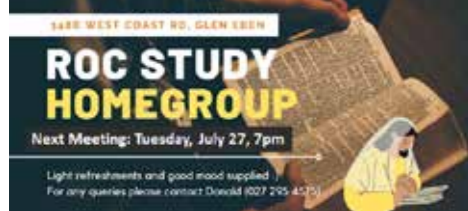


WEST AUCKLAND BIBLE STUDY GROUP



A Bible study group fortnightly at Donald's place in West Auckland. Theme: Understanding Prophecy. Next meeting Tuesday, 27 July, 7pm. Address: 348B West Coast Road, Glen Eden. Any queries: please contact Donald on 027 295 4575.

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY GROUP ON SUNDAY NIGHTS



An Online Bible Study Group on Zoom, every Sunday at 7.30. Duration – 60 minutes. Title: "Jesus in the Old Testament". (Also looking at Hebrews, Romans, Leviticus, Deuteronomy etc.) Zoom details: Meeting ID: 921 5021 2647 Passcode: 079047 For further information, please contact Pastor Vitalii or Elizabeth Ostring.

SDA VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT – PALMERSTON NORTH



The SDA Discipleship Volleyball Tournament will be held on 14-15 August in Palmerston North. Training will be on Sunday from 4pm - 6pm at Avondale College, \$5pp. See Anna-Marie for more information.

LITTLE FREE PANTRY – OPERATIONAL ASSISTANTS NEEDED



We are looking for two assistants to shop for our Pantry once a fortnight to supply our Little Free Pantry, using church funds. If you are able to

help, please see Julie Carter or email her on jjn@xtra.co.nz. Thank you.

CHURCH BOARD MEETING



Board members, you have a Church Board Meeting this Tuesday, 20 July, starting 6.30 pm.

BALMORAL SDA SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP

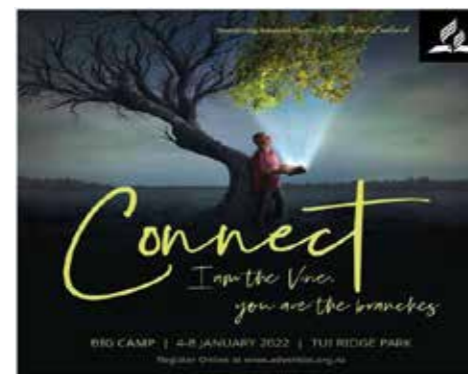


As a church we are happy to support Royal Oak parents send their child to Balmoral School to benefit from the Christian education. For further information regarding potential assistance with fees please contact Pastor Vitalii.

#weRtheCHURCH JULY 30

#weRtheCHURCH is back on July 30 featuring inspiring stories of Adventists who are impacting their local communities across the South Pacific.

BIG CAMP 2022



4 - 8 January 2022 (Tuesday to Saturday) | Tui Ridge Park Big Camp registrations are now open. Attendance Fees
 •Early bird price: 15 July - 26 September (10% discount)
 •Standard price: 27 September - 7 November
 •Late price: 8 November- 1 December (additional 20%)
 •Sabbath day visitors are free but they will still need to register.
 Applications Close December 1.

Church Info

OUR REGULAR GATHERINGS:

House of Prayer Every Wednesday 7pm and Sabbath 8.40am
Church Lunch 1st & 3rd Sabbaths of the month
Pathfinders/Adventurers 1st & 3rd Sabbaths of the month at 2:00pm*
Church Training Every 3rd Sabbath at 2:00pm*
 *During school terms only

OUR MEDIA:

Hope Channel Freeview Channel 27 or Sky 204
First Light TV Freeview Channel 26 or Sky 206
3ABN Radio 107.1FM in Royal Oak, Onehunga & Mangere

Connect Groups

If you're not yet part of a connect group, why not join one? We'd love to grow more with God together...



COOK ISLAND
 Growing with God in the wonderful Cook Island language every second Friday night. *Amosa* - 021 103 4467



SPANISH LANGUAGE
 Growing with God in the wonderful Spanish language Every Friday evening and every Saturday morning
 Antonio - 021 056 5696



SENIORS
SENIORS SOCIAL GROUP
 Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 12 noon in the Church Hall for a shared lunch. Contact Lyn 626 3861

Has God put starting a connect group on your heart? Or are you leading one that you would like to integrate into our church family? If so, please contact: Pr Vitalii Shevchenko

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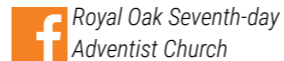
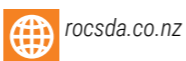
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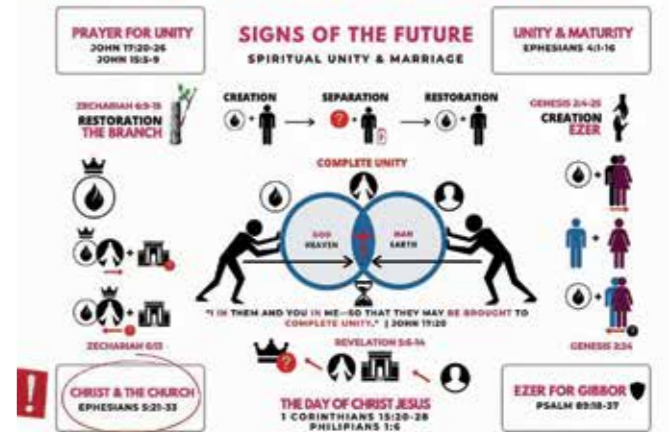
Bulletin Sandy Crawford - bulletin@qps.co.nz or phone 279 3389*
 Contact by midday **TUESDAY** for **NOTICES FOR BULLETIN** or if you would like to receive the bulletin and E newsletter



Welcome to Royal Oak Church



Reflecting Jesus as a family



Sabbath July 17 2021

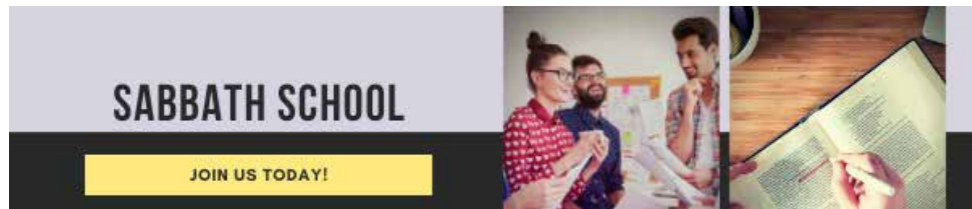
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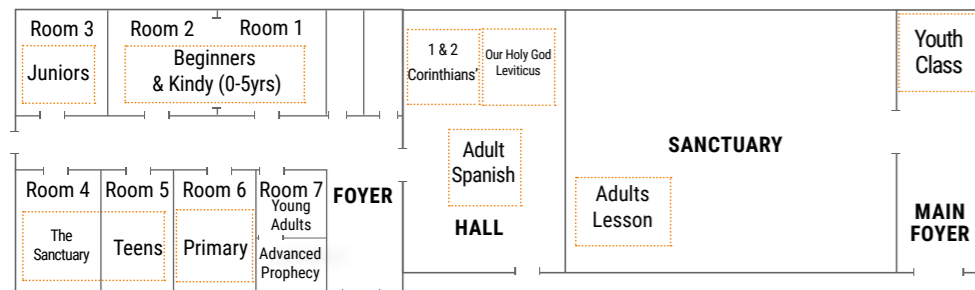
Sabbath School
9:30am



Worship Service
11:00am



WHERE TO FIND YOUR SABBATH SCHOOL CLASS



WELCOME

1 Chronicles 16:8 NLT "Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done."

A warm welcome to Royal Oak Church today. Visitors, it is so good to have you join us today in praising and worshipping God.

KNOWLEDGE OF THE LORD

Getting Into God's Stride

The true test of a person's spiritual life and character is not what he does in the extraordinary moments of life, but what he does during the ordinary times when there is nothing tremendous or exciting happening. A person's worth is revealed in his attitude toward the ordinary things of life when he is not under the spotlight (see John 1:35-37 and 3.30). It is painful work to get in step with God and to keep pace with Him – it means getting your second wind spiritually. In learning to walk there is always the difficulty of getting into His stride, but once we have done so, the only characteristic that exhibits itself is the very life of God Himself. . . .

It is difficult to get into stride with God, because as soon as we start walking with Him we find that His pace has surpassed us before we have even taken three steps. He has different ways of doing things . . . [Jesus] never worked from His own individual standpoint, but always worked from the standpoint of His Father. And we must learn to do the same. . . .

Getting into God's stride means nothing less than oneness with Him. It takes a long time to get there, but keep at it. Don't give up because the pain is intense right now – get on with it, and before long you will find you have a new vision and a new purpose.

Oswald Chambers, 'My Utmost for His Highest', October 12



THOSE LEADING US IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Hymn of Invocation	Spirit of the Living God
Welcome	Mark Ryan
Worship in Song	Praise team
Prayer Song	Now dear Lord as we pray
Prayer	Elvis Mushambi
Offering	Local Church Expense
Children's Story	Dion Fourie
Sermon	Armour of Light
Closing Hymn	Sound the Battle Cry
Benediction	Dion Fourie

The Flowers today are from M McGoon

NEXT SABBATH:

Preacher	Pr Vitalii Shevchenko
Offering	Union Global Partnership
Worship Leader	Rebecca Andrew rebeccamahalia@gmail.com
Cleaning	R Osmond

SUNSET TIMES This Evening 5.24pm Next Friday 5.28pm

God's Message

Armour of light

We know that a Cosmic Conflict, the Great Controversy, is raging at the moment between God and Satan, and we are part of it. Today we examine our part in this war, and how to come out of it victorious.

Revelation 12:17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Romans 13:12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.

1 John 1:5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

Revelation 21:23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

Dion Fourie



TODAY, 17 JULY – DISCUSSION CLUB, MEETING 4



Last Days' Spiritual Counterfeits, Part 2. In the Church Hall at 2.00 pm.

Family Announcements



CHURCH LUNCH THIS SABBATH

We invite all our visitors to stay after the Church service and join with us in the hall for a fellowship lunch. Church members please remember to bring plenty of food so we have enough for our visitors. We request vegetarian savouries or salads as well as a tin of fruit salad or fresh fruit to add to the fruit salad and some, healthy fruit juice. Thank you.

WHEN ENTERING CHURCH



PRAYER MEETING



Be part of our weekly Wednesday night prayer meeting at the church at 7.00 pm. Theme: "Daring to Ask for More". Discover the keys to answered prayer.

For further information please contact Milca at milcamushambi@yahoo.com .

GOOD NIGHT BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM



Thursday, 6.30 pm. For meeting details please contact Pastor Vitalii at vitaliishevchenko@adventist.org.nz

OPENING AND CLOSING SABBATH ON ZOOM



Friday night opening Sabbath and Closing Sabbath on Saturday night, both at 6.30 pm. Zoom details for both nights are: Meeting ID 780 288 7521 PW 9205. If you would like further information, please contact Milca at milcamushambi@yahoo.com .