## Happening

**Toy Lending Library:** fortnightly in School term. Mon 11-1pm. Contact Janet Kidd. **Second Chance Op Shop: NOTE: They are taking donations of good quality second hand Summer clothing, linen & household items only.** Open Tuesday's 10am—2pm. Contact Elesha Thomas for more information.

**Children's Ministry:** Sunday mornings during the service. Contact Charlene Pehi for more information 021 0233 7644.

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

**Son-Shine Club:** Thursdays 3.15 -5pm. Contact Elesha Thomas 027 7111 032. **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:** Mondays 10 am - 12 pm at Glenda's home in Massey. Contact Glenda Winn 022 647 0021

**Young Adults Group:** Every 2nd Tuesday, 7-9pm in the Café. Contact Matt Osborne. **Intercessors:** Wednesday 9:30-10.45am in the Prayer Room, followed by tea & cake. Contact Rosanne Martin 022 128 4890.

**Men's Home group:** Thurs 7.00-9.00pm in the Café. John Blight or Tai Taua. **Women's Fellowship, Worship, Prayer, and Bible Study:** "The Thursday Nighters" on Thursday evenings 7 pm - 9 pm in Ranui.

There's a Facebook Messenger group associated with the Thursday Nighters that helps us keep in touch. This group warmly welcomes all women in our church and their friends.Contact Ronnie Nicolson 021 027 07540

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

Duty Roster	30th October	6th November
Door Greeters	Barbara & Jessica kidd	
Notices	John Blight	

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# Sunday 23rd October 2022

## **This Week's Services**

10 am - Lloyd Ashworth - Re-shape Message Series #5 We value freedom over control



## Next Week's Service

10 am - Lloyd Ashworth - Ten Timeless Verses #1

## Lloyd Ashworth

#### RESHAPING THE CHURCH – MESSAGE 5 – FINAL MESSAGE We value freedom over control

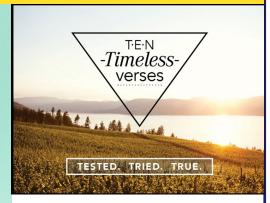
The long-standing (and certainly sometimes true) complaint in many churches and faith communities is that people hate being part of something where they feel controlled. Actually, the issue is broader than the church. It was against the tyranny of control that world wars have been fought, and people have rallied around causes like apartheid and any number of issues where a strong minority wants to assert power over others for their own ends. Jesus however showed us a different way. His way is not always easy to walk but he led by example (costing him his life). Jesus taught a new way of freedom for his followers. His community was to be based on equality and mutual loving care of each other. Leaders were to model servanthood even to the point of self-denial. This is the radical message underneath what we call the sermon on the mount that Jesus gave where he spoke of an 'upside down' kingdom where instead of control, freedom would reign. The last would be first, a sharing of possessions, time, and talents would result in enough for everyone, and when people asked for something you would surprise them by outgiving their request. How far from these awesome values we have strayed. Now churches are more successful when they have the latest sound and lighting systems in place and air-conditioned premises! Churches grow seemingly where its leaders make dictatorial requests and those same leaders somehow keep themselves removed from the rough and tumble of everyday people. Today's message is about trying to describe the kind of freedom we want to endorse as a church moving forwards. We are not against leadership or decision making but it's more what we are for that matters! I hope it inspires you towards living out Jesus' radical kingdom here at Ranui.



Membership

Charlene Pehi has been visited for membership. First Notice.

## Hospitality Events 23rd October 30th October 6th November 13th November Cooked Lunch 13th November Cooked Lunch \$5 20th November Cakes & Biscuits -Koha



**NEW PREACHING SERIES:** Pastor Lloyd will be starting a new summer preaching series next week. 10 weeks, 10 timeless verses , 10 inspiration messages!

# AGM 6 November

Following the Sunday morning service

The RBC & RBCC Trust booklets are available through the email newsletter, Or collect a hard copy from the foyer today!

#### FROM THE LATEST ELDERS MEETING:

- We endorsed the most recent financial report which shows we are in a good position with income and expenditures.
- We received a further update from property committee on three issues, the painting of the church roofing, continued work required to address drainage issues and a staged development and renovation of our church hall. These three issues are ongoing and will be addressed over the coming twelve months and each is requiring careful preparation, quotes and a significant amount of research to get the right outcome.
- The office closure dates over the Christmas New Year period was agreed. The church office will close **December 21st and re-open Jan 16th.**
- We tabled a policy document being prepared for the church and trust on conflict of interest. This will be considered at our next meeting.

# Coming Up