

The thought for the month

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Dates for your diary

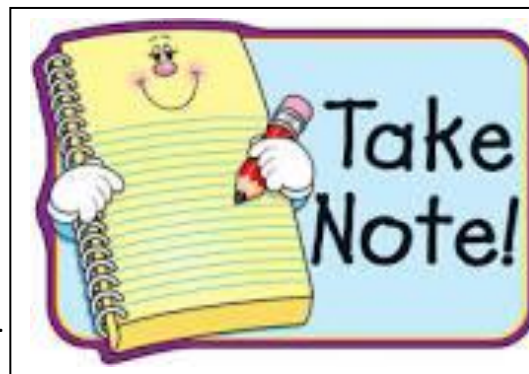
NO SERVICES IN JANUARY

20 January 2024 – Social – see notice

4 February 2024 - Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service with communion.

10 or 17 February 2024 -Social – Save the date.

18 February 2024- Sunday at 2.15pm ADCF service.



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

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Birthdays coming up

Rhona G – 31 Jan

BIBLE STUDY

~~WHERE: ON ZOOM~~

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

~~PLEASE CONTACT MICHELLE TO BE CONNECTED~~

**Having a break,
start again February**





These are the 2 banners made by Tricia M

The gray and silver one Tricia made a few years ago.

The blue and gold one Tricia made for ADCF's 50th Anniversary.

They are so beautiful.

Thank you Tricia.



Des M and Rhona G at Tom's funeral



Please pray for

Pray for God's blessings and good
health to all these people

Deaf people in Kenya.

Pamela Brens (Johanna B's Mum).

Des Marett.

Rhona Gibling

Val Jillings – Barbara's Mum.

Koronawa, Johanna G and family.

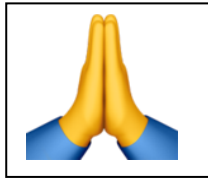
COVID virus– they find a solution for.

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

Israel - this stops and a peaceful solution can be
worked out.

Our new government and their decisions.

Northern hemisphere countries – pray for the people
and the heatwaves, fires and flooding.



Message from Glenn, our chairman

During the month of December, the Christmas Festival is full swing everywhere in the world. We must always give a big thanks for Jesus, who came to our World to save people, so we can have an eternal life with him.

The days seem to come around faster each year. We have learned lots to share with brothers and sisters by being In Church and reading God's word - the Bible.

The Bible says - Don't change yourselves to be like the difficult (bad) people of this world. Remember to give your lives to God and follow what he teaches us. God has shown us great mercy and grace, Loving Jesus and being like him is most important to be safe in our life.

Remember how Christmas sacrifices -. Christmas kindness, warmth and affections as people are showing they care for others also. Christmas is a time of peace, hope, faith and Love. Just like the candles in the Christmas wreath.

I hope your Christmas will be blessed with everything wonderful and your New Year filled with JOY.



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Social we had



Christmas get together at RSA Swanson

Great place to have our Christmas Lunch. Great friends and a beautiful meal.

Johanna B, Michelle S, Glenn S, Des M, Barbara C, Brenda H, Beth and Rose

January Social



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Where: 20 January 2024

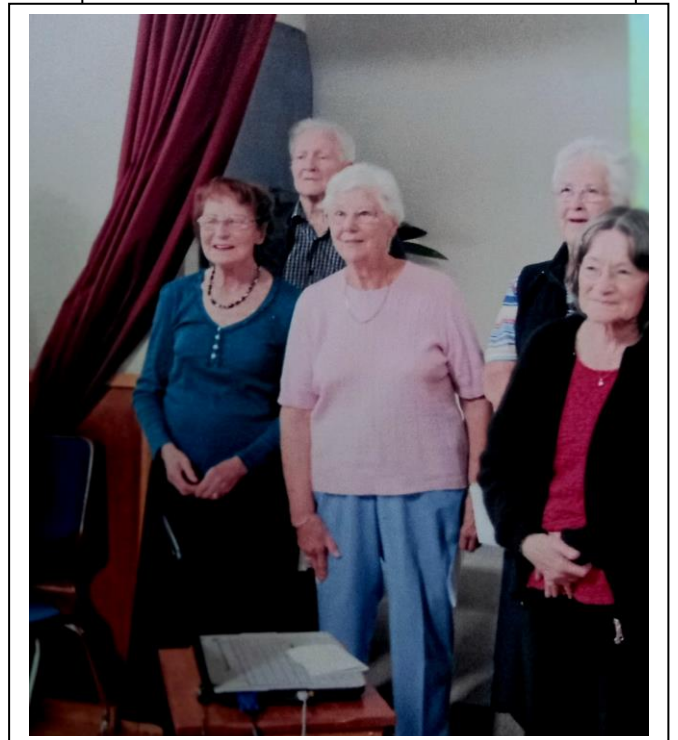
When: 2 pm

Where: Muffin Break St Lukes Mall, 80 Saint Lukes Road, Mount Albert,

Thomas (Tom) Gibling



Thomas Frederick
(Tom) Gibling. Died
peacefully on Sunday
10 December 2023,
aged 93 years.



Johanna Bren's tribute to TOM GIBLING

Read by Terry Moss.

Remembering Tom Gibling on behalf of Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship.

My sincere sympathy.

I think Tom has lived the longest/eldest man member of ADCF. In our 52 year history. Tom was a very caring gentle man, very faithful and loyal to his Lord God and to Rhona.

I have only known Tom and Rhona for 33 years, many others have known them for longer. Tom had 60 other years which I cannot comment on.

Tom has been a quiet, continuous humble caring man to those of us who have been privileged to know him. For his friends he has been a sensible steady wise friend. Tom did have a quiet sense of humour that only Deaf can really follow-very visual/expressions. Tom, you have been a real blessing here on earth and an amazing friend to many.

Rhona we know you will miss your best friend and husband Tom. We will do our best to keep visiting you and supporting you.

No-one will be the same without Tom in our lives.

I remember his 80th. birthday party. It was a really special time for many-Tom the humble caring friend,

Who can forget your new car because some 'low life' person thieved your car while looking for a new church venue. The Lord blessed you with your newer car, via Reverend Edna Garner's Trust for Deaf Ministry.

I remember Barbara, you and I looking through some photos of you Tom, and your family and learning about Tom's wrestling days, also Rhona walking quickly out to the garage to get Tom's leather wrestling boots and bringing a smile to all our faces, including Tom, as he told us some of those stories of those days. A champion and a quiet achiever. Well done good and faithful Tom. Your reward is now in heaven.

Thank you.

