

Richard's Corner



We begin today a series on hearing God. It's a subject fraught with complexity in some ways because hearing is always a two-way thing. It consists of both the act of speaking and the act of listening or hearing. Hearing is, in fact, not the same as listening. The great passage in Isaiah where God points out that Israel hears and hears but does not listen to God illustrates what I mean. I am sure we all know what it is to hear the words someone is saying but, because we're not really *present* in the situation we are not really listening which means that effectively we haven't heard what has been said. Speaking is also complex. We can never assume that because we've spoken we've been understood and again the OT is full of examples of the stylistic repetition of phrases in order to emphasise the meaning and also offer readers a second chance to really hear what is being said. Communication is simply not straightforward. As we begin this series can I encourage you to dig deeper with God in regard to hearing Him. God is always speaking to us—that's God's nature. God is Word. And God is interested in the detail of our life—not just the big events but the small ones as well. God longs for us to share those small things with Him. This is, in many ways, what we mean when we say 'God loves us.' God is interested in the whole of our life—in all we are—the doubts and the confidence, the sadness and the joy, the frustrations and the triumphs. The next four weeks will enable us to work together on our hearing. Don't miss it. Join a Small Group even if it's just for this period. We'd love to listen to you!

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Next week

Service Leader: Richard Dawson
Worship Team: Tim Gonzales
Bible Reading: Erina Caradus
Data Projector: Rachel Elder
Sound: Wayne Harray & Ged Forbes
Welcome team: Alastair Yule, Ivan Martinez
Setup Team: Wayne Harray
Prayer Ministry: Jessica & Peter Crothall

Preacher: Helen Harray
Door & Offering: Bates Family
Children's Talk: Adrienne Knowles
Prayers for Others: Bill Lee
Duty Elder: Alastair Yule
Morning Tea: Chris & Richard Newton
 Jocelyn & Steve Springthorpe



St Stephens Leith Valley

"Growing great community"

WELCOME

11 August 2013

Service Leader: Helen Harray

Worship Leader: Matt Dent

Speaker: Richard Dawson



Today at George Street

- It's great to have you with us. If you are new or visiting we hope to catch up over morning tea.
- This morning we will share communion together, and Richard will begin our series on "The Whisper of God."



Today's Reading: Acts 9:1-19

Studentsoul Tonight 7pm

Come and hear Murray Rae speak on faith and science.

Today's team

Door & Offering: Brian, Summer, Tui Adams
Prayers for Others: Colin Fitzpatrick
Sound: Craig Campbell
Welcome team: Wayne & Helen
Prayer Ministry: Nick Bates
Setup Team: Kent Rickerby

Bible Reading: Rachel Pettigrew
Data Projector: Wayne Harray
Duty Elder: Liz Christensen
Morning Tea: Andrew & Jane Dawson
 Chris & Richard Newton

LV info & events

TODAY!

2pm Leith Valley Church

Come and hear Anna Scadden talk about her recent experience in Chile.



Please check the notices table for your copy of the new roster.

George St School Fair

Sat 7 September 11am-2pm

Needed: A team of about 10 LV people to help clean up at 2pm. Great opportunity to serve our community!!

Men! We will be meeting every **First Thursday of the month** for a casual catch up.
Filadelfios 7-10pm.

This week at Leith

Senior Youth Group Tues 7pm
Women's Coffee groups
Weds 10am
Thurs 10.30am
Men's breakfast group
Weds 6.30am

Women Together



Spring Fling

Saturday 31 August
Leith Valley Church
7pm

Pick up an invitation today.

FUNDS NEEDED

The LV netball team have encountered higher fees than expected and are very interested in a kind sponsor or else some odd jobs to earn the shortfall! Contact Shane 4731111 or 021 680024

Noticeboard

The Dunedin Care and Craft Group

- ♦ The Care and Craft group is run every **Thursday, 10.30am-2pm**
- ♦ New volunteers needed to join the team. No specific experience or skills are required.
- ♦ If it sounds like something you would be interested in then please contact **Peg Makinson - 466 7407**. She would love to hear from you and would be happy to answer any questions.

Private Board 2014

a responsible student from the North Island is looking for board with a Christian family in Dunedin for 2014 while he does the intermediate year in Health Science. Please contact Bill Lee 021509484 if you can assist.

Meet
Joshua Bogunjoko
new International
Director of SIM.



Calvin Community Church,
Gore 7pm, Tuesday 13 August

FAITH THINKING

Jointly offered by the Department of Theology and Religion, University of Otago, and some Dunedin Churches

Courses Coming up:

1) Going deeper into the Gospel of Mark – by Paul Trebilco

Friday August 16, 7.00-9.00 pm and
Saturday August 17, 9.00am-12.30

Venue: Stewart Hall, Highgate
Presbyterian Church

Cost: \$30, Students/Unwaged: \$20

2) Spiritual Practices – Sabbath, Fasting and Prayer - by Lynne Baab

Wednesdays Sept 11, 18 and 25.
7.00 - 9.00 pm

Venue: Burns 5, Albany Street,
University of Otago

Cost: \$30 Students/Unwaged: \$20

To register: Email

continuing.education@otago.ac.nz
or phone 479 9181.

A young couple need double bed blankets and kitchen cutlery and utensils. If anyone can donate these please contact the office.