

The thought for the month

AUCKLAND DEAF CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

March 2023 – No.55

Ngairé Doherty

17 December 1934 – 27 January 2023

89 years old

Mother of 3

Deaf from birth

Ex-president of ADS and Life Member of ADS

Sign Language Tutor extraordinaire

A memorial service was held on 11 February 2023 at 130 pm at ADS (Auckland Deaf Society) in Hillsborough Road, Auckland.





Phyllis Sherrock:

I met Phyllis when I started working with the ADCF in 2000. Being someone who lived with Usher’s syndrome, she often struggled with tunnel vision and hearing loss, but that had not stopped her being a very creative and special person.

Phyllis had worked as a florist, running a florist shop for many years with, I believe, her mum. She always loved flowers and it had been hard for her to give up this much loved work.

She married Robin Sherrock, an electrician and inventor. They lived on the North Shore, which she also loved. She was an artist and a good one at that.

During the time I met her, Phyllis began knitting. She knitted so many, many lovely toys, creating very fine details, clothing, little flowers and vegetables – I remember rabbits with tiny carrots – even seats

for her animals to sit on. Especially she knitted for people in need, many nurses buying her toys to give to children who were in hospital. They were truly beautiful and amazing. I still have some myself.



When she needed some extra help, I supported her move into the Everill Orr rest home, where she and Mere got together. They loved their time, going into New Lynn shopping mall, hopping on the electric scooters and travelling all around together, getting up to all sorts of mischief.

We shall miss Phyllis, a very special and creative lady. With love from your friend, Sandra Gibbons.



Services are
restarting on
5th March
at 2.15 pm

The Te Atatu Union Church for our services starting March 5th and 19th at 2.15 pm. Please come if at all possible.

Address is 2 Taikata Road, Te Atatū Peninsula,
Auckland 0651

Plenty of parking and is a flat area.



The powerpoint of the service is on the website page called PowerPoints from Services. It will be on the website later this day after service.

<https://adcfonline.com/>

Bible Quiz

Leviticus 26

- 1 What does this say about making idols or statues?
- 2 How many times will we be punished for our sins?
- 3 If we obey God, what will happen to our crops?
- 4 What will happen if we repent our sins and accept the punishment for these sins?



Birthdays coming up

Wendy S – 25 February

Tom G – 27 March

Sandra G – 31 March

Dates for your diary

5 March 2023 - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service with communion.

7 March 2023 – Bible Study – see notice.

11 March 2023 – Afternoon tea (1 pm) at Pinesong Retirement Village (See notice).

14 March 2023 – Bible Study – see notice.

19 March 2023- Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service. This service will be on the website.

21 March 2023 – Bible Study – see notice.

28 March 2023 – Bible Study – see notice.

2 April 2023 - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF with communion.

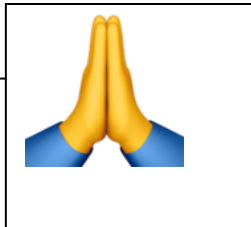
8 April 2023 – Save this date for afternoon tea about 2 pm.

16 April 2023 - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service. A committee meeting after.



Please pray for

Pray for God's blessings



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

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

Ngaire Doherty's family and friends as they mourn the loss of Ngaire.

Phyllis's friends as they mourn the loss of Phyllis.

Lyn, Michelle's mother – Pray for healing and her return to great health

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

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.



From Glenn, our chairperson

Hi everyone

We are now part way through 2023 and I have been thinking about the laws and rules given to us by the Prime Minister and our country.

Remember the laws that God gave Moses on Mount Horeb? These are 1st written in Exodus 20 1 – 20 and are called the 10 commandments. These commandments are written lots of times all through the Bible, even Jesus talked about them. Someone worked out there are over 35 million laws (lots and lots, a really big number) around the world to enforce (put into force) the 10 Commandments given to use by God. We see God's laws and rules in the Bible.

Interesting thing to know is that we (God's people) call the first 5 books in the Bible the Torah. The Torah means teaching or guiding. Sometimes the Torah is called by other names but it still means the first 5 books. The books in the Torah are Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. These books have lots of guidance for living our lives in a way that is pleasing to God.

God promises us great things if we obey His laws. Leviticus 26 1-13 tells us about this. These verses tell us what we should do and shouldn't do and what great things God will do. Please read all these verses in your bible.

God even tells us what will happen if we don't obey Him – Leviticus 26 14-39. Please read this too. (this month's bible quiz is on Leviticus 26 verses)

Prayer

Dear Our Father

I want to live (walk) with you today and do things that please you. Please help me to understand how to be closer to you and share Your love with other people. In Jesus' name.

Amen



Blessings of God be with you.



BIBLE STUDY

WHERE: ON MSN MESSENGER

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

PLEASE CONTACT MICHELLE TO BE CONNECTED

Bible Quiz answers

- 1 God says not to make idols or statues for ourselves, and don't bow down to statues or idols.
- 2 If we don't obey God, we will be punished 7 times more for our sins?
- 3 If we obey God, we will have enough crops to last for more than a year. When we harvest the new crops, we will have to throw out what is left of the old crops so we have room to store the new crops.
- 4 If we repent our sins and accept the punishment for these sins, God will remember his agreement with Jacob, Isaac and Abraham, and we will get the rewards for obeying God.

Social we had

February Social was cancelled

We all wanted to go to Ngaire Doherty's memorial service.

This social will be moved to another month this year. We will let you know when.

Upcoming Social for March

Come for afternoon tea and a catch-up chat

What date: 11 March 2023.

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

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



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