



Welcome to North Pres News.

In here you will find the dates for various Northern Presbytery events. More information can be found at our website at [www.northpres.org.nz](http://www.northpres.org.nz)

#### Northern Presbytery Volunteers Meeting:

If you are interested in assisting the Northern Presbytery by serving on a Ministry Settlement Board and/or a Parish Review, Forbes Worn is organising an informal meeting to answer your questions and provide some simple training for this task.

*You will find out:*

What is involved.

How much time is required.

What skills you will be able to offer.

*This meeting will be held:*

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm (finishing by 9pm)**

**111 Great South Rd, Greenlane**

Plenty of parking is available behind the building.

**Please RSVP** to Forbes [forbesw@ihug.co.nz](mailto:forbesw@ihug.co.nz)

#### Job Vacancies with Christian World Service:

*Office Assistant:*

Christian World Service is growing and expanding. To facilitate this growth, David Lawson is looking for some volunteer office assistance, initially to help with phoning ministers and parishes. The job can be done from the Auckland office, 409 Great South Rd, Ellerslie or from home. If you enjoy people contact, this is for you. Hours and days worked are very flexible, though at least a few hours a week would be ideal.

*Marketing Intern:*

CWS is also offering a part-time placement for a student in marketing/PR or mediation seeking an internship in Auckland.

**Give David a call to discuss** on phone: 571 9150 or 021 671 430

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#### Work groups & Council:

- **Presbytery Council** holds its monthly meeting for the year on **Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> April** at 10am. Presbytery Executive Council meets weekly on the other Thursdays usually at 7.30 -9.30am at Papatoetoe –St John’s Church.
- **Property & Finance:** When: **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016** at 9am. Where: Presbytery office, 111 Great South Rd, Greenlane.
- **Ministry:** When: **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016** at noon for lunch then meeting at 12.30pm. Where: Mt Roskill –St John’s Presbyterian Church, 422 Mt Albert Rd.
- **Prayer & Healing:** When: **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016** at 12pm. Where: TBC
- **Youth:** When: **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April** at 11am  
Where: 111 Great South Rd, Greenlane

Requests to work groups, should be made available to the group a week before the meeting along with any supporting material. Please email these to the Northern Presbytery office. Thank you.

#### Diary:

- **Regional Youth Service –Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April** at **6pm**, St Heliers Presbyterian Church, 100 St Heliers Bay Rd
- **Northern Presbytery Volunteers Meeting – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm**, 111 Great South Rd, Greenlane
- **Northern Presbytery Leaders Meeting – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May**, meeting to discuss coping with congregational diversity, venue TBC
- **Winter Presbytery –Saturday, 25 June 2016** at Papakura –Pacific Islander Church, Fetu Pula Place (off Eastburn, off Dominion Rd), Papakura. **There will be a Ministers Day on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> June.**

### Ministry Opportunity: Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship:

This is a unique opportunity to minister with a cultural group of people who are live on the margins of society. The Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship is a church for Deaf people. Most members, of whom there are about 35, are born Deaf/Prelingual Deaf people (i.e. they belong to Deaf culture/community and have never heard speech, meaning sign language and for some, lip reading, is their first language). The work consists of two services a month, at 2.15pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays, with other pastoral and advocacy ministry. Deaf people are known as 'people of the eye', and as such, ministry work is visual/kinaesthetic, so that use of power point and other visual, interactive media, with simple language use, is the most helpful. Someone with an understanding of sign language, Deaf culture and history is preferred, although Deaf people are supportive of those who try their best to assist them, whilst learning the skills required. For more info email Rev Marilyn Welch [marilynw@methodist.org.nz](mailto:marilynw@methodist.org.nz)

### Presbyterian Women Browns Bay:

The Presbyterian Women's Group in Browns Bay is still meeting for special events and have two speakers coming to their meetings on **19 April** and **17 May**. The first is **David Lawson**, Relationships Coordinator of CWS, and the second is **Phil King**, Global Missions Coordinator. We would love to extend an invitation to your women's groups or individuals to join us for either or both of these. [The invitation is here](#). You will see from Margaret Scanlan's invite that gentlemen are most welcome too. RSVP or enquiries to Margaret [margaret.scanlan@xtra.co.nz](mailto:margaret.scanlan@xtra.co.nz) or 09 473 9106.

### Mental Health & the Church:

A **one-day conference** that will take a close look at a range of mental health issues including diagnoses such as depression, suicide, bipolar, schizophrenia, and the pastoral care of people who experience

mental health issues.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 9am -4pm**

Windsor Park Baptist Church,  
550 East Coast Rd, Mairangi Bay

**Speakers include:** Dr Andrew Darby, Dr Phil Halstead, Dr Mike Ang and Amanda Christian. Co-convened by Naomi Cowan (Equip) & Alan Vink (WillowNZ). More information is [here](#) in the brochure.

### Preaching God's Word:

Carey has just opened registrations for their two day

**Preaching Conference** on the **21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> July**.

Speakers are Professor William Willimon and Dr Lynne Baab. More information is here

<http://carey.ac.nz/events/preaching-gods-word/>

### Nellie Inglis Application:

A reminder that applications for the Nellie Inglis Scholarship may be made by members of parishes within the Northern Presbytery. Applicants may be students preparing for ministry in the PCANZ. Students need to be accepted by the National Assessment Group and working in a field based learning situation in preparation for the Ministry of the Word, or students appointed to a recognised lay ministry of the Church, who are engaged in a programme of study related to their ministry. Applicants may be students accepted for a recognised ministry of the Church undertaking supervised training in the practice of ministry working with a ministry team. Applicants may be people in ministry who are enrolled for an advanced or post graduate programme of studies in the practice of ministry (for this Ordination and Induction are prerequisites). Applications for the Scholarship will close with the Chairperson of the Committee on the **31st day of May in each year**. Distribution of funds is usually made August/September. Download [Guidelines](#) and [Application form](#).

