

February 2023

SOUTHERN HEADLINES

Southern Presbyterians Newsletter

Kia ora and welcome to the first newsletter from Southern Presbyterians for 2023. This month we have an article on supervision from Rev. Silvia Purdie, an update on youth from Brad Kelderman and a few other

notices. If you have any design related questions, don't hesitate to ask, or if you have a story, article, or advertisement you would like to share, please contact Gabe at office@southernpresbyterians.nz



Should I sack my Supervisor??

Article on supervision by Silvia Purdie - January 2022

Professional supervision is a significant investment of time and money. But is it working for you? The new year is an excellent time to reflect on what you need this year, and to review your supervision.

6 Red Flags - Do any of these apply to you...?

- *I like my supervisor, but to be honest, supervision has got boring and predictable.*
- *My supervisor is nice, but somehow we don't get to talking about the things I am really struggling with.*
- *I sometimes wonder who it's for, as my supervisor spends most of the time sharing about him/herself.*
- *It is a logistical hassle to find time and then travel to get there – I cancelled several times last year.*
- *My supervisor only seems interested in problems, which can feel depressing.*
- *I wish I could find a Christian supervisor who could relate to the spiritual challenges of ministry.*

Then what??

If you are feeling underwhelmed or frustrated with your supervision, first talk this over with your supervisor. The whole point of supervision is to be a safe space where you can grow in your leadership

and ministry. So it is the ideal place to practice a courageous conversation, in which you articulate what you want and need. A good supervisor will be open to reviewing how the relationship is working for you.

If you are still not happy after talking it through, you are free to decide to end the supervision relationship. Hopefully this process has clarified for you what you are looking for in a new supervisor. If you are open to trying online supervision, you have a wide range of possible people to choose from. Consult directories and ask around. Pray about it.

The point is...

Christian ministry springs from the place where Jesus hears his Father say: "You are my Son, my beloved, in whom I am well pleased." Ministry supervision is a vital space where you can reconnect again with God's favour and affection for you, and explore how this is expressed in your work. 2023 will no doubt bring many challenges and demands. As you give out to others and lead in the church, may supervision sustain you and encourage you, sharpen your skills and grow your confidence.

Rev. Silvia Purdie is a counsellor and supervisor, based in Upper Hutt. Contact her at silvia.purdie@gmail.com, or phone 027 242 1113. www.conversationscounselling.nz.

Upcoming Events



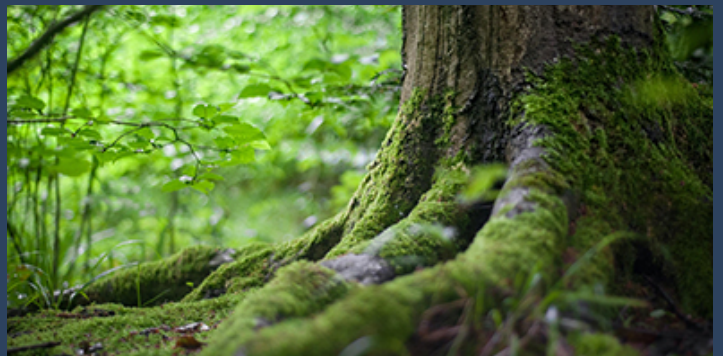
**Dunedin Hospital
Chaplains Commissioning**



**Invercargill
CPE Course**



**Children's Ministry
Easter Resource Evening**



**Silent Retreat
2023**

Vacancies



**Calvin Youth,
Gore**

National Vacancies

St James, New Plymouth

St Andrew's, Hamilton

Eastern Bay of Plenty Presbyterian

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YOUTH MINISTRY

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2023 IS ALL GO!

WOW what a phenomenal summer we have had in Otago & Southland! I hope you have had a good break and got some quality time in with family and friends. But then almost out of nowhere....we are straight back into it! Youth ministry for many of us is just kicking off. In our Presbytery office we have been praying for you all and getting excited about a return to a "normal" uninterrupted year of youth ministry. Let's go!

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

For most of us, the start of the year means thinking ahead and getting ourselves organised. In this newsletter you'll find some links to the most popular resources from the past few years. As well as some info on events for your youth and for you the youth leaders. NOTE: Camp Columba's BOOST Camp is coming to Dunedin! Also, there is some info to help churches who are employing leaders,. Please contact me if you need help with employment issues. Also get in touch anytime for a chat, resources, coaching, ideas, or anything you need.

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COMING EVENTS

DUNEDIN NETWORKING



Monday Feb 20
The Hub, East Taieri Pressy
7pm - 8:30pm

[MORE INFO](#)

INVERCARGILL NETWORKING



Thursday Feb 23
Kahu Ariki Cafe
12pm

[MORE INFO](#)

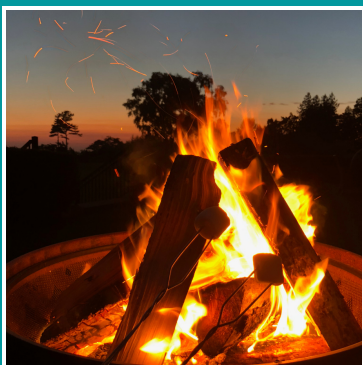
ANAMATA (SU TRAINING)



Saturday Mar 11
9am - 4pm @DCBC
\$35 (includes lunch)
Workshops for new and experienced youth leaders.

[MORE INFO](#)

CLUTHA YOUTH COMBINED



Saturday Mar 25
Camp Columba

[MORE INFO TO COME](#)

EASTER CAMPS



Two locations.
Two great camps.

[PUKERAU - CLICK HERE](#)
[DUNEDIN - CLICK HERE](#)

DUNEDIN & GORE BOOST CAMPS



A weekend camp for youth, learning more about God and jamming in loads of fun. Run at both Camp Columba AND Tirohanga! More info to come!

[PUKERAU: FEB 24-26](#)
[TIROHANGA: MAY 12-14](#)

RESOURCES

NUA



A video based discussion style curriculum. Explores the key questions around faith. Easy to use and brilliantly made.

[CLICK HERE](#)

YOUTH ALPHA



Video based curriculum. Matches the adult version of Alpha, just made with teens in mind. So easy to use. Well made.

[CLICK HERE](#)

RE:FORM



About forty or so, funny, 3-5min long, discussion starter videos, covering all aspects of faith. Pitched at younger youth.

[CLICK HERE](#)

CAN I ASK THAT?



Discussion guide on the big, tough questions teens ask. Made by Fuller Youth and can accommodate multiple different stances.

[CLICK HERE](#)

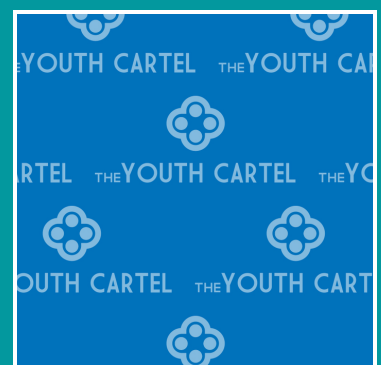
BIBLE PROJECT



A huge library of short animated videos that teach on various themes and books of the bible. So many resources for free!

[CLICK HERE](#)

VIVA!



A large library of bible studies/discussion guides on various topics and themes. Most are 3-4 weeks series.

[CLICK HERE](#)

EMPLOYMENT



EMPLOYMENT GUIDE

This document, developed by PYM, will help guide you through the employment process. Please contact Brad Kelderman for additional support if employing staff.

[READ MORE](#)



PYM PAY SCALE

A helpful tool to help churches know what to pay their employed youth leaders, whilst keeping in-line with PCANZ policies.

[READ MORE](#)



PCANZ CONDITIONS OF SERVICE MANUAL

When employing a youth leader, section 3 of the Conditions of Services Manual contains helpful information to guide you and to come back to as a reference.

[READ MORE](#)