

## Happening

**Toy Lending Library:** fortnightly in School term. Tues 11-1pm. Contact Janet Kidd.

**Second Chance Op Shop:** **NOTE: They are unable to accept donations of clothing at this time.** Open Tuesday's 10am—2pm. Contact Elesha Thomas for more information.

**Children's Ministry:** Sunday mornings during the service. See Rachel McMahon.

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

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

**Women's Bible Study Group:** Mondays 10 am - 12 pm at Glenda's home in Massey. Contact Glenda Winn 022 647 0021

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

Duty Roster	28th January	4th February
Door Greeters	Henry & Marlene van Sitter	TBC
Notices	John Blight	TBC

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## Sunday 21st January 2024

**This Week's Service:**

**Sunday 21st January**

10 am - Grahame Walker - Viral Verses Isaiah 40:31

\*Children in the service

**Next Week's Service:**

**Sunday 28th January**

10 am - Tai Taua

\*Children in the service

# Grahame Walker

## Isaiah 40:31

The most Vital verse of 2022 was Isaiah 40:31 "but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint". These were words God had Isaiah prophesy for the era of exile decades in the future. Exile meant that the promised land Jerusalem and the Temple were lost. Captured and destroyed. Isaiah speaks to people who have lost hope. They will Have to wait with Hope. God hasn't forgotten them.

Hope allows us to face the present, no matter how difficult our present may be. Hope helps us to see the present with new eyes. Hope can propel us forward. It's about living in the hope that the God who cares can act and will give you the strength that you need as you move forward. He will give you strength when you're weary. He will give you power when you're weak. You are a child of God and he will care for you.

If you'd like a copy of the sermon notes you can collect them from the foyer.  
Or visit our website [www.ranuibaptist.org.nz/sermons/](http://www.ranuibaptist.org.nz/sermons/)

COME AND JOIN US  
FOR 90 MINUTES  
OF VICTORIOUS  
PRAYER

Wednesdays at 930am

In the Prayer Room

Followed by  
morning tea

Contact Rosanne  
0221284890 for  
more information



# Coming Up

MUSIC, ART, COMMUNITY

WHAKANGAHAU KOTAHI



FESTIVAL ONE 26-29 JANUARY '24

HARTFORD, KARAPIRO

## FESTIVAL ONE:

Festival One is a multi-day, Christian Festival on Auckland & Waikato Anniversary Weekend, 26 - 29 Jan 2024. Located at Hartford, 209 Whitehall Road, Karapiro. Festival One is in its tenth year and has a broad range of fantastic artists, lots of opportunities for the creative arts, and a few other surprises. Our goal is to create community in the church through music, art and culture. This will be achieved through organic growth, an annually progressing teaching curriculum and outstanding music and arts.

Visit [festival.one](http://festival.one) for more information and tickets.

## THE SAFETY NET PROJECT:

The Safety Net is a community-driven, youth-centred initiative aimed at ensuring that young people's experience of homelessness is brief, rare, and non-recurring.

Massey Community Trust has a vision to create a network of host homes which would offer safe, emergency accommodation for rangatahi in west Auckland. The goal of short term host homes is to provide a safe temporary and welcoming space for a young person, giving them time to reconnect with whanau or make decisions about other housing options.

The safety net project is about empowering community, mobilising community resources and caring adults and communicating to rangatahi that their community cares and is putting that care into action by literally opening up their doors.

We want to match people in the community with the capacity to help provide temporary accommodation with those who need it. And our vision is to create a model that can be replicated consistently, allowing other trusts and community organisations to take the same ball and run with it in their local area.

Visit <https://www.masseycommunitytrust.org/safety-net-project>

Anyone interested in finding out more, contact Grahame Walker 021 834 077

## MISSION WITHOUT BORDERS MONTHLY PRAYER CALENDAR:

The monthly Prayer Calendar for Mission Without Borders is accessible through their website via the link below. Or if you prefer a hard copy you can pick up a printed copy from the foyer on Sunday Morning. Visit; <https://mwb.org.nz/get-involved/pray>