

## IN THE LORD'S SERVICE – THANK YOU

	This Week	Next Week
Worship Leader	Tony Wai	Simon
Music Leader	James	Rea, Edith
Bible Reader	Samuel	Melissa, Judy Lo
Ushers	Clement, Iain	Brendon, Lidia, Ginny
Techno	Harvey, Anthony K	Harvey, Alan
Cup of Tea	Michelle L, Rita, Eva	Quin, Janet, Jean
Dishes		

## ACPC HOME GROUPS

	Leader	Meeting time	Location
<b>CANTONESE GROUP</b>	Albert Ko	Saturday weekly @ 4pm	@ Albert Ko's 021 753 912
<b>CANTONESE ALBANY GROUP</b>	Peter Zen	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday @ 8pm	@ Peter Zen's 021 280 8663
<b>GREENLANE GROUP</b>	Glenda Choy	Thursday fortnightly @ 8pm	@ Glenda Choy's 021 148 7956
<b>ISAAC GROUP</b>	Lydia Lam	Friday weekly @ 7.30pm	@ ACPC 105 Vincent Street, City
<b>LADIES' GROUP</b>	Glenda Choy	Wednesday fortnightly @ 10.30am	@ Glenda Choy's 524 9391
<b>NEWMARKET GROUP</b>	Robert O'Callahan	Thursday weekly @ 8.00pm	@ ACPC 105 Vincent Street City 021 783 289
<b>REMUERA GROUP</b>	Ken Cheung	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday @ 10am	@ ACPC this Saturday Contact Ken 021 431607
<b>COLLEGE &amp; CAREERS GROUP</b>	Mark Maney	Wednesday weekly @ 7.30pm	@ ACPC 105 Vincent Street City Contact Mark 021309 544
<b>YOUNG PARENTS GROUP</b>	Mark Maney	Saturday monthly @ 2pm	Contact Mark 021 309 544

## AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City

### ENGLISH MINISTRY SERVICE

17<sup>th</sup> February 2013

**Speaker:** Mr Chze Pheng Ching

**Theme:** Want a Big Catch?

**Sermon Passage:** John 21:1-12



A warm welcome to Mr Chze Pheng Ching and family and to all visitors to this morning's service. Please stay for morning tea after the service.

### BAPTISM – EDMOND LAI

Our congratulations and blessings for Edmond Lai (Cantonese Ministry) on his baptism at the CM worship service this morning.



### ORDINATION OF NEW ELDERS SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY

Special combined service to ordain Robert O'Callahan and Andrew To as elders in PCANZ (Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)!!!  
Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2013 @ 10.30am



Our Interim Moderator, Rev Doug Lendrum will be ordaining Robert and Andrew and Pastor Mark will be preaching. A combined music team will be leading the music and Rea will be singing a solo.

As part of the celebration, there will be a special morning tea. If you are able to bring a plate of finger food, that would be most appreciated.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THIS THURSDAY

The Parish Council meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, with the next meeting set for Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> February 2013.



The Parish Council will be discussing the vision for ACPC - a summary of their Vision meeting on 2nd February is posted on the notice board and on the church website: <http://www.acpc.org.nz/>. A few hard copies are on the table.

Please read this report and pass on your thoughts, ideas and suggestions (by email would be good) to an EM (English Ministry) Parish Council member (Marty Bing, Robert O'Callahan, Stephen Tsang or Jean Wong) by this Wednesday.

## ACPC HOME GROUPS

Are you part of a home group? It really is enriching to belong to a smaller group from our church – giving and receiving encouragement and support as we journey through our daily life – even if you have links with other groups of Christian friends. Check out the home groups list at the back of this newsletter and have a chat with the leader.



## BSF – BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP



A recommended additional study if you are keen to study more of the Bible is BSF. There is a class for the men at Somervell Presbyterian Church (497 Remuera Rd) and for the women at Eden Community Church (74 View Rd, Mt Eden) at 6.55pm on Monday evenings during the school term. There is a Welcome Night for newcomers tomorrow evening. – classes for primary and high school students too.

See Celia Wong, Quin Gee, Janet O'Callahan, Suan Tan, Jean Wong, Francis Yu, Kenneth Yan or Albert Ko if you would like to attend.

*Please note BSF is intended to be additional to, not instead of your normal home group fellowship!*

## MORNING TEAS

Our thanks to the people who provide morning tea so graciously every week. The CM has set up a roster this year for a member to bring morning tea every week also. We appreciate their contribution. The sharing of fellowship and everyone making the effort of getting to know others in the church personally is invaluable.

## THUMPS

*Count it all joy... James 1:2 NKJV*



Max Lucado writes: "When a potter bakes a pot he checks its solidity by pulling it out of the [furnace] and thumping it. If it 'sings,' it's ready. If it 'thuds,' it's put back in.

Character is also checked by thumping... Late night phone calls... grouchy teachers... burnt meals... flat tyres... 'you've-got-to-be-kidding' deadlines. Thumps trigger the worst in us... They aren't big enough to be a crisis, but if you get enough of them, watch out. Traffic jams... long lines... empty mailboxes... dirty clothes on the floor... Thump. Thump. Thump.

How do you respond? Do you sing or do you thud? Jesus said, "People speak the things that are in their hearts" (Luke 6:45 NCV), and there's nothing like a good thump to reveal the true nature of a heart... it's not in momentary heroics, but in the thump-packed humdrum of day-to-day living. If you've a tendency to 'thud' more than you 'sing,' take heart. There's hope for us 'thudders.'



Begin by thanking God... not a half-hearted thank-you... but a rejoicing, jumping-for-joy, thank-you from the bottom of your heart. James says: 'Count it all joy when you fall into various trials... the testing of your faith produces patience.' God's doing the thumping... for your own good... You're going to be tested... you might as well learn from the thumps.



See it as an opportunity to develop patience and persistence. Each thump helps or hurts you, depending on how you use it. Be aware of 'thump-slumps'... For all of us there are times during the week when we can anticipate an unusual amount of thumping. Handle them head on... bolster yourself with extra prayer... don't give up... and remember no thump is disastrous. All thumps work together for good when you love and obey God."

From *Word for Today* by Bob Gass

**"Trust in the Lord with all your heart,  
lean not on your own understanding,  
in all ways acknowledge Him  
and He will direct your path."** Proverbs 3:5

