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COMMUNITY formation

The Church of the Shamed

We have the pleasure of hearing Dr Mick Duncan εκκλησία share in Chapel this week. A masterful storyteller Mick always has a challenging and powerful message to share. He recently taught the block course on Reaching your Community.

It's definitely worth turning up to Chapel this week!

Can you Help in Chapel?

This year in chapel we're trying to develop a new culture around our gathered worship. In particular, we want to nurture creativity, celebrate diversity, and increase participation (beyond

singing). So, here's my question: Do you have a gift that might enrich our worship? Are you a visual artist? Do you write poetry? Do you perform spoken word? Can you plan the cello? Do you have some other skill or gift that could enrich our worship? If so, could you please let me know? Our plan is to compile, for those who are curating our worship times, a big list of the resources in our community. Let me know what you can offer and I'll pass this on to our worship leaders, who may then invite you to help out very occasionally. Don't worry: you won't end up on a roster. But you might end up sharing your gift as a member of the body—for the benefit of us all. Thanks. - John.

Tuesday Interview

John Tucker will be interviewing Josie Te Kahu, President of the NZ Baptist Union.

WEDNESDAY prayer (12:40pm)

Sandy Kerr will be leading us this week in our prayer time when we will be praying for the Baptist Union of New Zealand. Keep an ear out for the bell ringing which signals the start of Chapel.

LIBRARY hours

The library is back to normal hours during semester.

Mon-Thu: 8.30am - 6.30pm

Fri: 9am - 5pm **Sat:** 10am - 12.30pm

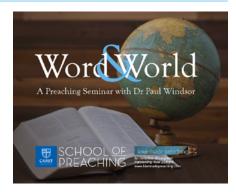
WORD & WORLD **Preaching Seminar**

Are you a budding Preacher or been preaching for a while but need a fresh shot in the arm?

These preaching seminars will sharpen your ability to open up Scripture and culture, word and world.

Our guest speaker is **Dr Paul Windsor**. Paul is the International Programme Director for Langham Preaching and Lecturer in Homiletics at a graduate school in South Asia. He also used to be the Principal of Carey before Charles Hewlett. He was also one of the founders of Kiwimade Preaching.

Go to carey.ac.nz/events for more details



Auckland - 24 May Wellington - 25 May **Dunedin** – 26 May \$30 student price.



Ode to the Unremarked

A friend recently exhibited her work at an art gallery in Auckland. One of her pieces was poignantly entitled "Ode to the Unremarked". Over the past few days I have been thinking about the influence of the (often) unremarked people in my own life. This was particularly apt yesterday—Mothers' Day—dedicated to honouring and celebrating mothers. For women who have not experienced motherhood the day can be a painful and disappointing reminder.

Yesterday at church we celebrated the profound influence of women in the Bible and on our lives. I was reminded of significant friends, colleagues, and leaders, some of whom have not been mothers in the traditional sense, but whose love, courage and guidance have been hugely significant in my own formation and growth. Many of these women remain unremarked—they may never have a day dedicated to them. But they are not unremarkable.

☐ Chris Berry executive director