

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 31st AUGUST 2018

MONDAY, 27th AUGUST 2018

Good Morning All. Welcome to Week 6.

Our prayerful thoughts for Mrs Doris Reeve is who is presently unwell.

WELCOME HOME to Matua Billy after his time in hospital.

THANK YOU! As the season for most of our winter sport's teams has come to an end a humungus THANK YOU to all our coaches and management staff who have looked after our teams this season. Awesome effort!

THANK YOU to all Staff and students who travelled on Sunday to join the Waiake Trinity Methodist Parish for worship.

THANKS especially to Grayson Lawrence who led the readings, to Nishi Afimeimounga and Tupou Koka who shared reflections and Fotu Fisi'i'ahi who thanked the parish for their hospitality. A good day out shared with other Methodists.

CONGRATULATIONS to the 1st XV Girl's Rugby Team who played their hearts out on Friday against Hamilton Girl's. It wasn't our day but in every other way we were the winners. THANK YOU to the School for their awesome support.

CONGRATULATIONS to the 1st XV who won their game on Saturday against Rotorua 26-21. In their continuing bid to make the Top Four. They will play Hamilton Boys this Saturday in Hamilton.

CONGRATULATIONS to Staff Nikki Bhana and Yr 13 Ocean Tierney who have both been selected for the Counties Manukau Heat.

Our theme for this week is ON POINT

The Bible reading was from John 10:7-11 on pages 1325 and 1144 in the Wesley Bibles.

'Missing the point' or 'breaking point' are phrases usually heard when things in our lives aren't going very well.

Missing the point ... we're just not getting it. Breaking point ... we're not coping. Often it's a comment perhaps on one's personal effort given or not given to things - our school work, our extra-curricular activities, our sports, our relationships, our families, our faith.

When all is going well, we say we are ON POINT!

Oprah Winfrey said 'The whole point of being alive is to evolve into the complete person we are intended to be.'

The Bible reading reminds us Jesus Christ is THE POINT from which everything flows and comes and is. When our lives are in sync with THE POINT we are pointed in the direction of how best to evolve develop become the people God wants us to be.

People who don't have a compass or direction, a purpose or goals might at times feel that they are missing the point ... but sometimes those times in our lives are actually growing points.

At all points in our life's journey, the turning point is the realisation that whatever turn we take, we are never alone. God is with us.

Our young people are only beginning that journey and the opportunity to help them on their way helps to provide us with direction and sense of purpose ... always keeping us ON POINT!

Have a blessed day.

TUESDAY, 28th AUGUST 2018

Good Morning All

A beautiful start to the day blue skies, fluffy filled clouds and sunshine. God is good!

ON POINT ...

The Bible reading was from Psalm 25:1-5 on pages 676 and 559 in the Wesley Bibles.

v4 'POINT out your ways Lord, teach me your paths.'

The Psalmist continues to remind us of the constant need to be reminded that when we seek God asking for direction, when we are willing to learn from and be directed by God's Word, we will receive specific guidance.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eQKTmmHmMSw&vl=en>

The above video clip reminds us of the hope we have for all our young people: To live meaningful, fulfilled, purposeful lives which motivates them to want to make a difference in the lives of others. Timing is everything and what may be the right time for one person may not be so for the next. God's timing is so ON POINT there's no question around right or wrong only when.

We are asked to be patient and to allow time to reveal itself to us in the timely manner that it does.

Like the Psalmist we continue to ask God to POINT out your ways Lord, that all people may POINT to you!

Have a blessed day.

WEDNESDAY, 29th AUGUST 2018

Good Morning All

It's raining it's pouring ... we are thankful for the new day.

ON POINT ...

The Bible reading was from Galatians 6:3-10 on pages 1454 and 1279 in the Wesley Bibles.

The encouragement and challenge for us every morning is to stay ON POINT!

To get our act together and then to keep it together ... to not give up, to keep going no matter what, because when we do, we will be rewarded.

The promise is we will reap a harvest that is worthy of our effort, we will achieve our goals ...

we will succeed ... we will be good and do good and good will come to us ... who doesn't want that?

For this to happen though we have to know what the POINT is ...

What's the point of coming to school and for about 12-13 years of our lives we are sitting in a classroom?

What's the point of hearing every day God's got us no matter what?

What's the point of doing good and being good to everyone?

What's the point of being honest and trustworthy, kind and forgiving?

What's the point of trying to be our best and to do our best all the time?

The POINT is ... when we are these things ... be these things and do these things ... we're able to see what is possible.

We're given windows of opportunity, glimpses of what our best can look like.

When we do these things we discover things about ourselves we never knew before.

We realise that things once impossible are now possible, things once hard not so hard.

The POINT is ... we are given lives to be lived and fulfilled and everything we achieve, every mistake we make along the way, everything POINTS to this POINT ... to us. We are the POINT!

At what POINT will we take up the encouragement and challenge to live lives filled full and blessed ... to the POINT!

Have a blessed day.

THURSDAY, 30th AUGUST 2018

There was no Chapel message today.

FRIDAY, 31st AUGUST 2018

Good Morning All

A foggy start at Wesley this morning a sign of good things to come. TGIF!

WELCOME and THANK YOU to the Police Team here for the day with the 'Love Me Not' programme.

THANK YOU for all the support last night for Wesley's inaugural POETRY SLAM! CONGRATULATIONS to all our poets.

CONGRATULATIONS to Yr 13 Tuhi Pompey and Yr 11 Vaka Sikahale who have been selected for the Auckland Sec School's League Team.

Vaka is the only Yr 11 student in the whole of the Auckland squad. Awesome Boys!

GO WELL to the 1ST XV who will make their final bid for the Top Four tomorrow against Hamilton Boys High at HBHS 12pm.

GO WELL to the 1st XIII who will be playing at their National Tournament next week.

GO WELL to the U15s Team who begin their national tournament on Monday for the week.

ON POINT ...

Our theme for the week has been ON POINT and throughout the week we have been pointed to and asked the challenging questions around our theme.

Who is our point? What is the point? What does being on point mean? When we miss the point what then? What happens at breaking point?

God is with us when we are ON POINT and when we are not. Our God is ON POINT always and in that is our hope.

Whenever we find ourselves far from the point, there is always the opportunity to find our way back ... through our relationships with God with our families, through respecting one another and the values we uphold, and in that way, we are always, always striving for excellence ... what is fair and just and right!

Have a blessed day and weekend.