

## what's going on @ acpc in february & march?

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
26	27	28	1	2	3	4
	7.30pm <i>Professionals Group</i>	10.30am <i>Ladies' Group</i> 6.30pm <i>Young Adults' Group</i>	10.30am <i>Tea &amp; Talk</i> 8pm <i>Greenlane Group</i>		10.00am <i>Remuera Home Group</i>	10.30am <i>Service</i> 3-5pm <i>Table Tennis</i>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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Thanks to all those who attended yesterday's Home Group Leaders' Training Session yesterday, we had over 30 from both the EM and CM!!! We are blessed by your enthusiasm and energy!!!

# AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City  
25<sup>th</sup> February 2018



### praying for others

- **Rev Tang & Rev Vogel as they minister at ACPC** – for wisdom & God's guidance in leading our ministries.
- **ACPC congregations** – we pray that we can make a fresh commitment to pursue You today, excited to see the amazing things You will do in our lives.
- **For our neighbours in the city** – that we take the opportunities to show Your kindness, love, mercy, grace and hope to our neighbourhood, especially those without homes.
- **For those who have faced natural disaster** – We pray for healing, comfort, strength and resilience for those have recently faced natural disaster.
- **During Lent** – Help us to prepare for Easter, remembering Christ's sacrifice for us and what it means to follow Him.



### Stretcher Bearers and Sermon Critics

**Luke 5: 12-26**

*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

Tony Wai  
Darren Koo  
Isobel Lam  
Samuel & Jocelyn Ho  
Mandy Lowe, Rob Wong  
Benson Fong, Jenny Wong,  
Ricky Yap

## Next week

Glenda Choy  
Peter Ting  
Tony Wong  
Rob & Blake O'Callahan  
Harvey He, Michael Yu  
Quin Gee, Michelle Tsang,  
Soo Land Wong

## Caring for our community – household goods

The City Mission provides around 11,000 food parcels to Auckland-based individuals and families in desperate need each year. Make it a new habit for this year to keep others in mind during your normal shop. Helpful items include:

- 420g Cans of Spaghetti
- 400g Cans of Tomatoes
- 420g Canned Soup
- 420g Cans of Baked Beans
- 1 Litre UHT Milk
- 410g Canned Fruit



## Reaching out each week @ acpc

**Tea and Talk - games, tea and English conversation:** every Thursday at church from 10.30am-12pm

**Table tennis:** Sundays 3 - 5pm weekly, a good way to develop your table tennis skills in a friendly, stress-free atmosphere.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Pot Luck of the year tonight!

The theme is welcome to students, especially those staying at the YWCA. Please bring a plate of your favourite food. This year we are asking the people next door who come regularly to prepare something from their countries so it should be an interesting year!

## EM Retreat - Save the date Apr 14<sup>th</sup>!

We're still in the planning stages, however a retreat is planned for the EM with something for the whole family on **Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup>** (the day after school finishes). Mark this in your calendars for a time of learning, laughter, friendship and great food! More details to follow.



## CWS Appeal for Tonga after Cyclone Gita

Phil King, Global Mission Coordinator for the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand would like to encourage Presbyterian congregations and members to support the CWS Appeal. This can be done by sending donations directly to CWS at

<http://www.cws.org.nz/what-we-do/emergencies/cyclone-gita-appeal>

## After the service each week, please remember to...

Lift and place the chairs as quietly as practical when putting them away. If it's dry, please exit through Jenny's lovely garden and down the side of the church. If it's wet, please be as quiet as possible when using the stairs while the CM service is still going.



## You're Supposed to Enjoy Life!



Enjoyment is the fuel we need to reach the finish line of an endeavour with a good attitude. We may drive ourselves to finish, but somewhere along the way we will probably become bitter and get a chip on our shoulder if we don't lighten up and take time to celebrate the journey.

Too many people work constantly and stress themselves out, feeling guilty about enjoying and celebrating life when God has clearly ordained and commanded both labour and enjoyment. Ecclesiastes 2:24 says that it's good for us to relax and enjoy ourselves in the midst of hard work.

Our thinking has been warped in this area. Satan has managed to deceive us, and by doing so he succeeds in keeping people weary and worn-out, feeling resentful and taken advantage of because of excessive work and responsibility.

We need times of refreshment and recreation as well as work and accomplishment. You should be diligent in whatever task God has placed in front of you, but make sure you find a healthy balance by learning to reward yourself and celebrate your progress. God thinks you are worth it!



**Prayer Starter:** God, I want to enjoy the life You have given me. Show me how to work hard, but take time to rest and celebrate progress along the way. Thank you for abundant life in Christ!

Joyce Meyer

## Sermon Notes

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