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Kapiti Baptist 2004 Mission Conf.



Teen Winter Camp Fund Raiser



Kapiti Baptist Church Repairs



We have been very busy planning for our missions conference, looking for a place to rent, helping our youth raise money for this year's Winter camp, preparing for the Reesor's return and church repairs.

There were three missionaries and their families with us for a three day missions conference. We were not sure how well the conference would be attended or how the people would react to being introduced to faith promise. There had been about \$10 a week that was designated for missions, and the rest was taken from the tithe offering in order to support our missionaries. The peoples hearts were burdened and our weekly missions giving went from \$10 a week to \$140. We were able to take on another missionary. To God be the glory. We are now supporting four missionaries.

We have found a house to rent and have just recently moved in, which is not far from Paraparaumu (where we were before). We are going to keep our old field address (P.O. Box 202), which we are sharing with the Reesors, until a new P.O. Box comes available. We are planning to stay here for a few months to help transition the Reesors back into the work God has intrusted to them. We ask for your prayers as there is a great need to start a new work just about anywhere you go here in New Zealand. We have been praying about several places north of Paraparaumu.

For the past few months we have been trying to help our teenagers raise money to go to the annual Winter Camp. We scheduled two sausage sizzles in front of a local grocery store. They have been very successful and have been able to raise \$10 an hour for each teen that participated. Not counting the leaders, I believe we will have 8 going to camp this year. Please pray that hearts will be burdened to make decisions for Christ.

The Church repairs were finally started and completed this month, with the exception of some detail work (staining, painting, etc...) that needs to be done. Thank you for your donations towards these repairs. I believe the church is now sound and it has already attracted several new faces. Our next project is to remove a wall, as we no longer can accommodate the present congregation.

Our support is still increasing and we are grateful to all that have been supporting us both monetarily and prayerfully. God Bless you.



Praises

- Missions giving has increased and supporting a new missionary
- Church repairs have been completed

Prayers

- Souls to be saved
- Growth at Kapiti Baptist
- Trans. work to Reesors
- Teen Camp July 12-16
- Clear direction for new work
- Work Support Increase