

# The thought for the month

AUCKLAND DEAF CHRISTIAN CHURCH

January 2023 – No.53



*June Norma  
Whiting*

17 June 1925 – 12 December 2022



## June Whiting eulogy

(Summarised by Michelle from Roseanne Towler's eulogy – June's youngest child)

June was the 5<sup>th</sup> child of 6 born to profoundly deaf parents. She had a small amount of hearing and used hearing aids up until her 80's, when she lost all hearing. As a teenager she met Ray, the love of her life and married him at 18, they went on to have 6 children.

She was an amazing homemaker (sewing, knitting and baking/cooking). No one went hungry or was cold and everyone was dressed well in their house.

Lovely life skills that June taught her children was understanding, patience, respect, kindness, responsibility, reliability and love. June was a determined, strong persistent woman that didn't let her deafness hold her back from anything she wanted to do or use her deafness as a crutch.

In her mid 40's, June got her driving licence started volunteering and joining more hearing and Deaf groups. June loved to play bowls.

She was always wanting to help people and was an advocate for many people.

June loved to travel, and went lots of places. Her favourites were the Vatican, Vienna and London.

In her later years she was at Onewa Rest Home in Birkenhead.

June is loved by all and will be missed by all.

Another daughter told me that June has children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren. All total 47 - WOW

## ***Dates for your diary***

We will let you know when services in a church start again.

Services on the website until then

**7 January 2023** – Afternoon tea at Muffin Break in St Luke’s Mall – see notice

**8 January 2023** - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service with communion. Service will be on the website (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)

**22 January 2023**- Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service. This service will be on the website

**6 February 2023** - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF with communion.

**12 February 2023** – Afternoon tea somewhere around 2 pm – Save the date

**20 February 2023** - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service. A committee meeting after.



## **Birthdays coming up**

**Rhona Gibling – 31 January**

The Committee is still finalising a place to meet

## **Bible Quiz**

Mark 1

- 1 What were John’s clothes made of?
- 2 Who baptised Jesus?
- 3 How long did Jesus go into the desert to be tempted by Satan (the devil)?
- 4 Who were the 1<sup>st</sup> 2 apostles?
- 5 What does Jesus ask the man with leprosy do after he heals him?



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.

## **BIBLE STUDY**

**Bible study is taking a break for Christmas, back February 2023**

**WHERE: ON ZOOM OR SKYPE**

**WHEN: TUESDAY NIGHT'S 7 – 8 OR TO 8.30.**

**PLEASE CONTACT MICHELLE FOR THE ZOOM CODES OR SKYPE NAME.**

**DON'T NEED TO HAVE ZOOM ON YOUR COMPUTER, MICHELLE SENDS YOU A LINK.**

## ***Please pray for***

Pray for God's blessings

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

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

Des and family as they mourn the loss of Mavis.

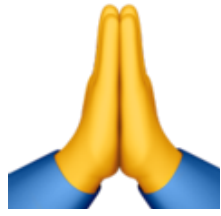
Des – he been unwell and pray for his return to great health.

Pray that a suitable new place is found for ADCF.

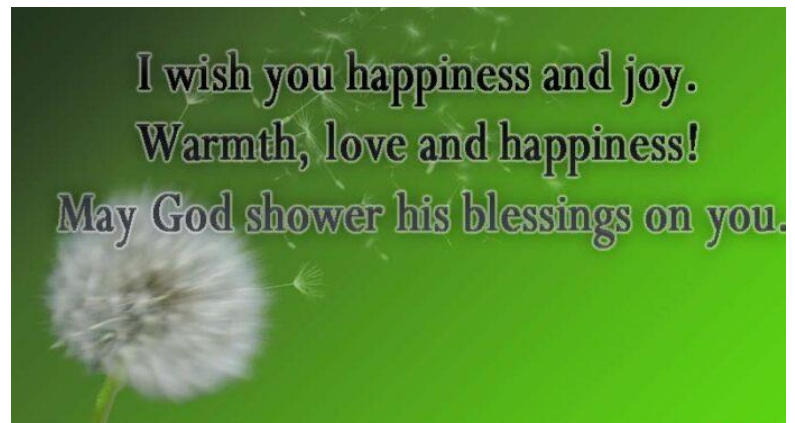
Rev Joannes Owino Sainga – see notice

COVID virus– pray that they find a way out of this big problem.

The Russian / Ukraine war stops and a peaceful solution can be worked out.



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



The traffic light system in New Zealand has finished. A lot of the COVID rules are gone. BUT COVID IS STILL IN THE COMMUNITY

Remember: - Stay home while unwell.

Do RATs test (Rapid Antigen Test) to find out if positive or negative for COVID. Do another RATs test if still sick after a few days and last RATs test was negative.

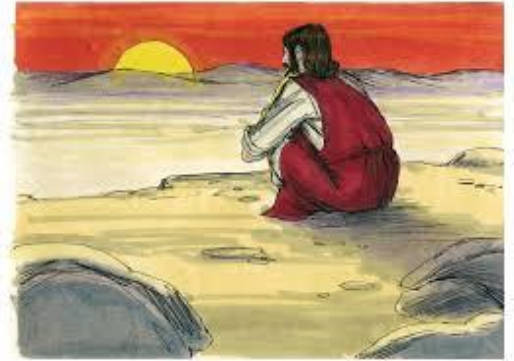
You can order free RATs tests from

<https://covid19.govt.nz/testing-and-tracing/covid-19-testing/>



## Bible Quiz answers

- 1 John's clothes were made from camel hair and he had a leather belt around his waist.
- 2 John baptised Jesus in the Jordan River. When Jesus was coming out of the water, the Holy Spirit came down to Jesus like a dove.
- 3 Jesus goes in the desert to be tempted by Satan for 40 days.
- 4 The 1<sup>st</sup> 2 apostles were Simon and Simon's brother, Andrew.
- 5 Jesus tells the man with leprosy to do 3 things after he healed him
  - not tell anyone about what Jesus did a
  - to go and show yourself to the Priest
  - Offer a gift to God



## From Glenn, our chairperson

Hi everyone

Another great thing Jesus taught us was how to love one another and do good to all people

Look at Psalm 1 v 1 – 6 (written before Jesus was on earth)

1. A person will be truly happy if he doesn't follow the advice of bad people, and if he doesn't live with sinners, and he doesn't feel at home with people who don't believe in God.
2. A good person loves the Lord's teachings. He thinks about them day and night.
3. So a person becomes strong like a tree planted by streams of water. He is like a tree that makes fruit at the right time. He is like a tree with leaves that don't die. Everything he does is successful.
4. But bad people are not like that. Bad people are like chaff that the wind blows away.
5. If the good people gather together to decide a court case, then the bad people will be found guilty. Those sinners will not be judged innocent.
6. Why? Because the Lord protects good people but destroys the bad people.

So – this Psalm tells us that people who believe in God are good people.

- They love to read and hear about God's teaching. God's word makes us strong
- They think about God's teaching all the time. God's teachings are positive.

Everyone must make a choice to believe and follow God or not. People that don't become like chaff that is thrown away. Good people don't get thrown away by God.

Pray

Dear Father

Help us to follow and work for you bringing eternal happiness into our lives.

In Jesus's name

Amen



Blessings of God be with you.





## Next Social

Come for afternoon tea and a catch up chat

When: 7 January 2023

When: From 2 pm

Where: Muffin Break, Level 2 St Luke's Mall

This café is close to Silvermoon (the Jewelers).



## Socials we had



12 November 2022 at Bean Grinding Café in Milford Mall

Terry Moss, Brenda Inu (Hart) and Michelle Smith had a lovely afternoon tea. The staff at this Café were lovely and helpful. It was great to catch up with a small group.



RSA Christmas Lunch 10 December 2022

Front row - Johanna Brens, Barbara Cunliffe

Back Row – Terry Moss, Glenn Schischka, Mac (the dog), Michelle Smith

A great time of catching up with what we are doing for Christ and New Year. We all agreed, we ate too much and were really full. I had a main and a dessert for under \$25 (but really did not need the dessert!). Staff were lovely.

We all agreed, it was an excellent place for a meal.

ADCF gave Michelle flowers and chocolates for all the work she does. Thank you for that.



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