



The “Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groaning’s too deep for words” (Romans 8:26)
What we can’t pray, Gods Spirit can. So therefore we are never without hope or help.

(Living the Battle plan)

The church is running one service at 10am. Evening services are on hold at present.

Duty Roster		12 July 2020	19 July 2020
Worship:	10am	Pastor Tai	Dan Heke
Sound:	10am	Jozsef Fityus	Anthony King
Data Projector:	10am	Matthew Ball	Shannon Heke
Door Greeters:	10am	Barbara & Jessica Kidd	Carol & Ian Dawson

AGM REPORTS: Church and Trust

It is the time of the year for all **Ministry Team Leaders** and **Group Leaders** to prepare their Annual Reports. We would like the following included:

1. Summary of what is happening.
2. Outcomes (Results)
3. Plans for the coming year.

Please email reports to ranuibaptist@xtra.co.nz by the end of July. Thank you.

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Sunday 5th July 2020

This Week's Service

10am
Communion



Pastor Lloyd

‘You are on a journey of Life Change’

Next Week's Service

10am

Pastor Lloyd

“Yesterday’s man or woman”?

Welcome Pastor Lloyd Ashworth

This week, we welcome Pastor Lloyd and his wife Judy to their first RBC service. Lloyd has taken on the role of Interim Pastor working 20 hours/week for the next 4 months. If you would like to meet with Pastor Lloyd, he will be available all day Wednesday. Please make an appointment to see him by ringing the church office on 8337815. You can also email him at ashworth@orcon.net.nz or for urgent needs; you can ring his mobile, 027 2778448.

Message from Pastor Lloyd

YOU ARE ON A LIFE JOURNEY OF CHANGE!

2 Corinthians 3.17 - 18 *'For the Lord is the Spirit and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom. So, all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord who is the Spirit - make us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image....'*

If you were asked to describe that image, what would you say? *Understanding the image of God, the loss of that image and recovery of that image will help you face life...* **Genesis 1.26-27** *So God created man in his own image he created him, male and female he created them*” If you are created in God's image, in what way do you reflect that image?

FOUR ways in which we are made in God's image.

God is Relational being - We are relational beings - we long for relationship

God is a Rational being - We are rational beings - capacity to learn and modify

God is an Emotional being - We are emotional beings - we feel stuff

God is a Volitional being - We are volitional beings - we choose the course of our lives

LOSS OF THE IMAGE

Instead of worshipping God and longing for relationship, allowing those emotions to so love God having this volitional likeness we chose to go it alone...and became glorious ruins. There is still something glorious about us because we are made in God's image - but the image is damaged. *This image is not totally lost.* It is marred, blurred, bent out of shape - some more than others!!!

Inside us, we long for relationship, so we hop from one to another seeking fulfilment, which can only be truly found in knowing God. We run after significance and seek promotion in career, status and financial security instead of understanding that our sense of worth comes from knowing God, and wealth only masks deep longings. We keep choosing the wrong things and allowing our feelings to dictate the direction of our lives.

RECOVERY OF THE IMAGE

2 Corinthians 3.18 *And the Lord who is the Spirit makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image....* **Romans 8.29** *'For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son....'*

What God wants to do is to recover his image in us. There are two ways in which this happens.

Immediate and complete - *At the cross of Calvary - a moment in time*

Gradual - *On the Calvary Road - a daily choice*

It begins by inviting Christ into your life, but is walked out by our daily choices.

I look back and say - “Well, I’m not what I was... equally, I’m not what I will be...the recovery of the image of God continues....until the day I take my last breath”!

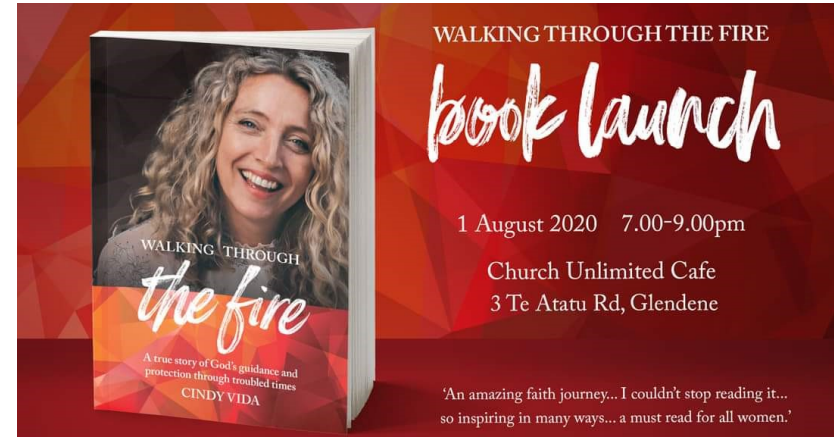
You are on a journey of lifelong change.

PLEASE NOTE: You can pick up a copy of Pastor Lloyd's Sermon from the foyer.

Women's Ministry

Our much loved Cindy Delaney (now Cindy Vida) has published a book about her life story and how God has led her through huge difficulties and woven throughout her life the golden strands of His hope.

She invites you to come to her book launch at the Church Unlimited Café on Saturday 1 August 2020 from 7.00 - 9.00pm.



Happening

Women's Monday Bible Study Group 10am - 12pm with Glenda Winn. In the Prayer Room. **PLEASE NOTE:** Women's Group will continue through the school holidays.

E.G (Young Adults H/G): Next group 13th July. Every 2nd Monday, 7pm -9pm Old Hall. Contact Matthew Ball.

Monday Night Prayer 1 Thessalonians 5:17 says to "pray without ceasing." Also, great men of God knew the power of fervent prayer. A quote by Alfred Tennyson says, "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams." Come let us pray. Start time is 7.30 pm. All welcome, see you there.

Second Chance Op Shop: Hours are Tuesday and Wednesday 10am - 2pm. Contact Myra Dormer or Ph. Church Office 8337815 **Note:** Please make any donations of quality clothing and goods to the Op-Shop during their open hours.

Transformation Youth Group: Wednesdays 4.45pm-7pm. Contact Gabe 021 037 9223

Wednesday Intercessors: 10-11.30am in the Prayer Room. Contact Christine Bartle

Sonshine Club 3.30pm— All those interested in being involved please let me know, your help would be appreciated. Thanks Christine Bartle.

Men's Group is meeting in the church on Thursdays at 7pm.

Friendship Group @ Ranui: Fridays from 10am till 12pm. Morning Tea provided. Contact Church office 8337815 for more information