IN THE LORD'S SERVICE – THANK YOU

| | This Week | Next Week |
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| Worship Leader | Marty | Robert W |
| Music Leader | Anthony Y | Rea |
| Bible Reader | Michael | Michael/Jeff |
| Ushers | Clement, lain | Tony Wong, Robert W |
| Techno | Harvey, Anthony K | Rose |
| Cup of Tea Dishes | Michelle L, Joanna C, Jean | Gena, Emily, Francis |

HOME GROUPS

| | Leader | Meeting time | Location |
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| CANTONESE GROUP | Albert Ko | Saturday fortnightly @ 4pm | @ Alex Wong Toi's Contact Albert Ko 021 753 912 |
| CANTONESE ALBANY GROUP | Peter Zen | 1st & 3rd Friday @ 8pm | @ Peter Zen's 021 280 8663 |
| GREENLANE GROUP | Glenda Choy | Thursday fortnightly @ 8pm | @ Glenda Choy's 021 148 7956 |
| ISAAC GROUP | Lydia Lam | Friday weekly @ 7.30pm | @ ACPC 105 Vincent Street, City |
| LADIES' HOME GROUP | Glenda Choy | Wednesday fortnightly @ 10.30am | @ Glenda Choy's 524 9391 |
| MEADOWBANK GROUP | Tony Wai | Wednesday (3 weekly) @ 7pm | Contact Tony Wai |
| NEWMARKET GROUP | Robert O'Callahan | Wednesday fortnightly @ 6:30pm | Robert O'Callahan's office - Level 7 5 Short St, Newmarket 021 783 289 |
| REMUERA GROUP | Ken Cheung | 2 nd and 4 th Saturday @ 10am | @ Quin Gee's Contact Ken 021 431607 |
| TERTIARY GROUP | Genaetta Shew | Wednesday weekly @ 7.30pm | @ ACPC 105 Vincent Street, City |

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ENGLISH MINISTRY SERVICE

6th May 2012

Speaker: Pastor Mark Maney Theme: The Impossible Faith: Expect the Unexpected Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-5; Acts 17:18



We extend a very warm welcome to everyone to this morning's service. You are invited to stay for morning tea after the service.

CHRIST WAS RAISED TO LIFE

My friends, I want you to remember the message that I preached and that you believed and trusted. ²You will be saved by this message, if you hold firmly to it. But if you don't, your faith was all for nothing. ³I told you the most important part of the message exactly as it was told to me. That part is:



Christ died for our sins, as the Scriptures say. ⁴ He was buried, and three days later He was raised to life, as the Scriptures say. ⁵ Christ appeared to Peter, then to the twelve.

1 Corinthians 15:1-5

PRAYERS

- Pastor Mark's ministry and the ministry of all at ACPC
- A Cantonese speaking ordained minister for ACPC
- The ACPC Settlement Board and their meeting this Friday
- Outreach and service through Merge Cafe, St David's Foodbank and Presbyterian Support Northern's Enliven



- Rhema New Zealand and Shine TV reaching out to the community through radio, television and the internet
- The civic and national leaders of New Zealand for wise government and decisions

THE PAPERBAG CLUB

Do you have children of family, friends, neighbours who would enjoy coming along to a fun-filled afternoon on a monthly basis? The Paperbag Club meets on the first Saturday of the month from 4.00 to 5.30pm, catering for young people and youth aged 8 to 13. We have games, a guest performer/activity and refreshments.

We had a great time yesterday afternoon with Tim Choy teaching us some breakdance moves – there were some pretty quick learners there



too. Next month, Brendon Fraser will be teaching us some magic tricks.

Parents are invited to stay and enjoy the atmosphere and fellowship as well. See Michelle Lam, Joanna Chiu or Jean Wong for more information.

HOW DO I CONTACT PASTOR MARK?

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SERMON NOTES



Be strong and of good courage... Deuteronomy 31:6

Over and over in Scripture God says things like, 'Be strong and of good courage, do not...be afraid...for the Lord...goes with you' (Deuteronomy 31:6 NKJV). Why? To bring out the best in us!

The history books are full of stories of gifted people whose talents were overlooked until someone believed in them. Einstein was four years old before he could speak. Isaac Newton did poorly in primary school. A newspaper editor fired Walt Disney because he had 'no good ideas'. Tolstoy dropped out of college.

There's a lesson here: people develop at different rates. To motivate them you must always be on the outlook for hidden capacities. Your words create an environment in which people not only discover their gifts, but also develop and excel in them.



John Erskine, Professor of English at Colombia University, was an educator, concert pianist, author of 60 books, president of the Juilliard School of Music, and a popular and witty lecturer. Writing

about that remarkable career, his wife, Helen, attributed it to his 'defiant optimism'. 'He was a good teacher,' she said, 'because of his own excitement for learning and his trust in the future.' He would say to her, 'Let's tell our young people that the best books are yet to be written; the best paintings have not yet been painted; the best governments are yet to be formed; the best is yet to be done by them.'

Within every human being there is a God-given drive to achieve something. If you tap into that drive and demonstrate that you believe in their future, they'll do almost anything to live up to your expectations.

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