

Chat Sheet

13th April 2025

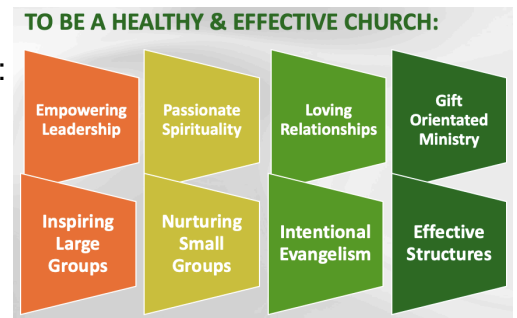


Pastor's Comment

Thanks for coming to our first ever Newcomers Event last Sunday morning! If you missed it, we will be holding our next one in Term 2. Ask around - I think it is worth planning to attend.

One thing we talked about was the eight areas we need to develop to be a healthy and effective church. I'd love to ask you:

1. What is one or two of these that are a strength of NBC?
2. What is one or two of these that need some work here at NBC?
3. If you have been around for a while, which of these have changed over the last year, five years or decade?



Ask others what they think too - it is good getting different perspectives. It is encouraging knowing what our strengths are, and by working on our weaker area, we can lift the effectiveness of the whole church.

There is an important distinction we want to make - our goal is not to grow the church, but to ensure we have a healthy church. If we aim to grow the church, there are times when it won't grow for a variety of reasons. But if we aim for a HEALTHY church, it will grow in good seasons and it will survive in tough seasons.

We get to pursue a healthy and effective church together, and amazingly, in partnership with God! Jesus is the head of the church, but he is an amazing boss to work for!

***For we are both God's workers. And you are God's field.
You are God's building. 1 Cor 9:3***

Mā te Atua koe i manāki, May God take care of you and comfort you
Pastor Arnie

What's Happening This Week:

Mon 14 th	Haven Games 1:30 - 3:30pm
Tue 15 th	Home Group in NCB's lounge 1:30pm
Wed 16 th	Prayer Meeting 10:30am
Thurs 17 th	No Playgroup due to school holidays
Fri 18 th	Good Friday Service 9am
Sun 20 th	Easter Sunday Service 10am



Prayer Points This Week

- Those of our congregation who are unwell, or have family members unwell, or are recuperating from surgery
- Families that are dealing with grief especially the members from CGEC
- For our Easter Services to be a blessing to our community
- For the organisers and presenters as they prepare for Youth Easter Camps around NZ
- For safe travel for all going to Easter Camps
- For guidance and wisdom for leaders at Easter Camp
- Persecuted Christians around the world as we head into the Easter Season
- For our outreach groups and activities

Easter Youth Camp

This week from 2pm Thurs 17 April until 1pm Mon 21 April 2025 Southern Easter Camp is happening at Spencer Beach TOP 10 Holiday Park, Christchurch.

NBC are sending 6 youths and a leader.



The Youth would like to say a big thank you for all the donations and fundraising you have helped with. We have been able to cover all cost for everyone!

Please collect a Prayer bookmark today and keep these youth in your prayers this week.

Rosters

The Roster sheet for May and June is ready to be filled in. Please add your name, to the sheet in the hall, if you are able to help or email Kate in the office.

We are needing some more people to help on the Sound and Computer desk. If this sounds like you please speak to Kate or Ann N.

Want to help on the Rosters?

There are several ways that you can serve at Nelson Baptist and we are always keen to support and train new people into these roles.

Service opportunities include:

- Welcoming on Sunday morning
- Morning Tea – set up and serve the tea and coffee.
- Sound and Computer desk
- Worship musicians and singers
- Lawn Mowing and Gardening
- Helping at Playgroup or Haven Games

Easter on CBA

This Easter, the Christian Broadcasting Association (CBA) will share the story of Jesus with 300,000+ listeners. They will run on Newstalk ZB for 12 hours straight on Good Friday and another two hours on Easter Sunday.



Check out their website <https://cba.org.nz/> or pamphlet on the noticeboard in the hall for more information.

Replenish Magazines

We now have the first 4 issues of the Replenish magazine in the Church library for you to borrow.

The library can be found in the hallway by the lounge. Feel free to pop in and have a look.



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The Office is open Monday to Thursday however staff hours are variable.

Pastor, Arnie pastor@nelsonbaptist.org or 027 296 1878. Day off is Friday.

Pastoral Care, Tracey care@nelsonbaptist.org

Office Manager, Kate admin@nelsonbaptist.org Hours are Mon, Tue & Thur 9am – 1pm

Giving Envelopes & the offering bowl are in the foyer. Direct credits to Giving account: Nelson Baptist Church 020704-0044159-000 or Redevelopment & building: Nelson Baptist Church 02-0704-0044159-002 (incl your name for receipt purposes)

Need Prayer ? Available anytime - after the church service or by contacting Arnie or Tracey.

Make NCB you home Email us your details or fill in a Form from the foyer or from <https://www.nelsonbaptist.org/details>

Treasurer's Corner

The church leadership are all grateful for your support for the Lord's work in this place.

Offerings for March were \$16767.00.

Extraordinary, thank you.

Donations for Easter Camp

\$1118 + fundraiser

This Sunday the 2023-2024 Donation Receipts are available for you to collect. If you would like this emailed to you please email the office admin@nelsonbaptist.org

Mission Update

Have you checked out the Mission Board in the hall recently?

Recent updates include:

- Mission Aviation Fellowship's (MAF) Autumn booklet and prayer points
- Christian Broadcasting Association's (CBA) Easter pamphlet

If you would like to receive Arotahi's weekly email of updates and prayer points please contact the office.

Christian Movies on Now

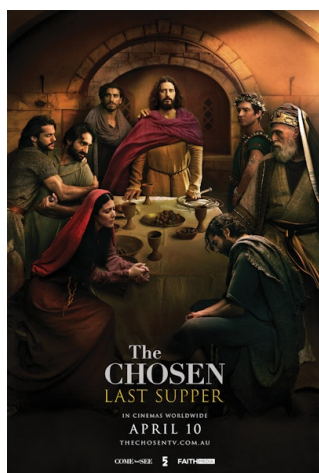
Have you seen the Christian Movies that State Cinema Nelson is showing this week?

The Chosen: Last Supper Overview

Jesus rides into the holy city as king, but finds His Father's house has been turned from a place of prayer into a corrupt market. As the Jewish High Priest schemes against the would-be Messiah, Jesus strikes first—turning the tables on religious corruption.

The King of Kings Overview

Charles Dickens embarks on a heartfelt journey to mend his relationship with his son, Walter, by sharing the ultimate story of hope and redemption: the life of Jesus Christ. Through young Walter's vivid imagination, the story comes to life, from the nativity to the resurrection, weaving themes of sacrifice, love, and eternal triumph. The King of Kings is a visually stunning animated retelling that brings the timeless story of Jesus to a new generation, inspiring faith and wonder in all who watch.



Hey Kids and Teenagers

It is great to have you here today. There will be activities / worksheets for you to work on during the Sermon.

Listen out for your time to collect / receive these activities.



Upcoming Youth & Young Adults Events

The Upper South Baptist Association has sent through information about a couple of events happening for anyone 15 through to late 30's. If you are interested in these please speak to the staff.

People of the Narrow Path Retreat (18+)
13th - 15th June 2025 at Te Waiora just out of Christchurch. A time of rest and reflection, some facilitated sessions, community with peers, and 1-1 mentoring or coaching.

Xtend (15-18 year olds)
30th June – 3rd July. A Christian leadership and discipleship camp for teens.

Contact Details

Has your phone number, email or address changed recently? Are you wanting to join the Nelson Baptist Family?



You can now share or update your details using the Details page on our website. Go to <https://www.nelsonbaptist.org/details> to complete the form and submit your details.