

Happening

GROUPS UNDER TRAFFIC LIGHT RED:

Please note - you may only attend groups if you are well. If you have any symptoms (cough, runny nose, fever, body aches, etc) you must stay home. Limits of 25 persons per group.

Toy Lending Library: Open during the term. Monday 11am-1pm. Contact Janet Kidd. **On Hold.**

Second Chance Op Shop: NOTE: They are taking donations of good quality second hand 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 Sampson 021 298 2762. **On hold.**

Son-Shine Club: Thursdays 3.15pm till 5pm. Contact Tino Segi 027 239 0448. **Starting Back 31st March.**

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 in the Prayer Room. Contact Glenda Winn. **On hold until Orange Light.**

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: Wed 10am—12pm. Contact Glenn Harris on 8325961. **On hold.**

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Sunday 20th March 2022

This Week's Service

10 am

Pastor Lloyd Ashworth—What's your Shape?

Next Week's Services

10 am

Pastor Lloyd Ashworth



Persistence is a necessary part of praying effectively. Whether God answers in twenty minutes or twenty years, we should never give up on Him.

Living the Battle Plan

Lloyd Ashworth

WHAT IS YOUR SHAPE?

“For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do” Ephesians 2:10.

Today I am going to attempt to share with you an overview of a topic that is very dear to my heart. The material I share with you today is usually the basis of a week-long conference or is sometimes done in a day-long seminar. Well, I'm going to try and give you a taste of it in just 20 minutes! This is not to say you will be able to digest it fully but it just might give you a taste of self-discovery that results in you going on a journey to discover more how God has uniquely wired you for His purposes.

The word SHAPE is an acrostic that has five main components. It is based on some powerful truths straight out of God's Word. That is: That you are wonderfully and uniquely made, that you have been made as a composite mix for special purposes. And that it is only by discovering your 'shape' that you can truly fulfill what God had in mind when He made you and that in discovering and doing this you will be amazed at how enjoyable, fulfilling, and stimulating your life can be!

Well here it is then: SHAPE

S – What is your SPIRITUAL GIFT - Based on the scripture passages but wait there is more than the lists we usually turn to.

H – What is your HEART PASSION – Most of us carry passionate convictions and desires that came from where? How do these fit into God's purposes?

A – What are your NATURAL ABILITIES – Somehow we are made with skills and abilities that we never chose nor earned. Where did these come from?

P – What is your PERSONALITY – What we are passionate about and our abilities are expressed through personality. God gave you this, what is yours?

E – What are your LIFE EXPERIENCES – Each of us face different life experiences that profoundly shape who we are and how we see the world.

Today I want to encourage you to see your SHAPE and how God has made you for the purposes He prepared for you. The powerful combination of all five of these is the real you. It welds together the natural, the spiritual, emotional, and the physical.

Today I hope to stir you to begin again and to go on a journey of discovery to find the 'truly unique you' that God wants to use.

Being a follower of Jesus should be the most exhilarating and exciting adventure of life!

On a personal note: Judy and I thank you for allowing us to be part of your church journey over the last 18 months. We will take these six weeks away to give you some space as a congregation and we too will be praying about any further ministry involvement we might have.

Pastor Lloyd

Notices

PASTOR LLOYD & JUDY:

Pastor Lloyd & Judy will be leaving for six weeks after next Sunday. Pastor Tai together with a preaching team set in place and our worship teams will lead our Sunday services over that time.



THE HOPE PROJECT:

Each year the gospel message is distributed in houses across our nation by the HOPE Project organisation. We have been asked if we will act again this year as an area facilitator in our immediate locality. **Sam Johnson-Chung** has agreed to coordinate this and manage the preparation of materials and maps. A sign-up sheet for your involvement will be handed around on the Sunday Service. Please put your name down. We will be in touch with you about this.

CALL COMMITTEE:

Pray for the Call Committee as they make important decisions and conduct interviews over the next two weeks. It's important to know clearly God's choice. Pray that the person of God's choice will come clearly to the fore.



SUNDAY SERVICES:

These will continue over the coming weeks. Next week the open service will be in the café and the vaccine pass gathering will be in the main auditorium. We anticipate needing to persist with this for a few more weeks - thank you for your patience and understanding. We will meet as one gathering as soon as possible. There is much to be done to re-connect our church and we are seeking your help to do this. We will be talking about this more in the coming weeks.