

The thought for the month

AUCKLAND DEAF CHRISTIAN CHURCH

February 2022– No.44

Auckland is at Traffic Light Red

You have a lot more freedom if you are double vaccinated (2 or more COVID jabs) and a Vaccine Pass.

If vaccinated,

- Shops, hairdressers and eating places are open.
- you can play and watch sport.
- Go for a holiday around NZ

If not vaccinated

- Can not go to a lot of shops or any hairdressers or any dine in at eating places.

Remember

Wash your hands lots.

Always wear a mask when leaving your house.



While we are not able to have services at the moment, you can look at the powerpoint of our service on our website.

<https://adcfonline.com/>

The powerpoint of the service is on the website page called PowerPoints from Services.

Other pages have lots of interesting information.



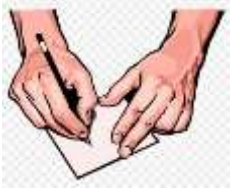
Dates for your diary Only if we are at green traffic light, cancelled if orange or red traffic light

6 February 2022 - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF with communion.

20 February 2022 - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service. A committee meeting after.

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From Glenn, our chairperson

This reading is from the Holy Bible, English Version for the Deaf (purple cover)

Psalms 37(David's song) verse 1 – 11 and 37 – 40 (below)

- 1/ Don't get upset at evil people. Don't be jealous of people who do bad things.
 - 2/ Evil people are like grass and green plants that quickly turn brown and die.
 - 3/ If you trust in the Lord and do good things, you will live and enjoy many things the land gives.
 - 4/ Enjoy serving the Lord and he will give you what you want.
 - 5/ Depend on the Lord. Trust him, and he will do what must be done.
 - 6/ Let your goodness and fairness shine like the sun at noon.
 - 7/ Trust in the Lord and wait for his help. Don't be upset when bad people succeed. Don't be upset when bad people make evil plans and their plans succeed.
 - 8/ Don't be angry! Don't be mad! Don't become so upset you want too to do bad things.
 - 9/ Why? Because evil people will be destroyed. But people that call the Lord for help will get the land God has promised.
 - 10/ In a short time, there will be no more evil people. You can look for these people but they will be gone!
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- 37/ Be pure and honest, because that brings peace.
 - 38/ But people who break the law will be destroyed.
 - 39/ The Lord saves good people. When good people have troubles, the Lord is their strength.
 - 40/ The Lord helps good people and saves them. Good people depend on the Lord, and he saves them from bad people.

If you have any problems with them (bad people), just ignore them. Anger, rage and losing your temper are very destructive (negative or damaging or bad) emotions. They show a lack of faith (you don't believe) that God is in control and God loves us. Don't forget that what our Lord Jesus Christ says, "So my dear brothers and sisters, stand strong. Don't let anything change you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord. You know that your work in the Lord is never wasted.

Prayer:

Father in Heaven, help us to please you and to be close to you and learn how to follow Jesus in his walking life. In his name
Amen.

Please pray for

Pray for God's blessings on these people;

Des, Mavis, June and Phyllis (all in care homes)
– pray for their general well-being.

Tom and Rhona – pray for their general well-being.

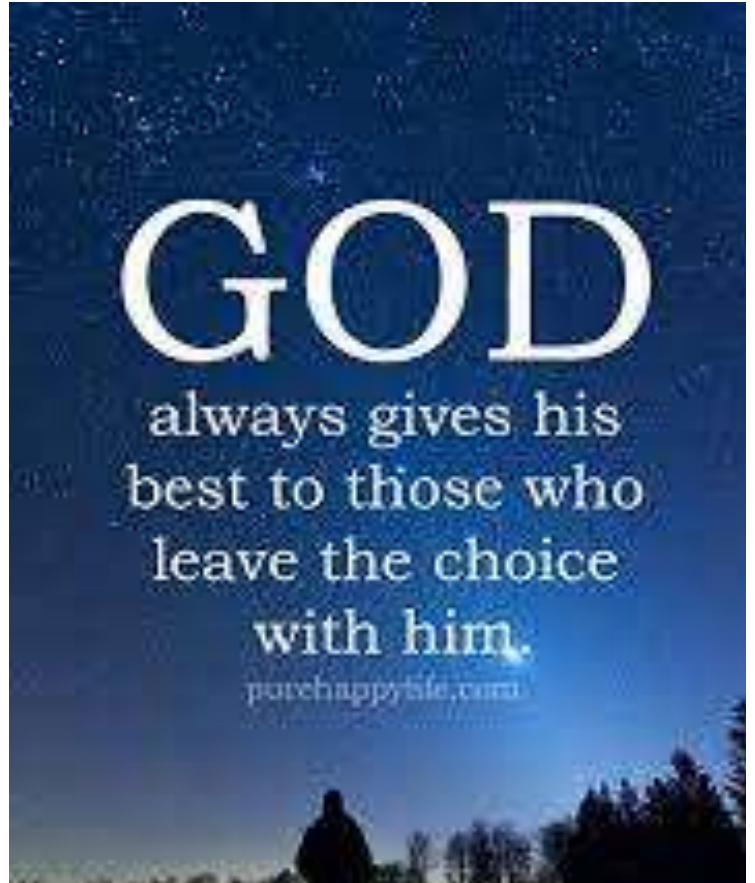
Johanna – Please pray for continued healing of Johanna's shoulder.

Pray that a suitable new place is found for ADCF (see notice).

Ngairé Doherty – Ngairé is in hospital and has been for a few weeks. Please pray for healing.

Omicron COVID virus. There is a new COVID virus called Omicron. Please pray all COVID goes away.

If anybody has any prayer requests, please contact Michelle or any one of the Committee members and this will be added to the newsletter.



Birthdays coming up

Val Jillings – 22 February

Wendy Sedon – 25 February

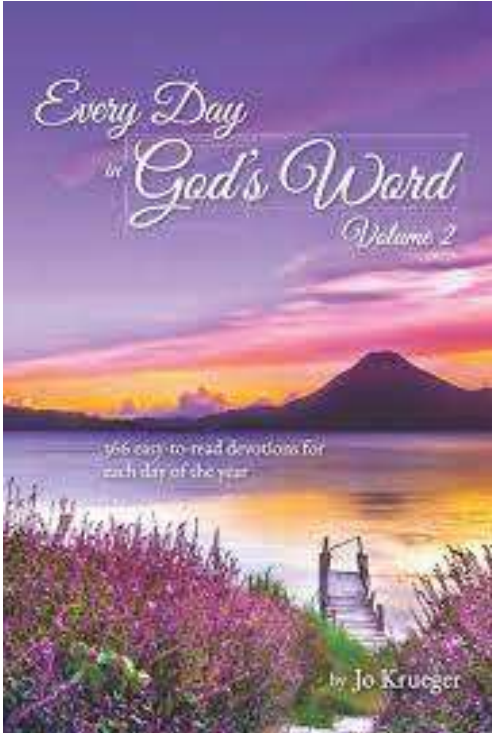
If you would like to have a social at your house or have any suggestions for a social get together, talk to a committee member.



Enjoy serving the Lord, and he will give you what you want

Psalm 37 verse 4

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ADCF is on the move

We have been advised that Rosebank Peninsula Church building has been sold.

There will be no more services at Rosebank Peninsula church.

Watch this space for our new meeting place

From Johanna, Lay Minister

A word of encouragement.

Dear friends and members of Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship. We may feel like we are alone or lonely in this world. Please remember your belief in God. Remember God is able to help you in good times and in hard times. Remember to ask God for help, God knows our thoughts and words before we even sign/say them. God may choose to use other people to help and encourage you. Today i have been reading part of a Bible devotion/study book, "Everyday in God's Word" (new name) volume 2 by Jo Krueger. Old name was "Deaf Devo". Thank You Michelle for following up with Jo for this year's book.

At the beginning of the book Jo writes many thanks to my daughter "Rachel - my greatest fan & best critic." Rachel & a few other people wrote some of the devotions (daily bible readings & comments) they are like mini bible studys. Rachel used some of her other skills to help Jo get this devotional book printed & delivered to people around the world. Rachel encouraged Jo often."

I found these words encouraging because as people, we can feel 'like everything is too hard for us, or we may feel like we are on our own'. Remember God knows us & most of us believe in God. We can ask God for help & encouragement. God may use Bible verses & other people to help and encourage us.

In the Bible Paul who was in prison starts most of his letters to other Christians/followers of God. like this "

I, Paul a believer of Christ Jesus am writing this letter to all God's people... i pray to God our Father & the Lord Jesus Christ, will be merciful to you and give you peace. Paul prays "everytime i think of you, I thank my God. Everytime i pray for all of you, it makes me happy to know you believe in Jesus. Paul went through some very hard times in his life and God sent some others to help him. Paul knew God had sent these people to help him. We can thank God even when we may not feel like it. God knows the difficulties each of us in our lives & sends others to encourage and help us.

Currently because of COVID rules it is still too hard for us to meet in person (face to face) in groups, because we have to wear masks. The Committee will keep you updated & let you know when we maybe able to meet again for our services.

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