

Hi Folks,

From Chris' desk....



Good morning and welcome to the Bible Chapel this morning.

The word "Detour" is a most annoying word, it communicates obstruction, that often can lead to frustration. When the road ahead is blocked for some reason, it frequently means time wasted and/or extra miles involved to get to the other side of the blockage. Once while heading to Wellington, Judy & I encountered a roadblock that took us on a journey which added ½ hour to our travels even though the blocked section of the road was less than 100m in length!! Roadblocks are things that prevent us from getting to where we really want to go. When it comes to establishing a walk with God, I have discovered that there are many circumstances that inhibit our progress. Some of these situations delay us from even initiating our walk with God. They frustrate our endeavours to find Him, causing us in one way or another to give up or to settle for an understanding of God that is far less than accurate. For some of us these obstacles cause our relationship with God to be stunted in its growth. I guess when we fail to deal with major obstacles or roadblocks in our lives, it's a little like a piece of road work which never really gets completed and for years frustrates those on that journey.

The series we are initiating in Life Link is essentially to look at some of the circumstances that might hinder us from either coming to God or growing in our relationship with Him. There are four areas that we will investigate over the next month — "Your Past", "Conflicts", "Fear", and finally "Unanswered Questions". You may feel quite at liberty to hand to us some of your own unanswered questions for us to consider in our planning. Either email them to [chris@tabc.co.nz](mailto:chris@tabc.co.nz) or hand them to Peta or Chris.

I want to close this morning by informing you firstly that *Ryan Claasen* is home from hospital and is well. And secondly that *Stuart Henderson* is in hospital after being crushed by a digger bucket - he has a couple of broken ribs & a broken collar bone. Ruth Henderson has conveyed that they are thankful there is no other damage, & Stuart will be living a fairly quiet lifestyle for a few weeks! Your prayers & practical assistance are greatly appreciated.

Please continue to pray for our farmers & the stress they face at this time.

That's all from me today.  
Blessings,  
Chris

This Week	Wednesday 9th April		Saturday 12th April	
	1:30 pm 7:00 pm	Senior's Bible Study at Chapel Boys' & Girls' Rally	6:30 pm	Youth — Auckland All-Nighter <i>For more info contact Anna 027-4446945</i>
	Thursday 10th April			
	6:30 am Onward	Secret Garden Men's Social <i>(This week's topic - Numbers 20 : 9—13)</i>		
	9:45 am	Weekly for Women <i>Julie Lealand—A demonstration of Pot-Pourri</i>	Small Groups continue this week. For more info, phone the office on 871 8667 or 870 2286	

**\*\* NOTICE \*\***

Always wondered how you could help with the Alpha Course?

We'd like a stock of garlic bread for the freezer!!! Just bring it along to the chapel and give it to Gael or Peta or ring Lois on 07-8252129.

Thanks



If anyone is interested in purchasing a good BMW 318 (1997)...

Contact Ernie McLay 8718521

Anybody got a spare bag of Calf Milk Powder? Please phone Linda on 8704211

If you have ever worshipped at **Caversham Community Church/Gospel Chapel, in Dunedin**, there is a flyer on the notice board which may interest you. Or email Pam Lindsay on [pamlindsay@orcon.net.nz](mailto:pamlindsay@orcon.net.nz)

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**COUNSELLING**

We have a competent, qualified counsellor available Monday—Friday. Please feel free to contact Helen Morris 0272958837 or Chapel office 8718667.

We have an EFTPOS machine in the office which you can use for any purpose..... Café, book purchasing, tithing, etc

If you prefer to do your giving electronically our ANZ number is 01 0439 0002731 00

**Offering for week ending 30th March...**

Earmarked donations: \$ 2040.00  
General offering: \$ 2801.30  
Electronic Payments: \$ 2395.48

## Dates for your Diary

### MISSIONARY INTEREST MEETING

Monday, 7th April 2008 — 12 noon

at Hukanui Bible Church, 54 Hukanui Road, Hamilton

Speaker: Charles & Ruth Sundgren ...to share about The Suffering Church

*All welcome !!!*

*A meeting with*

Larry Baldock — organizer of the Anti Smacking Petition will be held at Te Awamutu Baptist Church on Monday 7th April @ 7:30 pm — All interested are welcome.

All those who are interested in supporting the work of **MMM International (NZ)** are invited to attend a Supporters bi-monthly meeting held at Margaret Brown's, 348 Cobham Dr., Hamilton.

You can be involved by praying, making things for the sales table e.g jams, pickles, cakes, crafts etc. Help is needed with sales tables too.

Meeting on Thursday 10am. Inquiries phone Margaret (07) 856 1002

## Missionaries' Update

**Wildermoths' update letter on notice board in the foyer...**

*Update letter from Gee in Thailand on notice board in the foyer...*

### TODAY 6th April 2008

1st Service **LIFE LINK: Roadblocks that keep us from God**  
**"Your Past"**  
**Speaker: Chris Graham**

2nd Service **CHURCH@11: WORSHIP**

FOLLOWED BY COMMUNION  
WORSHIP LEADER : BARBARA JONES



6th April 2008

SHARING

*YEAH... Cafe is ON!*

THE LIFE CHANGING MESSAGE

of  
JESUS

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