

Pastor's Pen...

Good morning

Back in April, Robyn Lewis our Adult Ministries Pastor announced that she had been given the sad news of having secondary cancer. This means the disease is terminal. Robyn has continued to work at Northpoint on reduced hours as she has been able and as always Robyn has been doing an amazing job with the limited hours she has been able to work. However, just in the last couple of weeks Robyn has experienced a further decline in her health, which means that she will be unable to continue with her regular duties at Northpoint. Robyn is not resigning as a Pastor at Northpoint and will continue to be a part of things in church life as her health allows. So if you have questions that you would normally direct to Robyn, please pass them on to either myself, Rachel Roche our Pastor of Family ministries or one of our Elders. At present Robyn and Chris are needing to keep visits to a minimum and have asked that you call first to arrange a suitable time, or contact us at the church office. Finally if I can also take this opportunity to encourage you to pray for Robyn and Chris at this time, you can pray that Robyn might regain some energy as she feels exhausted most of the time at present. Also that they would have some good opportunities to spend time with their family in the coming months. If you have any further questions about anything I have said here please talk to me directly.

Blessings

Mike

About people and happenings...

- **Newcomers/Visitors:** Welcome to Northpoint this morning. We have a newcomers coffee and cake evenings throughout the year - leave a contact address and number @ the office and we'll be in touch with details.
- **Pastor Robyn Lewis** is away on leave. If you have any pastoral needs or concerns please contact the office, or Terry on 752 0796 or Margy on 755 1966.
- **Old dress-up items wanted** for the Kids Under Construction group to use during their Sunday morning lessons. If you have anything you no longer need or if you are a sewer & would be prepared to make up some little capes, skirts, biblical dresses, etc. phone Cherie on 755 2374 or cherie@northpoint.org.nz.
- **Missing Whiteboard** - has anyone has seen our lovely whiteboard. Maybe you borrowed it and forgot to return it a few weeks ago. It is sadly missed! Please contact the office.
- **His Kids Mums get together** on Thursday 19 August @ 7.30pm @ Elixir on Devon Street East for coffee and cake. Please RSVP to Ange on 769 5505 or 021 565 746 by Monday 16 August.
- **Care & Share Group** – meet @ 1pm each Wednesday @ Northpoint. All Welcome. Contact Valerie ph 755 1937.
- **Mid Week Communion Service** will be held here in the auditorium @ Northpoint on Thursday 19 Aug @ 10.00am
- **Gems** will meet here in the lounge @ Northpoint @ 9.30am on Thursday 19 Aug to make cards. Cost is \$2 per person and you get to take home your card. Enjoy some coffee & cake @ chat.
- **Turning Point** - A six week seminar continues on Sundays @ 7-9pm, @ Northpoint Centre, 116 Mangati Rd, Bell Block. Guest speakers and interactive exercises providing new insights into goal setting, motivation, time management, budgeting, healthy eating, looking after your long term health & fitness, believing in yourself and finding the 'new you'. Only \$20 for the whole course. Further details available from the co-ordinator - Bev Moore 06 758 8793

THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT

Church forums will be held on the 24th & 29th August @ 7.30pm @ Northpoint. Both nights will be the same so come to whichever one suits you best.

These nights are designed for your feedback about what you might like to see happen with the land and buildings in the future. How should we develop these? What are our current needs? What's best for the future? Any queries to Mike or the Elders please.

SONS OF KORAH

a musical journey into the psalms

Tuesday 31st Aug 8pm
Northpoint Baptist Church

116 Mangati Road Bell Block New Plymouth 4312

Concert tickets available at the door or book online at:

www.sonsofkorah.com

Tickets
\$12 ea
Family Pass
\$36

Discounted
online price



Thinking about death and dying

With Charles Hewlett

Principal of Carey Baptist College

Charles and Joanne Hewlett reflect on their faith through 18 years of cancer, disability, hospitals, worry, death and grief.

Session 1: **Does God know where the Children's Oncology Ward is?**

Session 2: **Watching somebody you love die.**

Cost: \$20 per person

Registrations to Northpoint Baptist Church on 755 2374 or info@northpoint.org.nz

charles will be preaching @
Northpoint Baptist Church
@ 10am on Sunday
22nd august 2010.

HOT TIPS EVENTS FOR PARENTS @ Northpoint

40 Top Tips for Parents on Tuesday 28 September & Parenting Teenagers on Wednesday 29 September. Cost \$20 single/ \$35 double per night. www.theparentingplace.com. More info to come.

On the noticeboard this week...

- **Promise Keepers Men's Breakfast "The Overcoming Man"** to be held at the Devon Hotel from 7.00 - 10.00am on Saturday 21 August. Cost is \$20.00 per person. For more details or to book your place contact Tim Hatch on 759 1219 or Paul Easton on 753 9794.
- **WHY? A Tragedy, a Cyclone, a Tiger and Burma.** You may remember Daniel Charman, the teacher from Elim Christian School involved in the Mangatepopo Canyoning Disaster. He will be speaking about the amazing events in his life over the last two years, along with his wife Kathryn on Friday 20th August at Don & Janette Theobald's- 38 Woolcombe Terrace, New Plymouth, at 6pm. All welcome - bring some food to share for a pot luck tea. Any enquiries ph 758 4803. More info on the noticeboard.
- **Community Weight Loss Challenge** - see details on the noticeboard.

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