreich' and I don't need to list why I think this. But my thoughts are drawn to Jesus' words in Matt 3:13 "You are the light of the world..." Like the ginkgo tree on a dreich day there is something in us that shines out of us, something that draws the eyes of others onto our lives. Paul put it another way in Phil 2: 15 "... in which you shine like stars in the universe...".

The quality of our Christian witness comes from the life of Christ within us. As we put our trust in Him, humbly accepting this gift and walking in unity with our brothers & sisters we become that ginkgo tree in our community.

May God continue to bless you this week.

Peter Bichan

## **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 join us for a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

### **OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY TO FRIDAY 9 AM TO 1 PM**

Tel: 827 6490 | Email: [cambap@xtra.co.nz](mailto:cambap@xtra.co.nz) | Church Website: [www.cambridgebaptist.co.nz](http://www.cambridgebaptist.co.nz)

Eldership Team: Peter Bichan, Ruth Martis, Peter Millais

## **BIBLE READING**

**Colossians 1: 15 - 20**

## **BIBLE REFERENCES**

**John 1: 19 - 34**

**John 1: 6 - 8**

**John 3: 22 - 30**

**Romans 12: 3 - 8**

## **TWO JOHNS AND A JESUS - FOR FURTHER STUDY**

1. What do we learn about John the Baptist from John 1: 6 - 8?
2. What stands out to you from the interrogation of John by the Jewish religious leaders in chapter 1: 19 - 28? Why were the religious authorities so interested in John?
3. How does John respond to the religious leaders? How does he describe himself? (see also chapter 3: 22 - 30). How does he describe Jesus?
4. Why do you think John had such a clear sense of his identity and calling?
5. Read Romans 12: 3 - 8. What does it mean to have a "sober judgement"/"sane opinion" of oneself?

## NEWSLETTER

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH THIS MONTH

#### JUMP START - 3-6/7YR OLDS:

**THEME:** Making Waves. Our actions have ripple effects on others. When we choose actions of love and kindness towards others they ripple outwards to positively bless those around us. With Jesus help we can all choose love because He chose to love us first and be our friend forever.

**MEMORY VERSE:** I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength. Philippians 4: 13

**BOTTOM LINE:** Jesus can help me do anything.

#### 252 KIDS - 7 YEAR OLDS UP:

**THEME:** Make Waves: What you do today can change the world around you.

**BOTTOM LINE:** Love others because God loves you

**BASIC TRUTH:** I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

**MEMORY VERSE** "The fruit the Holy Spirit produces is love, joy and peace. It is being patient, kind and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself." Galatians 5:22-23a, NIRV

**OTHER PLACES:** Parents/care givers can download the parent cue app from google or apple to follow the think orange programme, google orange kids blog/parent blog for support and ideas to support you navigate your family in our challenging times and look on Instagram and Facebook. Pinterest has great craft ideas, as do Youtube wonder clubhouse and Wonder orange kids. Add the month and you can watch what your kids watch at Kids Church. It's a fun place to be.

**ONLINE SERVICES** There will be no video recording of the services on 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June. However, you will still be able to listen to the audio recording, which is uploaded soon after the end of the service.

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER MEETING** - please be encouraged to come to this meeting, every Sunday before the service, at 9am. Meet in the wee room off the side of the lounge.

**VIDEO PRODUCTION HELP WANTED** - if you have an interest in videography and the production of short films, this could be the opportunity for you to help bring the weekly Cambridge Baptist Sunday Service to those who are unable to attend in person. We try to produce a video each week, but where this is not possible an audio recording is always available on the church website. To produce videos on a regular basis, we need more people on the team. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Clive on 021 884 323.

**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 column. If you don't have a tithing number, please contact the church office.

## **PRAYER POINTS FOR THE WEEK STARTING MONDAY 13TH JUNE**

- Thank the Lord for the search team and all their background work to find the right person for the senior pastor role. Please continue praying for clear guidance and wisdom, as interviews have now been completed and the next step in this process has started.
- Pray for the future pastor and his family to have absolute certainty in their sense of call to our church.
- Pray for us all to commit to being of good cheer, even though life storms may be present in our life. The King of kings is with us!
- Thank the Lord for all our Ministry Leaders and Elders. Many volunteer hours are being poured into the life of our church.
- Pray for people in our church who are sick, recovering from surgery or are self-isolating because of COVID-19. We also have had several bereavements and several funerals are happening this week. Please uphold them in prayer through their grief.

### **WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone</b>
Mon 13/6	9:30 am	Strength & Balance	Hall	Ann Hugill	021 155 2023
Wed 15/6	10:00 am	Men's bike ride	Absolute Cafe	Peter Millais	027 418 4411
	9:30 am	Women's Walk & Talk	Te Koutu Lake carpark	Ann Hugill	021 155 2023
	10:00 am	Mainly Music	Auditorium	Lynne Porter	827 5918
Fri 17/6	9:30 am	Sew What	Lounge	Cathy Early	823 4292
Sun 19/6	9:00 am	Pre-service prayer	Prayer Room	Ross Miller	
	9:30 am	Sunday Service and Children's Church	Auditorium Hall	Peter Millais Francois Vienings	

Home/small groups meet at various times. If you would like to join one, please speak with Ross Porter, 021 0275 9385, or directly to a home group leader – details in a booklet from the church office.