

## Happening

**GROUPS UNDER TRAFFIC LIGHT ORANGE:** *(Please note - you may only attend groups if you are well.)*

**Toy Lending Library:** Open during the term fortnightly. Monday 11am-1pm. Contact Janet Kidd. **Next on 27th of June.**

**Second Chance Op Shop:** **NOTE: They are taking donations of good quality second hand Winter clothing only.** Open Tuesday's 10am—2pm. Contact Marianne Hunt for more information.

**Transformation Youth Group:** Wednesday 4.45pm-7pm. **On hold.**

**Mainly Music:** Thursday 10am. Contact Sherilyn 021 298 2762.

**Son-Shine Club:** Thursdays 3.15pm till 5pm. Contact Tino Segi 027 239 0448.

**Friendship Group @ Ranui:** Friday from 10am till 12pm. Morning Tea provided. Contact Myra Dormer or Ph. Church office 833 7815.

**Missions Prayer Meeting:** 1st Sunday of the Month after Morning Service. Contact Ronnie Nicolson.

**Women's Bible Study Group:** Monday 10am at Glenda's house, 6 Mantra Road in Massey. Contact Glenda Winn.

**Young Adults Group:** Every 2nd Tuesday, 7-9pm in the Café. Contact Matt Osborne.

**Monday Night Prayer:** Monday 7.30pm-8.30pm, prayer room. **On hold.**

**Intercessors:** Wednesday 10-11.30am in the Prayer Room. **On hold.**

**Men's Home group:** Thurs 7.00-9.00pm in the Café. John Blight or Tai Taua.

**Women's Fellowship, Prayer and Bible Women's group:** There is a Facebook messenger group of ladies within our Church. They are meeting on a Thursday evening on zoom 7-9pm and are finishing the last part of an alpha course at the moment. They pray, fellowship, and encourage one another. This group is open to all women in our Church and their friends. If you'd like to be added to this group contact; Penelope Dawson on penelopeanne.d@gmail.com or on Facebook messenger or contact Ronnie Nicolson.

**Moneymates:** Tuesday or Wednesday 10am—12pm. Contact Glenn Harris on 021 0902 7110 or gharris@careranui.org.nz .

Duty Roster	26th June	3rd July
Door Greeters	Sam & Sally Johnson-Chung	Heather Rowe & Maggie Henry
Notices	Cherith Telford	Rob Kidd

## Ranui Baptist Contact Information

**Interim Pastor:** Lloyd Ashworth

**Associate Pastor:** Tai Taua  
pastortai@ranuibaptist.org.nz

**Elders:** John Blight, Kristen Bettany, Rob Kidd, Peter Soole, Cherith Telford

**Office Manager:** Robert Murray

**Office Hours:** 8.30am to 12.30pm  
Monday to Friday

**Office Phone:** 833-7815

**Email:** ranuibaptist@xtra.co.nz

**Website:** www.ranuibaptist.org.nz

**Postal Address:** P.O. Box 70040,  
Ranui, Auckland 0655



## Sunday 19th June 2022

### This Week's Services

**10 am**

Lloyd Ashworth - Crossing the Great Two Divides -  
Ephesians 2

### Next Week's Service

**10 am**

Matt Osborne—Whether God Delivers us or Not, We Will  
not Bow Down—Daniel 3:17



See first His Kingdom and His righteousness,  
And all these things will be added to you.

**Matthew 6:33**

# Lloyd Ashworth

## CROSSING THE TWO GREAT DIVIDES – EPHESIANS 2

Ephesians chapter 2 really only has one main theme. That God has crossed the two great divides that have separated us from Him and us from each other. It's a chapter with great content about our sin condition and how helpless we are to fix ourselves. Then having crossed that great divide God sets about to reconcile people to each other. The best example of estrangement and enmity existed between the Jew and everyone else. The Jew considered themselves the special chosen people of God and in every way favoured and all others were outside of God's plan, purpose, and blessing.

Not so Paul teaches because the cross of Calvary has dealt to that! Now every people group, every nation and all have been invited to partake of Gods blessings, indeed even more than that we step right into the family and lineage which previously was only for the Jew.

What this now means is that God is creating a new community where race, colour and nationality matters not. Access to the very best blessings of God now is for all and this new community is to live out a new kingdom lifestyle free from the demands of the Jewish Law and sacrificial system.

Now the obvious application of this is that the church is now that new community where all walls and divides have been crossed and dismantled. If God can break down the separation between Jew and Gentile then He can deal to any broken relationship and estrangement.

The greatest news about all this is that you have to do nothing to receive this amazing gift of God. You are a corpse and completely dead! God comes to resurrect you to new life with him and with other people.

Why then is not the church today the best example of living out this great news? Well more about that next week!

### PRAYER MEETINGS:

We need to pray! Lloyd wishes to encourage you to come to Church from 9:15 am on a Sunday morning to pray for your church and its ministry. We need a breakthrough in a number of key areas of our Church life. And prayer is the key to moving forwards.

### PASTORAL CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE:

The pastoral call committee is still meeting and seeking the person for our senior pastors role – please keep praying!

### RANUI BAPTIST COMMUNITY CARE TRUST STAFFING UPDATE:

We have 1 paid position still available at Ranui Baptist Community Care. If you are interested in this Community Support Worker position please get in touch with our new Trust Manager Elesha Thomas at [manager@careranui.org.nz](mailto:manager@careranui.org.nz). Pray for our new staff as they settle into their new positions. And pray for the foodbank families that they assist every week.

### BEREAVEMENT NOTICE:

We wanted to let our congregation know that Denis Necklen has passed away. He and his wife April & their children used to attend RBC. They held a funeral service for him at Henderson Baptist on Friday at 2pm. Much love to his family during this time.

# Notices



### RBC WINTER THANKSGIVING MEAL

Plans are underway for our mid-year spit roast meal together, which will be a time of connection and thanksgiving. Thank you to those who have offered to help in the kitchen so far - much appreciated! We still need a few people to help clean up after the event, so please see **Jackie Demeter or Marian Blight** if you can help with this. Those who help in the kitchen will receive a free meal. Price of lunch to be decided & tickets to be sold from next week.

### ELDERS MEETING:

The elders are meeting on Tuesday the 21st of June at 5:30 at the Church.

### CHURCH OFFICE UPDATE:

A reminder that next Friday the 24th of June is the Matariki public holiday. So the Church office will be closed on Friday. All content for the newsletter must be in by Tuesday night. Lloyd will be in the office next week on Tuesday the 24th of June, not on Wednesday.

### IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SERVE?

We currently have a number of key areas in our church community that need fresh leadership. Is God speaking to you about any of the following areas? If so please speak to Pastor Lloyd or one of the Elders.

- Youth Ministry
- Children's Ministry
- Prayer Ministry
- Creche



### AN UPDATE ON GIVING AT CHURCH:

We have returned to using offering bags during our services to collect your offerings. So if you are one who likes to give in this way, please hold on to your offering until the bags are passed around during the service. We will no longer be using the wooden donations box.

Or you can continue to give through Online Banking;

Our Bank Account Number is: 12-3085-0164947-00

In the Particulars panel please state: your name

In the Code panel please state: offering

In the reference panel please state: your offering number (if you have one)

We appreciate your willingness and desire to continue to give your offerings to the Lord and support the ministries we provide - thank you!