



Manawatu Update

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I recently talked with a business owner about risks we take in life. Eventually we got to talk about an even greater risk that I suggested we take, of how we will give account of our lives to our Creator. He was interested but didn't feel the impetus of the risk. People love darkness, says John. In personal evangelism, this is one among many conversations I have with people, trying to find a simple way to ask an important question to make them re-evaluate their lives and preference for autonomy. Please pray for insight and many conversations wherever I find myself.

Since my last operation I've started to get back into some work again and I have two part-time jobs and one casual on-call one. We are managing by God's grace to have sufficient for our needs, however, work stability for both my wife and I is something I'd like to see us work on in the upcoming year. Please pray for some meaningful work for my wife and I, that will allow time for us to engage in different aspects of focussed Christian activity.

I was recently asked to take on another chaplaincy home, so now I take a meal over to three homes. During my last visit I stayed on after and we did a reading and had a small discussion. Usually, I'm available to talk and there is indifference amongst the residents towards Christian truth. Please pray for these men and women in these homes and an openness to spiritual matters.

We didn't run Christianity Explored this year but instead I co-facilitated Hope Explored over three weeks with a local church we used to attend several years ago. We had some good conversations and one responded to the message after dinner follow up. Please pray for this lady and also more opportunities to run this short course.

Recently we had our staff conference and I attended a children's speaker training. I appreciated the fellowship and unity at both. I will also be looking to help out at Highland Home Christian Camp October holiday camp.



