

# News

## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to those celebrating birthdays this month. If you're a regular attendee, or new to Papsda and you are celebrating your birthday or anniversary, but your name isn't on the list below, it possibly means that your details are not in our database. See the team at the Information Desk to complete a Papsda Attender card.

**May Birthdays:** 1 - Lorraine Laurie, 4 - Yeleti Katoa, Ashley Marshall, Fergus Reay, 5 - Julie Hardwick, 6 - Courtney Ahsin-Moore, Matthew Inglis, Ru Timutimu, 7 - Debbie Paulson-Wilson 8 - Giovanni Diamante, Glorietta Leota, 10 - Janese Fredericks, Caitlyn Fredericks, Kevin Inglis, Juan-dré Louw, 11 - Aiven Brown, 12 - Lillian Thomas, 13 - Michael Cannon, Norman Hurlow, Brett Tomkins, 14 - Renee Muir, Fine Teulilo, 15 - Jenna-Lea Tint, Ethan van Wijk, 16 - Colin Hutchins, Anne Williamson, Maurice Cosseboom, 17 - Andrew Davidson, KJirstne Jensen, 18 - Terri-Anne Katoa, Jordan Newport, 21 - Roger Marshall, Marie-Anne Marais, 23 - Michael Inglis, 24 - Bronwyn Summerscale 25 - Anginie Prasad, Denzel Puna, Susana Simamao, Seanoa Viliamu, 28 - Sifiso Zikalali, 29 - Richard Newson, Joshua Teulilo, Nicole Nelson, 30 - Timothy Clarke, 31 - Leanne Davies

## Wedding Anniversaries

Graham & Joanne Macdonald ..... 4th May  
Ben & Patty Pienaar ..... 7th May  
Naomi & Uani Katoa ..... 8th May  
Keith & Heather Blackburne ..... 14th May  
Michael & Melda Alach ..... 28th May

## Words of Wisdom

"The willingness to forgive may be a choice, but the ability to forgive comes after gaining greater understanding."

## NEW 360 WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE

A brand new website had just been launched for our 360 Teens & Youth. With up to date information on upcoming events and links to Facebook where you can invite your friends, this is a site that is definitely worth a bookmark! Check out the new design at [www.360.org.nz](http://www.360.org.nz)

Also make sure you take a look at the new 360 page on Facebook. By 'liking' the page, you will have events appear on your newsfeed rather than having to visit the Facebook Group manually to find out the latest Information. A much easier way of making sure you are up to date with what's happening if you are a Facebook regular!



# Snapshots



'Day 7' at the Early Easter Celebration on April 16.

Autumn seemed to appear in all its golden glory over April. As our days chilled down, we had lots to celebrate at Papsda, with baptisms, 360 Connect Camp, our Early Easter Celebration, a wedding and even a visit to the Primary School Gala Day.

The Extreme Group had a special Sabbath School called 'India Day' where they got to sample real Indian Cuisine, while the 360 Connect Camp in Cambridge got to experience 'The Blob', a giant inflatable "diving board" that propelled them into the water!

Pictured right are Shaun & Eric with Norman on their baptism day; congratulations on your fantastic decision! And congratulations also goes to Kirsten Marais & Matthew Ockleston who were married on the 17th of April. We wish you all the best for your lives together!



MAY 2011

**PAPSDA**  
PAPATOETOE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST COMMUNITY CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

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**The Big Questions of Life** | Since the beginning of this year it seems that we have had an unprecedented amount of natural disasters, particularly with what has happened in Christchurch being very close to home. Following closely on the heels of that earthquake was a much larger one in Japan creating a Tsunami that killed many more people. That in turn created a potential nuclear disaster that hasn't yet been resolved.

There have been many reactions from different people to all that has happened. From initial fear that the movie 2012 was right and that we are on the precipice of the end of the world, to the almost gleeful 'Yes we were right' response of some who think this indicates that Jesus is about to return. Merging this into the way bigger picture of what is happening in our world with revolutions happening throughout the Middle East, and the West becoming more involved in another war in Libya, what we are certain of is that all is not well in this world. Deep down we know that this is not what our lives were made for.

During May we explore some of the big questions of life. Why is all this happening? Does God care about what is happening here? Is God indeed the cause of it to punish all the wrongdoing? Does this signal that the end is almost here? What is God really like? What does the Bible indicate about these things? And how should we respond in times like this?

The bottom line is that we believe God is desperately loving of all humanity while at the same time we wonder why He doesn't intervene to stop the pain and suffering. But perhaps there could be another option? What are your thoughts? Each week we will share some ideas during our services, but the big purpose is that each of us may explore this more fully for ourselves, as we spend time with God reading His word, and in meeting together in Life Groups and discussing it together. The question for you and me, is will we take some time this month to do just that?

Stephen Davies



# What's On?

## 360 Contagious Christian Course

360 Contagious Christian is for all Youth aged 18+ and is all about sharing God. If we want to share Christ, we need to know Him first. On 29-30 April we want to do just that. We want to catch up, see where we're at, have some fun, eat some great food and talk about what we know or don't know about God, & discuss how that affects our every day lives. For more details visit [www.360.org.nz](http://www.360.org.nz) or email [belynda@papsda.co.nz](mailto:belynda@papsda.co.nz).



## Nobody's Boy Production

Nobody's Boy is a dramatic musical production based on the ancient story of Jacob & Esau. With a cast & crew of over 60 people, this musical is a modern portrayal of an age old search for identity. This year there will be one performance of Nobody's Boy at Papsda before the team go on tour to Brisbane Adventist College. Come along and support our Papsda Teens & Youth on the 21st of May at this special production. Tickets are available online at [www.360.org.nz](http://www.360.org.nz) or by phoning Esther at the church office 278-7786. Please see our website [www.360.org.nz](http://www.360.org.nz) for further information.



## C.H.I.P.

C.H.I.P. (Coronary Health Improvement Project) is a five-week intensive lifestyle education program designed to help you better understand your health, what damages your health and how to combat that damage. C.H.I.P. commences Sunday, 1 May 2011. To register, or for more information, visit [www.papsda.co.nz/chip](http://www.papsda.co.nz/chip) or call the Papsda Office on 278 7786



## Bluetooth

*Noun: connecting together.* The Bluetooth Course will empower you to be able to facilitate dynamic heart felt inductive discussions that are Bible based. Understand the beauty of question based conversation and learn the tools to lead people to self realization with the conviction God has for them through the group discussion format. This fantastic course is run by Richard Newson and will start on May 16. For registrations visit [www.papsda.co.nz/lifegroups\\_training](http://www.papsda.co.nz/lifegroups_training)



## Amazing Race

Decipher the clues & crack the codes on this race throughout Auckland. Join us on May 7 at 6pm for a 360 & Young Adult Challenge that guarantees loads of fun and even some prizes! \$5 per person, which goes towards our Project Africa community service trip in July. For more details or to enter a team of 4-6 people, email [liz@papsda.co.nz](mailto:liz@papsda.co.nz) or visit our Facebook Page and look under events for details.



## Kids Service Project

On May 14 between 3-4pm, all the children from the Treehouse & Extreme Groups are invited to meet in the Treehouse to create giveaways for the children at the Khomelela Community Centre in South Africa. Come along and make something special for one of the children there!



## Project Africa

A group meeting will be held for all those involved with Project Africa on May 7 at 2pm in the Upper West Wing. The dates for the Africa Mission Trip have been moved to accommodate more people who want to come along. The new dates are 14-31 July 2011. This is during the School Holidays instead of the University Holidays. For more information visit [www.papsda.co.nz/internationalprojects](http://www.papsda.co.nz/internationalprojects)



# May Calendar

\*ROOM KEY | UWW = Upper West Wing | LWW = Lower West Wing

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY   SABBATH
<b>1</b> 7:00pm C.H.I.P begins - LWW	<b>2</b> 7:00pm Relate - Dining Room  7:00pm Toolbox Parenting Course - LWW	<b>3</b> 7:30pm Elders Meeting	<b>4</b> 9:30am Community Playgroup  7:00pm Living Wisdom - LWW	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7:00pm 360 Nothing Much	<b>7</b> 9:30am 11:00am Bible Discussion Groups Worship Service: "Why Pain & Suffering?" Speaker: Stephen Davies Church Lunch Project Africa Team Meeting Prayer Gathering 360/ Young Adult Amazing Race Challenge  <b>CAMP COLLIDE - FAMILY CAMP</b>
<b>8</b> 7:00pm C.H.I.P - LWW  <b>CAMP COLLIDE</b>	<b>9</b> 7:00pm Relate - Dining Rom  7:00pm Toolbox - LWW	<b>10</b> 7:30pm Footsteps AGM	<b>11</b> 9:30am Community Playgroup  7:00pm Living Wisdom - LWW	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 9:30am 11:00am Bible Discussion Groups Worship Service: "Why Judgement? Part 1" Speaker: Norman Hurlow Children's Service Project  <b>360 BRISBANE TOUR</b>
<b>15</b> 7:00pm C.H.I.P - LWW	<b>16</b> 7:00pm Relate - Dining Room  7:00pm Toolbox - LWW  7:30pm Bluetooth - UWW	<b>17</b> 12 pm 60s+ Outing  7:30 pm Admin Board Meeting	<b>18</b> 9:30am Community Playgroup  7:00pm Living Wisdom - LWW	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 7:30pm Praise Hymn - Bethesda	<b>21</b> 9:30am 11:00am Bible Discussion Groups Worship Service: "Why Judgement? Part 2" Speaker: Norman Hurlow Church Lunch Prayer Gathering Nobody's Boy  <b>360 BRISBANE TOUR</b>
<b>22</b> 7:00pm C.H.I.P - LWW	<b>23</b> 7:00pm Relate - UWW  7:00pm Toolbox - LWW  7:30pm Bluetooth - UWW	<b>24</b> 7:30pm Elders Meeting	<b>25</b> 9:30am Community Playgroup  7:00pm Living Wisdom - LWW	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 9:30am 11:00am Bible Discussion Groups Worship Service  <b>360 BRISBANE TOUR</b>
<b>29</b> 7:00pm C.H.I.P - LWW	<b>30</b> 7:00pm Relate - Dining Room  7:00pm Toolbox - LWW  7:30pm Bluetooth - UWW	<b>31</b> 7:00pm Elders Meeting	<b>June Preview</b>			
<b>360 BRISBANE TOUR</b>			<p><b>4 June:</b> Auckland Regional Meeting Auckland Adventist Churches combined Sabbath @TelstarClear Stadium</p> <p><b>18-19 June:</b> Extreme Connect Camp</p> <p><b>11 June:</b> Project Africa Fundraising Social Project Africa Charity Auction &amp; International Food Festival</p>			

# Prayer Gathering

Every 1st & 3rd Sabbath of the month in the Lower West Wing. Meet with us on the 7th & 21st of May as we seek God's leading in our lives & pray for those around us.