what's coming up @ acpc in may?						
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	7.30pm Newmarket Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk		Motherhood: All love begins and ends there. Robert Browning	10.30am <i>Service</i> 3-5pm Table Tennis
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	7.30pm Newmarket Group	10.30am Ladies Group 6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk 8pm Greenlane Group		10.00am Remuera Home Group	10.30am Service 3-5pm Table Tennis MOTHER'S DAY
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
8.00pm Prayer Meeting	7.30pm Newmarket Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am <i>Tea & Talk</i>			10.30am Communion Service 3-5pm Table Tennis
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	7.30pm Newmarket Group	10.30am Ladies Group 6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk with feijoa muffins 8pm Greenlane Group			10.30am Ascension Sunday Service 3-5pm Table Tennis 6-9pm Pot-luck Dinner and Recycle Arts Competition

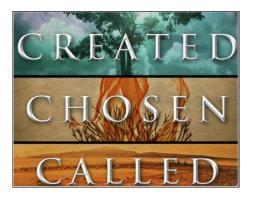
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105 Vincent Street, Auckland City 14th May 2017

praying for others

- Rev Tang & Rev Vogel as they minister at ACPC – for wisdom & God's guidance in leading our ministries.
- ACPC congregations that we hear more keenly God's direction for us on a personal and church level, and act upon it.
- For our neighbours in the city that we may put into action meaningful ways to show Your kindness, love, mercy and grace to our neighbourhood.
- For those on mission may You continue to protect, guide and invigorate them and those they meet – safe travels Mandy!
- For our mothers we thank you God for the blessing that they have been on our lives, in their love, care and patience!





We are a People Belonging to God Psalm 31:1 - 5, 15 -16 and 1 Peter 2:2 -10 John Probert

A very warm welcome to everyone, especially visitors, to the service today! Please join us for morning tea afterwards.

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Serving @ acpc

Service Leader Music Leader Bible Reader Ushers Techno Cup of Tea & Dishes

This week

Stephen Tsang Darren Koo Michelle Tsang Samuel & Tiffany Ho Robert Fong, Mandy Lowe Eve Lam, Cindy Lowe, Gena Gan

Reaching out each week @ acpc

Tea and Talk - games, tea and English conversation: Thursdays 10.30am-12pm

Next week

Rob O'Callahan

James Koay

Stephen Tsang

Brendon & Ginny Fraser

Harvey He, Robert Wong

Michelle Wai, Eden Wong,

Ken Meng Chan

Table tennis:

Sundays 3 - 5pm weekly

A good way to develop your table tennis skills in a friendly, stress-free atmosphere.

Messages from the minister



One of the great joys of faith is to **be baptised** as a member of the Body of Christ. It is also a great celebration for the Church, when one of its members becomes baptised. So if you are even just thinking about this step, talk to Stuart. If you were baptised in another

Church and would like to become a member of ACPC, please let him know too. If you would like to celebrate with us a major event or development in your life, that is great too. Just let Stuart know.

On the ACPC English Ministry website there are some **bible studies** for personal and/or group use. Please use them and then give me some feedback on how to improve the format or style.



The **'I Love Taiwan'** programme is on from 28 June - 15 July - Darren went last year. This is a super chance for those between 16 and 35 to learn about mission and get inspired. All costs in Taiwan paid for and subsidy on the air ticket available. See Stuart <u>this week</u> and take up the challenge!



Prayer Meeting tomorrow night

Please put into your diaries our next prayer meeting scheduled for tomorrow night at 8pm, at Glenda's (2/6 Momona Rd, Greenlane). Praying that you can join us.

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Thanks for your Mother's Day outreach gifts!!!

Thank you for bringing children's books for our "Tea and Talk" programme, and for the One2One programme in Cambodia. What a blessing for the families that will share these stories together.



Also much appreciated are the donations of female hygiene products, which will be given to the women at the City Mission.

More on feijoas...



On Thursday May 25th at Tea and Talk, our theme is the humble feijoas. So come along if you can, just for this morning, and enjoy. If you would like to make feijoa muffins (very easy) please do so. If you belong to the Wednesday night home group, bring them then, or give them to someone in the home group if that is convenient. Muffins surplus to requirements will be given to students at the Maclaurin Chapel for lunch - "From ACPC with Love."

Don't forget to take a creative picture of a feijoa in some setting in town - and win a price at Splice's Feijoa Festival on May 31st. See Stuart about how to submit your photo.

A Mother's Love

The first Mother's Day was celebrated in West Virginia in 1912. Mothers were to be recognized as an important part of our culture and lives. The heart of a mother is like a rare jewel. They love their children during the worst and best of times.



Yet all mothers are not the same. Author and speaker Patsy Clairmont says, "Normal is just a setting on your clothes dryer." We are all different. She shared that as women we may "struggle, fail, start over, and celebrate." But we are mothers who can love unlike any other person.

Each day is a new beginning of what lies before us. We have destiny, purpose, and the power to do and be all that we are called to be. Nothing can stop us except ourselves. As mothers, we need to find the strength to face each day knowing that God loves us.

Mothers make up a crucial part of our lives. So whether it is a card, dinner out, hug, or a kiss on the cheek, we should show we care. It is so important to give our love to these dedicated women in our lives and don't take them for granted.

"Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions." 1 John 3:18