

HOFFINGING HOPE TO NEW ZEALAND

November 2023

Prayer Requests

Opportunities and boldness to share the gospel

Salvation

The children of our church Joel

Christine

Noah

Jason

Joel

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Mary Jo

Leukemia

Hannah

Health Concerns

Amy – needs kidney
Mary Ann and Remil's Dad – Stroke
Fiona Murray
Jen's dad – health
Pastor Brett's mom – health
Mrs. Shirley – dealing with vertigo
John and Pauline Mulrooney
-Daughter Joanna
-John's brother – stage 4 cancer
Pauline Mulrooney's mum
Benvicio – stage 4 cancer

Praises

Pablo's Visa was approved Magelyn is now in country

Grace Quinlan 4year old with

Greetings from Ashburton New Zealand!

Thank you all for your faithful prayers and financial support of Jenny and I and our ministry here in New Zealand. God has been so good to us, as He always is. We praise Him for what He has done in our lives and the lives of our church people.

On Wednesday evenings, I have been preaching on prayer. A subject that cannot be exhausted and it has caused our prayer life to improve. Our prayer is that it has helped our people as well. During the ladies Bible study on Tuesday evenings that Jenny is leading, she has been teaching a study on prayer as well. Specifically how we serve a God who hears AND answers prayers as the Psalmist said in *Psalm 65:2 "O thou that hearest prayer, Unto thee shall all flesh come."* We have seen God answer the prayers of our church in various areas from job opportunities to visa situations and mores! It is exciting to pray for something together as a church and see God answer that prayer. God builds up the faith of our church as we see God answering prayers.

Ephesians 6:19 "And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,"

This last month, Jenny and I have been praying for a specific need for our ministry here. We did not share the need with anyone, we simply prayed and asked the Lord to provide if it was His will. Jenny shared the request with one teen and asked her to pray along with us. The very next week, God miraculously answered that prayer through a supporting church! We were so delighted to share with the teenager how God had provided. She was in awe that God answered so quickly! How exciting it is when God answers our specific prayer request, and that we were able to share it with that young lady.

In October, we had a church-wide community outreach day. Twenty-six people showed up including children and we were able to distribute over 2,000 tracts and invitations in our community! This month, we will have another outreach day with the goal of distributing another 2,000. The outreach days have excited the people, and many have asked for tracts throughout the week that they can distribute, and we are happy to provide what is needed for them to "...go out into the streets and lanes of the city...and into the highways and hedges..." (Luke 14:21a; 23b). We want Victory Baptist Church to reach Ashburton! Though we are a small group, we know that God can, and will, do "...exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think..."

At the end of October we had our first Family Fun Night. We were able to rent a space and had fun, food and fellowship and games. We had a fun time outside of church to simply enjoy being together as a church family. Additionally, on the last Sunday night of the month of October, we had an evening of singing. We encouraged those who would, to sign up and sing a song. We had such a great evening singing praises to our God and learning that we have many talented singers in our church. We look forward to having those folks use their talents for the Lord in future services.

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Last but absolutely not least of all, we held our Missions Month in August and heard from four men who are missionaries and pastors both here in New Zealand as well as other parts of the world. Our church committed to give enough to take on all four of these men! We are thrilled to have been able to increase our reach around the world with the Gospel through Faith Promise Missions. We give ALL the praise and Glory to God for how He has worked mightily in the life of our church. We have seen growth spiritually, which is vital to the health of our church.

Please continue to pray for us as we reach out to our community this Christmas season.

We also want to wish you all a very blessed Thanksgiving and may the Lord richly bless you this year as you serve Him.

We thank God for each of you for your faithful prayers and support. May God richly bless you as you serve him. If you would be interested in planning a mission trip to Ashburton, please let us know as soon as possible. Our summer months here are a perfect time to get away from the cold wintery months in the US.

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Bob Ross Painting Night with the teens



Getting ready for community letterboxing Our letterboxing crew of 26!





Sunday night service



Wednesday service in our home



Pastor holding the babies



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