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REFLECTIONS... Taking Time out to Hear the Lord out of Nature and Scripture...



In April, Veronica, with others, travelled to the Dominican Republic to attend the International Women's Conference. I arranged for our regular house-sitter to move in, packed my basics and my boots, pack and gear, and headed for isolation [I really do not, and never have, like cities...] with my NIV and JB Bibles, the text of Benedict's 'Spe Salvi' on my laptop, and an absolute minimum of food based on three quick meal packs of macaroni and cheese, two medium cans of baked beans and one small can of rice dessert. All, except the macaroni, easy to

eat cold, which I did. Reminded me of my days in the NZ Army!

Physically my intention was to get a couple of vigorous work-outs before the mountains get snowed and specialised gear is needed, and Spiritually to take a slow meander through the richness of 'Spe Salvi' which had really spoken to me when released in 2007. Physically all went well. I did two great workouts, the first being six hours over a summit I know well but searching for 'suspected access' to a long ridge leading to a peak I want to consider in winter. I did find the link to the ridge but just twenty minutes inside my safe turnaround time but I was disappointed with the altitude you need to drop to safely access it. Ah well, that is for another day for Clarice and Nathaniel [my grandkids] and me. The second outings was a delightful twelve to fourteen kilometres return with a vertical gain of a modest thousand metres. Wonderful views. These are times I enjoy and with times of rich 'chatting with the Lord.'

The surprise of my eight days was in my spiritual reflection. I didn't even attempt to re-read 'Spe Salvi' as I was drawn early to Ecclesiasticus Chapter 2 in my old Jerusalem Bible. This brought back so many memories in a life which has had its fair share of challenges! Yet I am still able to function [...let us fall into the hands of the Lord, not into the hands of men...]. My Bible shows I marked this Scripture at the Sword of the Spirit Assembly in 1998 in Glasgow, and that Bayardo Reyes, a coordinator from Nicaragua had prayed this Scripture over me with a translator present. What Bayardo did not recall was that we had met a few years earlier and at a prayer meeting he had also prayed that Scripture over me. Interesting stuff as I do not speak Spanish, and Bayardo spoke no English. And then over a year ago my brother Bruce Yocum spoke to me out of the same Scriptural base as I slowly lifted out of a hard year or so from the devastation of the earthquakes, significant surgery and other challenges including a six month slide into a time of depression.

It was a sobering but encouraging time for me. I love the mountains and the isolation they offer, and I love the Scriptures and how they speak to me and affirm that 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end, each of us.....' Spe Salvi [Hope: 2007].

Ecclesiasticus 2:1-18: *My son, if you aspire to serve the Lord, prepare yourself for an ordeal. Be sincere of heart, be steadfast, and do not be alarmed when disaster comes. Cling to him and do not leave him, so that you may be honoured at the end of your days. Whatever happens to you, accept it, and in the uncertainties of your humble state, be patient, since gold is tested in the fire, and chosen men in the furnace of humiliation. Trust him and he will uphold you, follow a straight path and hope in him. You who fear the Lord, wait for his mercy; do not turn aside in case you fall. You who fear the Lord, trust him, and you will not be baulked of your reward. You who fear the Lord, hope for those good things, for everlasting happiness and mercy...Those who fear the Lord do not disdain his words, and those who love him keep his ways. Those who fear the Lord do their best to please him, and those who love him find satisfaction in his Law. Those who fear the Lord keep their hearts prepared and humble themselves in his presence. Let us fall into the hands of the Lord, not into the hands of men; for as his majesty is, so too is his mercy.*

Roger: Senior Coordinator

OUR PEOPLE...

Congratulations to:

- To Pogia and Talea Afamasaga [Central], with the arrival of Juliana Rylie, 9 lbs. 1 Oz, approx. 53cm, born Wed 17 April 2013. Congratulations!

With sadness, yet confidence in the Lord, we remember:

- To Bruce and Mary Joslen [Christchurch], as Bruce's dad recently passed away.

[Note to all Branch leaders: Please send your local news/snippets to Roger Foley or Tom Caballes so that we can acknowledge important occasions in the lives of our brothers and sisters and make sure we do not miss any of them.]

NEWS AND ARTICLES

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

On the 8th of April, Maureen Lowe [Auckland], Mhel Caballes [Wellington] and Kirsten Challies [Christchurch] and I set off on a very long journey via Los Angeles, and then Miami, to Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic. We went to attend the Sword of the Spirit International Women's Conference hosted by the Cuerpo de Cristo [Body of Christ] Community, and entitled 'Arise! Shine Out'. The journey took two days so on arrival in Santo Domingo we were hungry, hot and very tired. I would like to share some of the highlights that I experienced.



[Left to Right] Maureen, Kirsten, Veronica and Mhel at the Auckland Int'l Airport

I found all of the meditation talks, the teachings and the workshops I attended very inspiring. I felt the Lord reminding me once again why he had called me into the Lamb of God and that our work is not finished until we are called home to join Him. I was reminded that we are called to build a bulwark to defend against the onslaught of the enemy. The prophetic word also spoke of a 'tsunami of grace and mercy' to help us in our endeavours to reach out to all who come and respond.

I felt so blessed when all the more than 230 sisters came together for worship that we sang in our own languages. It sounded like a preview of what worship in Heaven will sound like. We were called as God's women to open wide our hearts in love to all whom the Lord sends. Another enjoyable experience was to take a tour around the Old Colonial City Centre and visit the museums and places of significant historical interest. I enjoyed the tour as I had just finished reading of the history of Hispaniola back home in Christchurch. Good timing!

On our way home we visited with our good friend Agnes [Gutierrez] and Ellen from the Los Angeles Community 'The City on the Hill.' We had a wonderful day of fellowship and sightseeing and for me the highlight was a visit to the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. We felt truly blessed to have spent time with these two lovely sisters.

I finish with a word the Lord addressed to us at the Conference. It was "the Lord looks at us, his women, and see us all as beautiful, standing straight, strong and full of strength. The Lord makes us strong. We are a strong army but also a beautiful army.' And were also reminded that we were born for a time such as this.

Veronica Foley: National Women's Leadership Council

God's hand was with us from the very beginning of our trip to the end. He is faithful giving us treats along the way like: sitting beside and meeting the famous rock band Earth, Wind and Fire at Miami airport, seeing the famous places in LA in one day and in the midst of bomb scare and tight security at the airport, God did not let us go thru all

the hassle but treated us like elite Koru member with first class service from Air New Zealand crew. God is good!

There is so much of knowledge given to us at the conference and many beautiful moments of praise and worship. Mike Shaughnessy said in one of his talks "Community is not for you, you are here to build a community for the younger generation." I was once a youth of the community, my leaders inspired me and trained me to follow the Lord and embrace the community. Now as Mike said it is our turn to inspire our youth to embrace the community way of life. Putting in mind always that we are building this community not for ourselves but for our children. Therefore our task is to lay the foundation so that our children will not going to have a hard time continuing on our way of life when their time comes.

Another highlight for me, was the prophecy given at the prayer meeting, its about the second call of the Lord. It says there is a second calling, will you be ready to answer it. When God calls me to follow him, I was 18 years old, wearing a coloured sunglasses, I



do not know the price to pay as His follower, now more than 20 years, I know now the cost, the sacrifices, the challenges of being a disciple. That night I saw his face as if he was talking to me thru the prophecy, am I willing to answer his second call. Am I willing to help build this community for the next generation knowing that the battle ahead is harder than the first. I feel that its not just for me and my family, its for all of us. If you feel that you have given your share and its time to retire from serving God, think again, the battle is not over yet.

The whole experience gave me a new lease in life. I feel refreshed and it gave me a new meaning in my service. Thank you to the national coordinators for allowing us to represent you in that conference. May God give us the grace to pass on our blessings to the women, both old and young, of our community. **Mhel Caballes [Wellington]**

What a blessing it was to step outside of my normal life for a time and soak myself in Him! For that, I am grateful to the community. The conference was certainly a time of refreshment for me personally, with God speaking to me clearly about giving myself over to him. It also helped me to get a better feel for the greater international bulwark we are a part of, with women from all parts of the world working to provide a place where our people can grow in their faith and others can come to be nourished. Sitting elbow to elbow at meals helped to create tangible heart-felt connections with women on a similar journey and to gain insight into how things work in other communities of the world. And I have returned with a few pearls of wisdom, gained from the talks, which seemed particularly relevant to our people here in Christchurch in the conditions we now live in. I look forward to sharing them locally and would encourage others, including myself, to try to set aside time in your yearly planner to take yourself off to spend time alone with Him and be refreshed, thus investing in our greatest asset, being our faith.

Kirsten Challies [Christchurch]

The Theme for the Conference was " Arise! Shine Out! Isa 60:1". This was a challenge for me to Arise and Shine Out. In my own personal walk with the Lord it did give me

comfort to know that sister's just like me all over the world were called by God for a purpose to shine out to others and be HIS reflection. In one of our session Mike spoke about our calling to raise up new generations and to prepare and train them for the future growth of our community and to sustain it. Our future community is our children. We have to pass on the baton to the next generation. It is a blessing for us to equip younger men and women in leadership by doing this we have more hands to the plough.

I was also touched by Isaiah 54:2: "Enlarge the place of Your Tent and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched out hold not back, lengthen your cords and strengthen your stake..." This was my prayer this weekend, to ask God to bless us and to enlarge our territory and to be prepared to have more people than we ever had and to ask God to increase our willingness to serve without counting the cost.



Finally I must share about the Trip to see LA - by the Sisters from City on the Hill Community. We had a wonderful time with the two sisters who spent their time and money in making this day a memorial day for us. The sisters had a great heart of generosity and of service. It was a whole day tour to Santa Monica, Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Walk with the Stars and the highest standard of fashion and Jewellery district. The Visit to the cathedral was also another spiritual experience for me, the icing on the cake.

To travel with Veronica, Mhel and Kirsten was such a blessing as I truly got to spend quality time with each of them and know that these memories will be forever special in my heart as we together Arise!! and Shine Out joyfully in HIS service.

Maureen Lowe[Auckland]

AUCKLAND BRANCH NEWS

The Auckland Branch spent much of the month of April in 'Joyful Business.' Paramount was the Healing Ministry of Fr John Rea. At various evenings at different venues in Auckland, Fr John Rea conducted healing sessions. A good number of community friends and affiliates attended too. One remarked later, "*I was truly blessed to have been given this opportunity to be prayed over by Fr John Rea.*" The youth had a special time with Fr John and came back spiritually enriched, filled with the Holy Spirit. Thank you Fr John for your visit. We continue to keep you in our prayers.



On Friday April 12, the Auckland Branch had a joyful busy evening spent at the Aquatic Pools. 'Aqua Blast' was again a great success thanks to the many volunteers who worked to make this evening an occasion for fellowship and fun. The 'A' team with their usual dedicated effort ensured that all had a good time. Even the guests could not have enough of pool fun and mouth watering food. Three cheers for our 'A' team and their fund raising efforts. God Bless them!

WELLINGTON - SISTERS' HIGH TEA

The third of March was a red letter day for the women of the Wellington Branch. We had our first women's quarterly fellowship for the year and included in the fellowship were our young Kairos women. The theme was high tea and it was a chance for sisters to dress up and wear their fancy hats. Of course, what is high tea without the appropriate nibbles and tea? Sweets and savouries were present and there was even caviar to taste plus a selection of teas! The highlight of the afternoon was the blind auction. All the items for auction were gift wrapped and thus no one knew what they were bidding on. A very brief description of the auction item was given at the start. We were all given equal amounts of play money to use and our sister Angie acted as the auctioneer. With much hilarity, everyone got into the spirit of bidding on the auction items resulting in numerous bidding wars going on. Shrewd bidding by our Kairos women resulted in most of the items won by them. Opening the wrapped items won by the successful bidders had the sisters ooh-ing and aah-ing as bags, makeup items, books, perfumes were revealed. It was a great start to sisters' fellowship activities for the year and we all look forward to the next one.



NEWS FROM FIJI - AWESOME DEUBA RETREAT

At the end of 2012, the Patmos Community went to Deuba for FUN and also productive retreat. With just 20 or so people the retreat was quite cosy and friendly. Everyone arrived on Friday the 7th December, after work. Friday evening was just settling in and unpacking. All the youth girls got to share a room which in hindsight may not have been such a good idea since we were awake for a 'long, long' time after we should have been. The real work/ fun started on Saturday with an early breakfast followed by morning devotion and praise and worship. Then a short talk/presentation for the youths and adults, while the kids played games. After this was lunch, yay for food! After lunch we had recreational time.



Which meant we could do anything we wanted, so we went kayaking, swimming and on the zip-line. Then came dinner, board games, a bible quiz and bed. Sunday was much the same, however that afternoon many of us unfortunately had to go back to Suva. So that was the retreat, great fun, great food, great friends and an even greater God! Some of the testimonies include:

I really enjoyed kayaking; the waves were really huge – Gabriela
The flying fox and riding in the kayaks was great fun – Atama
Hard work, but lots of fun; inspirational and challenging – Sinead
Relaxing, reflective, daunting – Eka

LEADERSHIP PROFILE - MEET KAREN GEELEN

[These coming months, we will feature different women leaders of the Lamb of God community. This month, we have Karen from Napier.]



I was born in New Zealand in 1949, the younger of two girls, to an Irish mother and English/French father. Both of their parents immigrated to New Zealand after the First World War and settled in the Bay of Plenty. They were regular church goers and met at Tauranga Baptist church where they were later married - my father being the choirmaster there. As a child I attended ballet and tap dancing, swimming, tennis, speech and drama lessons. In my mid-teens our family shifted to Auckland so that my father could further his musical studies. After leaving school I trained at Business College as a shorthand typist. However, my parents separated and so I moved into the Baptist Youth hostel where I met Andre who was

attending Auckland University at the time.

In 1972 Andre and I were married and a year later our first child, Stefan, was born. We shifted to Nelson due to a job change for Andre and it was there Dascha, Johann and Katrinka were born. While there we were involved in the ecumenical prayer group scene and with the folk who began the Light of Christ Community. This was a special time for me as I experienced the healing love of brothers and sisters in the Lord. I also picked up my musical skills again learning to play the guitar.



In 1980 Andre had another job change which brought us to Napier. It was here our 5th child Nicholas was born. Again we connected with the local prayer group scene and helped form the Hawkes Bay Covenant Community which later joined the Lamb of God



becoming the Hawkes Bay Branch. Besides being in leadership in Lamb of God, I am involved in the music team for Dove, sing in the Civic Choir, teach Bible in Schools at the local primary school, attend a weekly music lesson and clean at Andre's work. However, I still have time to coffee with my friends and care for my mother who is in a local rest home, not forgetting the many visits to enjoy time with my grandchildren who are in Auckland and Wellington.

CHALLENGES IN LIVING TOGETHER AS COMMUNITY

Resource for House Group Discussion by Tom Caballes

Growing Up in Maturity

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This is to continue until all of us are united in our faith and in our knowledge about God's Son, until we become mature, until we measure up to Christ, who is the standard. [Ephesians 4:13]

Probably all of us have experienced “growing pains.” But I remember too, when I was younger, my parents and other people tell me to “grow up.” What they are meaning is for me to act my age, and not be childish. Because of the ‘flesh,’ it is more ‘natural,’ convenient and easier to be immature and irresponsible. In the Christian life, God desires us to “grow up” as well and not be childish in our behaviour. Our goal is to be like Christ in our character. In our Christian walk, it is much easier to be childish too – lazy, irresponsible and selfish. Do people around us – families, friends, brothers and sisters – see Jesus in us?

So How Do We Grow Up to Become More Christ-Like?

1. We need to desire to grow in maturity. We need to take stock of where we are in different facets of our lives and see where there are discrepancies in our attitudes [selfishness, pride, anger, etc.] and behaviour to that of what we are supposed to be.
2. Face challenges and difficulties in a mature way. Ordeals can make us grow – but only if we have the right perspective about it. It can also bring us down if we allow it to do so by acting in an immature way. We need to identify the areas where we can grow as we face those trials in life. We can ask: what is the loving thing to do?
3. As we face different situations in life, we can ask: what is the mature way of responding or reacting to the situation? How would Jesus react? We can also try to see the opposite – the immature way of reacting – and decide not to do it. We need to decide to do the right thing.
4. We need to let go of childish and immature way of behaving and reacting. If we see people doing well and prospering, we need to be happy for them and avoid that question – what about me? *When I was a child, I spoke like a child, thought like a child, and reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I no longer used childish ways. [1 Corinthians 13:11]*
5. We need to learn habits that lead to Christian maturity. How? By immersing ourselves in daily prayer and with God's Word; by building relationships with people who are also becoming like Jesus; and by surrendering our childish or ‘adolescent,’ selfish hearts and minds to God.
6. Lastly, we need to be patient with ourselves. The goal of being Christ-like will take a lifetime. Little by little, everyday...until people can see Jesus in us.

Other Scripture References

1. *Endure until your testing is over. Then you will be mature and complete, and you won't need anything. [James 1:4]*
2. *Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. [Colossians 1:28]*
3. *Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ... [Ephesians 4:15]*
4. Other Scripture references: **Ephesians 4:22-24; Colossians 3:9-10; 1 Cor 14:20.**

For Personal Reflection and Group Sharing:

1. In my walk with God, do I try to grow up to be more like Him every day?
2. Where and when do I tend to act childishly? Where are my weak points? How do I grow and overcome them? Who can help me overcome them?

KAIROS NEW ZEALAND YOUTH NEWS

Kairos New Zealand Schedule of Events for 2013

July 19 to 21, 2013

Winter Oasis in Auckland

KAIROS BLAST WEEKEND

What a BLAST!!! About 47 young people from Auckland, Christchurch and Wellington plus a few from across the Tasman [in Geelong] and across the Pacific [USA] attended the weekend youth camp. About 7 nationalities were represented during the weekend, which makes the camp a real multi-cultural event. The youth thoroughly enjoyed the praise and worship, the talks, the games, the food, the facilities and the great fellowship. Hats off to the Wellington brothers and sisters who cooked, drove, set up, transported, carried, and helped in all the camp's undertakings. Your services were truly excellent!



One participant commented on Facebook:

I definitely loved the time of fellowship with everyone. It was great to see everyone gelled together naturally no matter where we were from/what nationalities/what race, etc. I love that I made a whole new family. The talks and praise and worships were AMAZING - super top notch. And I honestly wanna say a special shout out to the parents there, it touched me how they honestly treated all of us like their own kids and made us feel all at home.

See you again in the next Blast event in 2014!

WEBSITES WORTH NOTING

KAIROS South Pacific Web Site HAS BEEN UPDATED with 2012 photos – go take a look ...

Check it out at: www.kairossp.com

You can network and chat with other young people by going to this website:

<http://www.kairossp.com/kairosspnzchatroom.htm>

We designated every Friday night at 10pm as a time to meet other young people.

Go and visit the International Kairos Media website: <http://www.kairos-media.org/>

Our Lamb of God website has been updated – please visit www.lambofgodcommunity.net.

Sign up [free] for Youth Culture Newsletter

The most recent edition of the Youth Culture Newsletter is now available online. It will no longer be sent to you via the Lamb of God e-mail list but you can get it at this link:

<http://www.kairos-na.org/youthculturenewsletter.htm>

This is a recommended Sword of the Spirit publication for youth and parents.

Living Bulwark Sword of the Spirit - Highly Recommended!

This Sword of the Spirit on-line publication has received more than 43,000 visits (an average of 135 visits each day) in its first year. All back issues for the past 12 months can be found at: <http://www.swordofthespirit.net/bulwark/archives.htm>. The current issue of the online magazine can be seen at: www.swordofthespirit.net/bulwark/index.html.

SENDING NEWS FOR CHRONICLE PUBLICATION

Branches are encouraged to email news, photos, happenings and snippets to Tom Caballes at josehomascaballes@gmail.com. Each issue is closed around the 20th of the month.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT OUR RECORDS

Membership Records and Data: Branch leaders are responsible to keep updated records and then email all new attendee additions, deletions, address and phone changes, births, deaths, transfers, etc to -

Tom Caballes josehomascaballes@gmail.com
and copy to Lamb_of_God@clear.net.nz

BIRTHDAY INFORMATION

[Day and month, but year is optional.] Branch leaders are asked to keep updated records and email all new attendee additions to -

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Birthdays for May - Happy Birthday!

| NAMES | BIRTHDAY | BRANCH |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Rachel McKenzie | 01/05 | Auckland |
| Philip Middlemiss | 04/05 | Christchurch |
| Martin Patrao | 04/05 | Auckland |
| Saahil Castelino | 05/05 | Auckland |
| Clyde D'Souza | 06/05 | Auckland |
| Gail D'Mello | 07/05 | Auckland |
| Emily Matthews | 07/05 | Christchurch |
| Kathryn O'Malley | 08/05 | Central |
| Mike Prendeville | 08/05 | Southern |
| Fr. Merv McGettigan | 10/05 | Southern |
| Alessi Mendoza | 11/05 | Central |
| Alpert Mendoza | 11/05 | Central |
| Carlos Briguera | 12/05 | Central |
| Alison Middlemiss | 12/05 | Christchurch |
| Cynthia D'Souza | 13/05 | Auckland |
| Ludeth Mariposa | 13/05 | Central |
| Sue Greig | 14/05 | Central |
| Kester Rebello | 14/05 | Auckland |
| Winona D'Costa | 15/05 | Auckland |
| Ruby Lowe | 16/05 | Auckland |
| Daniela Slovak | 16/05 | Blenheim |
| Trevor Wall | 17/05 | Ch/Ashburton |
| Anita Fredericks | 18/05 | Blenheim |
| Jacqui Blackwell | 22/05 | Nelson |
| Kimberly Coutinho | 22/05 | Auckland |
| Mike Garrett | 25/05 | Blenheim |
| Leroy Lobo | 25/05 | Auckland |
| Sarah Nicholas | 26/05 | Christchurch |
| Maryanne Hall | 27/05 | Auckland |
| Dominic D'Sa | 28/05 | Auckland |

Wedding Anniversaries for May - Happy Anniversary!

| NAMES | DATE | BRANCH |
|--------------------------|-------|--------------|
| Joel & Tiza Sison | 01/05 | Central |
| Thomas & Irene Hong | 02/05 | Auckland |
| Terry & Sandy Westbury | 03/05 | Nelson |
| Priyan & Anusha Jayahama | 06/05 | Auckland |
| Mark & Kirsten Challies | 09/05 | Christchurch |
| John & Janet McManus | 10/05 | Southern |
| Ariel & Tina Araza | 11/05 | Central |
| Nick & Rosalie Barber | 11/05 | Nelson |
| Ivan & Annette Carvalho | 11/05 | Auckland |
| Raema & Ray Muollo | 14/05 | Nelson |
| Alan & Margaret McKenzie | 15/05 | Southern |
| Tony & Christie D'Costa | 21/05 | Auckland |
| Ronnie & Rina D'Souza | 27/05 | Auckland |

PRAYERWATCH - SOLDIERS OF CHRIST, ARISE **Fight the good fight**

Reinforce the guard, station the watchmen, prepare an ambush! The Lord will carry out his purpose... Jeremiah 51: 12 NIV

Praise is adoration, worship, a humble declaration of the goodness of God, a loving Father who wants the best for us. God has called each one of us to be on his side, a side that is certain of victory as Jesus death on the cross and his resurrection from the dead has won the total victory of God Kingdom. Praise should be a part of our preparation as we enter into battle especially as we stand in the gap as we serve our time on the Prayerwatch. 2 Chronicles 20: 1-30, shows how King Jehoshaphat and the people of Judah were surrounded by enemy armies and their response was first to call on the Lord God for mercy, help and deliverance. They prayed and fasted, reminding God of his past goodness to them and his promises for the future. God heard their prayers and spoke to them through a prophetic voice reminding them that the battle was his and he would be victorious. They went forth in faith, praising and worshipping God with musicians and singer in front, to find a defeated and destroyed enemy army. We can stand in the gap on the Prayerwatch knowing God has won the victory, He is with us and we are his people. We are called to be a people of praise and faithfulness, supporting our brothers and sisters in this special way of life. God speaks to us in the prophetic word, encouraging and reminding us that we have the weapons we need and the battle belongs to him.

I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name forever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty— and I will meditate on your wonderful works. They tell of the power of your

awesome works— and I will proclaim your great deeds. They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness. **Psalm 145: 1-7 NIV**

If you have any comments or questions concerning the Prayerwatch then please send them to me or give them to one of your branch leaders to send to me. God bless and watch over you all.

Alan McKenzie. National Coordinator - Prayerwatch

LAMB OF GOD PRAYERWATCH - PRAYER INTENTIONS

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Against strongholds of Apathy, Witchcraft, Confusion and other named spirits.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

COMMUNITIES Protect and bless the life and mission of the SWORD OF THE SPIRIT, Patmos & Cornerstone Lamb of God [Fiji], Families for Christ [Melbourne], Vanuatu Group, Light of Christ [Nelson], The Covenanted Community For Christ, [Penang & Taiping], protect and bless their life and mission.

FAMILY **Auckland:** Yvonne D'Souza, Peter & Margaret Stoddard, Desmond & Charmaine Vessaokar, Christopher & Carol Fernandes, Tili Leatitagaloa, Blanche Fernandes, Sequeria's & Saldanha's Families, Neville & Karyn Coutinho, **Central:** Jun & Angie Briguera, Henri & Cutie Zalamea, Rose Buladaco, Joel & Tiza Sison, Robert & Ethel Caballes, Tom & Mhel Caballes, **Blenheim:** Jamie & Judith Rodgers, Mark & Mary Jackson, Mike & Cheryl Garrett, **Christchurch:** Roger & Veronica Foley, Robert & Karin Van Doorn, Darren & Julie Humphries, Tai & De Stirling, Bruce & Bronwyn Harborne, Niul & Coila Kay, Lyn Keane, Pauline Marsden, John & Monica Haughey, Annette Sargisson, Toni May, **Southern:** John & Janet MacManus, Richard & Christine May, Mike & Judy Prendeville,

HEALING CANCER **Blenheim:** Carol Cullimore, David Aberhart, **Christchurch:** Mary Anggow, Robin Corbett,

HEALING HEART **Auckland:** Isabel Morais, **Central:** Paul Oliver, Dave Taylor, **Blenheim:** Chris Fredericks, **Christchurch:** Dorelle Ham, Undine Cavanagh, Philip Middlemiss,

HEALING **Auckland:** Annette Carvalho, Winona D'Costa, Olivia Fernandes, Lucy Misquita, Blanche & Denis Hollingsworth, Cheryl Donald, Mira D'Souza, Jemima Rebello, Peter D'Souza, Delia D'Mello, Fr John Rea, Elizabeth Locke, Maria dos Anjos D'Souza, Bruce Donald, Rosana Kuresa, Judy Lim, Thomas Hong, Vimath Sequeira, Karyn Coutinho, **Central:** Stephanie O'Connell, Sharon Powick, Michael Powick, Jacob Muollo, Henri Zalamea, Aly Fernandes, Rae Taylor, **Blenheim:** Peter Greig, Josiah Grieg, Grace Weston, Mike Garrett, Micah Rodgers, Anita Fredericks, Jamie & Judith Rodgers, Barbara Ryan, **Christchurch:** Lisa Borkus, Karin Van Doorn, Chris Aston Grieve, Veronica Foley, Siobhan Forster, Andrew Black, Bernie Black, John Murray, Chris Lyons, Monica Haughey, Joan Corbett, Andre'a Forster, Mikyla Challies, Danielle McKenzie, **Southern:** Fr Merv McGettigan, Daniel MacManus, Steven & Judy Homes & Family, Pat Forster, Michael Quigley, Rhoda Woodfield,

BEREAVEMENT Auckland: Nicky & Caedy Rebello, Brian & Joan Lobo, Central: Tom & Mhel Caballes, Christchurch: Undine Cavanagh, Bruce & Mary Joslen,

OTHERS NEEDS **Auckland:** Mark & Elizabeth Stolten, Bob Misst, Alwin D'Souza, Allen & Judy Carneiro, Gillian Puch, Joseph Gomes, Allan Carvalho,

COVERING PRAYER National Council, Kairos Ministries, Branch Life, Lamb of God Centre, Branch Visits, Clustering in Auckland, Ministry of Fr John Rea, Employment of Members, Light of Christ Special Ministry, Wellington branch [sickness among extended family], and Ashburton Group in Christchurch.

“I have made you a Watchman” Ezekiel 33: 7