

Pastor's Pen...

Good morning

This week is a sad week for us as a church community at Northpoint. It is the week we farewell our friend, pastor and sister in Christ, Robyn Lewis. Robyn has been such an amazing gift to all of us here at Northpoint since she started as our Associate Pastor of Adult ministries in 2005 - we have been privileged to walk with her in this season of her life. As the email messages have flooded in over the last week, telling stories of the profound impact this amazing lady has had on so many lives in and outside of our church community, it is clear that she will be deeply missed by all of us. Robyn was thinking of others even in the last few days she had with us, praying for people as we prayed for her, showing the depth of her care and concern for others. Robyn really wanted to share her story with us today, her battle with cancer from the last couple of years. I had been discussing this with her for some time. So this morning we are hoping her words written during this period will speak her message to us the people of Northpoint whom Robyn felt privileged to work with (she told me this on Monday). Robyn we love you and will miss you, we say goodbye for now but know that we will meet again.

Blessings

Mike

Robyn's funeral will be held at Northpoint this coming **Wed 1st Sept at 11am**. This will be followed by a light lunch. Finger food contributions would be appreciated. Vospers Funeral Home is open from 2:00-4:00pm today for those who want to say their goodbyes to Robyn.

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.
- **Pastoral Care.** If you have any pastoral needs or concerns please contact the office or Terry on 752 0796 or Margy on 755 1966.
- **Back to Church Sunday** - 12th Sept - please remember to pass on the invitation that was included in your newsletter last week.
- **Evening Service here @ Northpoint** at 7.00pm on Sunday 26 September. We will have the City Sounds choir here to share their gifting with us. If you have considered joining a choir they would be more than happy to answer any queries you might have and welcome you into the choir. Contact Delys Cleland for more details on 755 1660.
- **GEM \$** meet in the church lounge at 9.30am on Thursday 2 Sept to make beeswax candles. Cost is \$3 each. For more details phone Helen on 755 2353 or Jaimie on 755 0679.
- **Evergreen \$** meet in the church auditorium for 'Old Time Music' with Marie at 10am on Friday 3rd Sept. Bring some morning tea to share, tea & coffee will be provided.
- **Operation Christmas Child Official Taranaki Launch** will be here @ Northpoint at 7.30pm on Monday 30th Aug. RSVP to the church office by 10am on Monday if you would like to attend.

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THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT

Church property forums will be held
TONIGHT Sunday 29th
7.30pm @ Northpoint

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

POSTPONED

Reasons why you should bring your Dad to church on Sunday Sept 5th

1. Sleeping in is so overrated
2. We want to celebrate and honour the Dad's
3. Hanging out together is cool
4. You might win a car*! (*Prizes may differ from those advertised.)
5. The entertainment will not be worth missing
6. Your kids might be on stage!!!!
7. Morning tea will be the bomb
8. Family breakfast or brunch could be a family lunch instead
9. It saves planning another outing
10.?



On the noticeboard this week...

- **Community Weight Loss Challenge** - see details on the noticeboard.
- **Life FM have changed their frequency** from 99.5 to 99.6.
- **Items to giveaway** Secondhand TV and electric organ - see noticeboard for details.
- **Flatmate Wanted:** Christian female to share with 3 others in Westown near the hospital. Call Kelly on 027 314 1309.
- **Organ Event!** Gala recital by international concert organist Carlo Curley on 12 September. See noticeboard for more details.

ELDERS CONTACT DETAILS:

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events
FOR PARENTS

40 Top Tips for Parents
Tues 28 September, 7pm
Parenting Teenagers
Wed 29 September, 7pm
Cost \$20 single/ \$35 double
per night.
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www.theparentingplace.com
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Northpoint

If you can help look after the bookstall or with other jobs on the nights, please see Nicky Joffe.

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