# The thought for the month

#### AUCKLAND DEAF CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Februay 2023 – No.53



1 Samuel 27 - 29

- 1 Why did David go to the land of the Philistines?
- 2 How did David fool King Achish?
- 3 What does the ghost of Samuel tell Saul?

4 Why did David and his men leave the Philistines fight against Saul and his army?

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.

# God Cares for people through people



#### 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. And June Whiting's family as they mourn the loss of June.

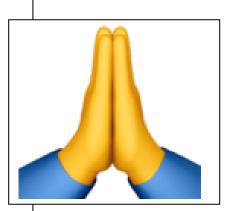
Des – he been unwell and pray for his return to great health.

Pray that a suitable new place is found for ADCF.

Rev Joannes Owino Sainga – see notice.

COVID virus- pray that they find a solution for 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.

## **BIBLE STUDY**

## Starts Tuesday <u>7 February</u> <u>2023</u> at 7 pm

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.

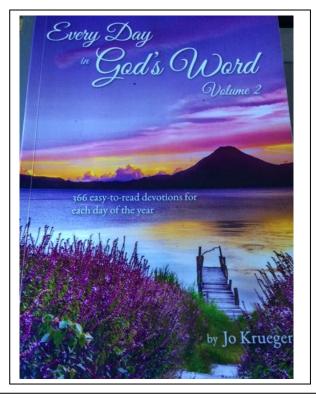
Don't need to have zoom on your computer, Michelle sends you

#### God does not take away the darkness

But He guides us through it







#### From Glenn, our chairperson

Hi everyone

My question to you. How can believers help each other live a Christian life?

The bible tells us what we need to do.

Hebrews 10 verses 24 – 25

24 We should think about each other and see how we can help each other show love and do good things.

25 We should not quit meeting together. That's what some people are doing. But we should meet together and strengthen each other. You should do this more and more as you see the Day coming.

Ephesians 4 verses 31 - 32

31 Never be bitter or angry or mad. Never shout angrily or say things to hurt people. Never do anything evil.

32 Be kind and loving to each other. Forgive each other the same as God forgave you in Christ.

The bible tells us that we need to

- Encourage each other.
- Pray for each other and pray with each other.
- Lead each other on God's path, never let each other fall into sinful ways.



Blessings of God be with you.

#### Every Day in God's Word

Beautiful daily devotions especially written for Deaf or English as a  $2^{\rm nd}$  language. Easy to read.

This is last year's book and no longer needed. It is free to whoever wants it.

Each daily reading is for the day – like 19 February, but does not have the year so it can be used any year.

Please let me know if you want to know more or would like it





Update of Rev Joannes in Kenya

Picture is of Rev Joannes with Gregory.

Gregory Rontgen Otieno is now 6 years old and lives in Saika Mowlem, Nairobi, Kenya. He is now old enough for school, even though he is physically challenged because he has never walked or spoken (speak).

Rev Johannes is asking for prayers that a way can be found for Gregory to go to school and also get the treatment he needs.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

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 Samuel 27 - 29

1 David went to the land of the Philistines to escape from Saul. Saul was trying to kill him.

2 David fooled King Achish by telling him that he fought and defeated places in Israel (Southern part of Judea, and Southern part of Jerahmeel). David really had these fights in Egypt. David gave all the animals and clothes from these fights to King Achish.

3 The ghost of Samuel told Saul that the Lord had left him and is now with his neighbour David. The Lord is taking Saul's kingdom and giving it to David in the coming battle. Saul did not destroy the Amalekites and show them how angry the Lord was with them. The Lord will let the Philistines defeat you and the army of Israel. Tomorrow Saul and his sons will die.

4 David used to be one of Saul's officers and now fights for Achish and the Philistines. The Philistine captains did not want David and his army to fight with the Philistines, the captains said it was having an enemy in our own camp. David and his army went back to the city Achish gave them.

#### Social we had

#### Report of social

Photo – from left going around the table

Tricia Morrison, Johanna Brens, Michelle Smith, Terry Moss, Bethalina, Brenda Inu, Barbara Cunliffe, Bill Morrison

It was great to catch up with what we all did over Christmas. We had such a wonderful time we stayed chatting for hours.

We have been to Muffin Break in St Luke's Mall before and it is a wonderful place to meet, the staff were very helpful.

### **Upcoming Socials**





#### Come for afternoon tea and a catch-up chat

What date: 11 February 2023.

When: From 2 pm.

Where: <mark>Espresso Caffe, Albany Mall, 219</mark> Don McKinnon Drive, Albany, Auckland.

Close to New World.

#### Come for afternoon tea and a catchup chat

What date: 11 March 2023.

When: From 1 pm (note the time change).

Where: <mark>Café in the main building, Pinesong</mark> Retirement Village, 66 Avonleigh Road, Green Bay, <mark>Auckland</mark>.



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