### 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. For more information Contact Charlene Pehi 021 0233 7644.

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

**Son-Shine Club:** Thursdays 3.15 -5pm. Contact Ella Kaihau 027 390 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:** 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	11th December	18th December
Door Greeters	Barbara & Jessica Kidd	Heather Rowe & Maggie Henry
Notices	Cherith Telford	Rob Kidd

## **Ranui Baptist Contact Information**

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## **Sunday 4th December 2022**

### **This Week's Services**

10 am - Lloyd Ashworth - Matthew 11:28-30

#### & Communion



### Next Week's Service

10 am - Tai Taua

## **Lloyd Ashworth**

#### The Yoke is on You! Matthew 11:28-30

Why is it that in our lives we get stuff sorted so late in life that there is little time left to gain the benefit of the wisdom we have learned? Have you wondered about that? When we are young we are passionate about our performance and achievements and upon those, it seems our future success depends, on our promotion, our self-worth, and even our bank balance! And all around us we live with measurements of how well we have met our goals, become that husband or wife or parent that we so want to be. Yet coming to today's verse somehow all this gets turned on its head and we discover the kingdom way of measuring success is not achieved in a competitive environment but in a relationship of working yoked to Jesus and the Spirit. Underlying this amazing truth is the knowledge that each of us has a different gifting and capacity and we are not to compare ourselves to each other but to what God has specifically called each of us to do. If you are to carry a certain yoke then you will be gifted and enabled to do that. To do more is not what you are called to do. To do something different is not what you are to do. Each of us is to do only that which we are asked and gifted to do. In my message today my closing points are three, we need to refuse the expectations of **obligation** and understand **ownership**, we then will make working kingdom choices based on **relationship** and not **religious** expectation, And lastly, we will enjoy serving Christ in partnership and not the world's measurement of performance. Well, there they are – two 'os' two 'rs', and two 'ps'. I hope you will enjoy this Christmas voked to Jesus and the Spirit and find His way is easy and light!



CAROL SER

23rd December 7pm

followed by complementary Cake, Tea & Coffee

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#### CHRISTMAS FAMILY CAROL SERVICE:

Plans are well underway for our Christmas Carol Service! We are planning to do a flyer delivery to local homes in Ranui. If you are able to help out with the delivery please get in touch with Sam Johnson-Chung or put your name down on the clipboard during the service on Sunday.

## **Coming Up**



## **Volunteers needed - Christmas Lunch**

Saturday 17th December Table Setup Table Decorations Food Preparation Spit Roast Sunday 18th December Food Preparation continued Serving Food Dishes & Kitchen Cleanup Clearing Tables Sweeping Floors

Please sign up on the sheets in the cafe or see Marian for more information

#### **CHRISTMAS HAMPER UPDATE:**

**Thank you** so much to all of you who have generously donated so far to the Christmas Hamper appeal. So far we have received just over \$4500!! The cost to put together a hamper is around \$120 - it's not too late to donate!

# Hospitality Events 4th December CAKES & BISCUITS - KOHA 11th December CAKES & BISCUITS - KOHA 18th December CHRISTMAS LUNCH -S7 TICKET 25th December NO SERVICE

#### **<u>RESULTS OF MEMBERS</u>** MEETING LAST SUNDAY:

We look forward to Grahame Walker starting as full time senior pastor in February. Save the Date - Commissioning service on 12 February 2023.

