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BRINGING GOD'S HIDDEN
TREASURE INTO THE LIGHT

29TH MAY 2022

This week we farewell Mervyn and Mary Taylor, who have been valued members of Cambridge Baptist for the past 8 years. They are moving to the UK, where their daughter lives.

We want to acknowledge Mervyn's commitment to the church over their time here. He has been a willing volunteer in numerous big and small ways. The big ones include looking after the church finances, which he has put on a sound footing, and being an Elder for the past three years. The other elders have enjoyed working with him and appreciated his wisdom and knowledge. Mervyn was also a founding Trustee of the Cambridge Affordable Housing Trust and established its finances on a sustainable long-term basis. He volunteered on building and maintenance projects both at the church and with MMM, who enlisted him as their accountant for a while.

Thank you, Mervyn and Mary, we are so grateful to God for who you are and the way he has worked through you to build his kingdom here. Mary, thank you for supporting Mervyn in his many roles.

May the Lord be with you both and surprise you with his love and grace in the next chapter of your lives.

Peter Millais, on behalf of the elders and the church family

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

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Eldership Team: Peter Bichan, Ruth Martis, Peter Millais, Mervyn Taylor

BIBLE READING

John 4: 7 - 14

FOR FURTHER STUDY

1. The woman at the well is different from Jesus. She is an other. How does Jesus treat her?
2. How did the woman come away feeling after interacting with Jesus?
3. Who are the Samaritans for the Christian church today? What about in your local community? What about in your own heart?

NEWSLETTER

VENTILATION IN CHURCH - with winter approaching and COVID in the community, a reminder that to minimise the risk of COVID transmission in church we will maintain cross-ventilation and the ceiling fans on low during services. So during cold weather do put on an extra layer and wear a hat if necessary!

SURVEY RESULTS – SERVICE START TIME - there has been a wonderful response to the survey monkey with a total of 133 people expressing their views on our new starting time for the combined service. Many of you offered further comments and it was heartening to read how positive most of you feel about our fellowship. Thank you. As announced last week, the new starting time will be 09.30 am beginning on Sunday 5th June. This means the prayer meeting starts at 09.00 am. Please pray that this will be a wonderful continuation to fellowship together. Let's practice AGAPE.

MISSION NEWS FLASH - China has been enforcing very strict lockdowns in many parts of the country for around 2 months now. Many living in complexes have had the gates locked shut, sometimes with no warning at all. We pray for those who have been locked inside and are finding it very difficult to order groceries or access essential services. We pray for peace for those who are lonely or afraid.

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.

MINI WORKING BEE - with the departure of Mervyn and Mary from the church manse on 1st June, we will need to finish off the painting work that we started last December when MMM were here. The work will need to be done during the week commencing 6th June. If you are able to help even for a day or two, it would be a real blessing. Please contact John Langhorn on 827 4497 or e-mail: jandtlanghorn@gmail.com

OAC MINISTRIES (formerly Open Air Campaigners) are looking for people who would be interested in becoming community Chaplains. There is an online video giving details. The office can forward the link to you. If you are interested, they are running a training day on June 11th, please contact Peter Bichan through the Church office.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH MINISTRY AND THOSE WHO SERVE INTERMEDIATE AGE KIDS Queens Birthday Leaders Training, Rotorua, Friday 3 Jun 6:00pm – Monday 6 Jun 1:00pm 2022. Baptist Youth Ministries runs QB Leaders Training annually over Queens Birthday weekend. There are some great speakers, with four seminar streams. See [QB Leaders Training | northernbaptist](#) If interested, please contact Francois Vienings fvienings@gmail.com or to one of the elders. The cost will be covered by Cambridge Baptist Church, with a 50% subsidy from Waikato Baptist Association. Register by Monday 30th of May.

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 30TH MAY

- Thank the Lord for the applicants for the senior pastor role. Please keep on praying for clear guidance and wisdom for the search committee as formal interviews are continuing.
- Please pray for the 'Loyal Workshop' and the 'renewal together' appeal that through this work God will have an impact on people's lives, in particular in South East Asia.
- Thank the Lord, for all our group activities, with many volunteers faithfully serving in our church. Sew What, Mainly Music, Children's Church, Creche, Stretch and Balance, Men's cycling group, Walk and Talk, homegroups and bible study groups, Sunday prayer meeting, Sunday service (worship leaders, singers, instrumentalists, sound people, ProPresenter, greeters, morning tea team, offering counting, duty Elder) and Missions (BMF) group.
- Pray for the Elders and for Gillian in the office, that the increased workload is manageable for all of them.
- Pray for the folk in our church who are sick and who are self-isolating because of COVID-19.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Day	Time	Event	Location	Contact	Phone
Mon 30/5	9:30 am	Strength & Balance	Hall	Ann Hugill	021 155 2023
Wed 01/6	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
Thurs 02/6	1:30pm	Knitters & Natters	Lounge	Ruth Shute	824 0191
Fri 03/6	9:30 am	Sew What	Lounge	Cathy Early	823 4292
Sun 05/6	9:00 am	Pre-service prayer	Prayer Room	Ross Miller	
	9:30 am	Sunday Service and Children's Church	Auditorium Hall	Peter Bichan 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.