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Teen Camp-Out 2004



Kapiti Baptist Church - Work Day



What a blessing it was to start off 2004 at Family Camp. We couldn't have asked for a better beginning, then seeing souls saved and lives changed for Christ.

We just unpacked our bags from Family camp, when we had to repack them to take the youth group on a three day tent camping trip. This trip was great, as we had three new teens come with us. I presented the Gospel to them. One of them said he was saved, one said he could not get saved because he had done too many bad things and God could never forgive him, and the other one did not understand. He is from Korea, and does not understand or speak English very well. Please pray that Sam and Hyung Ju will understand and receive Christ.



It was exciting to see 28 people show up for a church work day. As you can see from the photo on the bottom left, we did some major landscaping. The people spent 5 hours getting the church grounds looking nice. Because of the church's location, we have been hearing from many in town how good the new garden looks. I believe we have even drawn in a few because of it.

We have a lot of work to do on the church as it is in need of many repairs (built in 1937). The front of the church is exposed to the weather elements, which has cause some rotting. We have gotten some estimates to get all the windows and the front door replaced, as well as the front wall repaired from weather rot. We are praying that God will help us meet the estimate of \$8500.00 (\$6000.00 US). Please pray that we can come up with the money, as the front wall will not stay standing much longer.

I believe that I gave the wrong impression on our last report concerning our support level. Our support level has increased, but we are still in need of 4%. So if you're in a position to take on another missionary, please consider us.

If you could continue to pray about the lack of seating, church repairs, and, more importantly, souls to be saved, we would be grateful.

Thank you for your continual support and prayers. God Bless...

Praises

- Church members and congregation getting more involved
- Two new Sunday School teachers.

Prayers

- Souls to be saved
- Finances to enlarge and repair Kapiti Baptist Church
- NZ Baptist Bible Fellowship meeting Feb. 23rd & 24th at KBC
- Friend Day March 14th