



# 180 PRE VIEW

HOWICK BAPTIST CHURCH

TERM I '09

## 180'S BIBLICAL PURPOSE

### WHAT WE NEED FROM PARENTS:

- ◆ Sign-up to host a 180d
- ◆ Schedule a cuppa w/the pastor
- ◆ Let pastor Tony know if you would like to be involved
- ◆ Feedback
- ◆ Prayer: 180s, 180d, outreach, Easter Camp, facilities, finances

Expectations can be elusive. At least until they haven't been met. The same thing can happen when it comes to youth ministries. According to statistical surveys and contemporary church trends, youth apparently expect: a social club, entertainment, a crowd, mostly games, motivational pep talks, a charismatic-comedic speaker, or a post-modern-friendly religious experience (with candles, iconic worship, mediation labyrinths, and little doctrinal certainty). Some parents on the other hand, typically expect what could be described as: a moral training centre (i.e. behavior modification), spiritualized babysitting, and a place to make their youth want to stay in church. The church apparently isn't without it's expectations either: a 'successful' youth ministry is one that brings in the numbers (i.e. pragmatism); numbers are so important that youth ministries should work together with other youth ministries even if it means saving doctrines are devalued or confused (i.e. ecumenism); it'll bring in more numbers if less adults and parents are serving in a youth ministry, and the more youth are able to "make it their own ministry" (i.e. para-churchism); it'll keep the numbers if the teaching is kept brief, doctrinally light, funny and filled with stories;

and according to a #1 selling youth book, a youth ministry should introduce youth to the *1-minute Bible!* All the while, few seem to be asking, "Are these expectations even biblical?" The simple answer to that is an emphatic, "No!"



**"180" communicates the kind of change that only the gospel has the power to do and continue to do. It's a 180 degree "turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in [Christ]" (Acts 26:18).**

God speaks with such clarity and concision about how He wants His church run. Ephesians 4:11-16 is God's blueprint for church ministry. And in verse 12, God says that He's given gifted ministers of the Word to "equip the saints for the work of ministry." That means that the various ministries of a local church are to have as their purpose the equipping of God's people by the Word of God so that they can do all

that God wants them to do, namely, to exalt God, edify believers, and evangelize unbelievers. This equipping by the Word of God is to be both taught and caught through preaching (2 Tim. 4:2-4), and the more personal exhortation and example-following that comes through Christ-like discipleship (Matt. 28:19-20; Titus 2:7-8; Heb. 13:7, 17). Where the various ministries differ within the parameters of an equipping ministry, is which kind of "saints" it ministers to. Each stage of life brings with it its own particular kinds of temptations (e.g. 2 Tim. 2:22) as well as God-given responsibilities (e.g. Eph. 5:22-6:4). It's strategic for pastors to provide special focused equipping ministries to help the saints be all that God wants them to be in each stage of life. This is where youth ministry comes in. But it's also where it must never depart. Youth ministries tend to drift from their God-ordained equipping purpose and focus more on what is popular with youth and will bring in the numbers. Usually it begins with the well-intentioned purpose of reaching the lost, but, departing from an equipping purpose, it weakens the saints and consequently the ministry as well. God's way is always best, and departure from God's purpose is never a good thing.

# YOUTH ROOM WORKING BEE

13 FEB 7:00-10:00 PM



## Please remember to bring:

- Paint roller
- Paint brush
- Paint tray
- Ladder
- Drop sheet
- Sandpaper
- Sand block
- Sugar soap
- Sponge/cloth
- Bucket
- \$\$ for 180 Café

Please pray for  
the youth as  
they reach out  
to the lost and  
for this term's  
180 outreach  
and Easter  
Camp.  
Thanks!!

To help keep us focused on the biblical purpose of 180 as well as for the functional needs of 180 ministries, we will be painting and setting up the stage-side of the Gym for 180 HBY Ministries.

We encourage all the youth and their parents and any one else who would like to help, to

come to the 180 working bee and lend a helping hand. It would also be helpful if you would bring any (or several) of the following: *paint roller, paint brush, paint tray, ladder, drop sheet, sandpaper, sand block, sugar soap, sponge/cloth, and bucket.* Please be sure to write your name on your stuff.

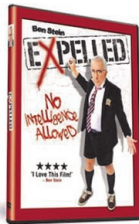
## 180 CAFÉ

### YOUTH ROOM FUNDRAISER

During the working bee there will be a café with espresso coffees, baked goods, and refreshing fizzy drinks for suggested donations toward the youth room set-up cost. We'll have tables, chairs, and music set up. We invite the whole church to make a donation, enjoy a cuppa, and watch youth at work! ☺

## TERM 1 OUTREACH (3 APRIL):

### EXPELLED



This movie has been rated as the #1 documentary of 2008 in the USA. It played in major cinemas across the USA, but never showed in NZ...until now! In this groundbreaking documentary, non-Christian, economist, actor, lawyer, and columnist Ben Stein travels the world on a quest for truth, and learns that educators and scientists are being ridiculed, denied tenure, and even

fired—for merely believing that there might be evidence of design in nature, and that perhaps life is not just the result of random chance. Just another manifestation of how the lost “suppress the truth in unrighteousness” (Rom. 1:18), as well as a great opportunity to invite unsaved friends not only to be challenged in their suppression, but afterwards to be re-introduced to the God they already “know” (Rom. 1:21), but need to come to terms with, through faith alone in Christ alone!

## EASTER CAMP

### @NARROWS PARK

20—24 APRIL

This year we will be joining with over 6 churches that stand together for a non-tainted, accurate gospel. Pastor Tony has been invited to be the main speaker. The cost ranges from \$110-\$125 each. We will plan to do some fundraising to help lower the cost and be able to invite unsaved

youth to come for really cheap so that they can hear God's truth both morning and evening over the five days. The campsite has plenty to do from bush walks and canoeing to indoor rock climbing and other activities. For more info please visit: [www.rbc.org.nz/](http://www.rbc.org.nz/) camps.

## 180d

### APOLOGETICS

2009 marks the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the publication of Darwin's *On the Origin of Species*. There are international plans to commemorate this in big ways. So its all the more crucial that youth in public schools be equipped to “give a defense” (1 Pet. 3:15), especially as they reach out to their lost friends this term. Therefore, the discipleship groups will be watching some great teaching videos on apologetics and answering evolution. You don't want them to miss this! And, of course, parents are invited as well.

# 180'S BIBLE-DRIVEN PLAN

## 1 Assisting Christian parents of teenagers at HBC (Eph. 6:1-4)

- ❖ **The 180 Pre View**—published at the beginning of each term and will inform parents (and their youth) of all the up-coming events for that term, as well as the biblical texts covered at each 180 along with a suggested follow-up question for parents to ask their teens, special announcements, and will usually include a biblical counseling article on parenting and youth issues.
- ❖ **180 Handouts**—at 180s each youth will receive a teaching outline with small group questions and @home questions intended to be worked through with their parents.
- ❖ **180 Year-End Review** (4 Dec 2009)—all parents encouraged to attend to watch a year-end video summing up all that has taken place that year; and sit under the teaching, and leave with a free book on parenting teens.
- ❖ **Cuppa w/the Pastor**—parents are encouraged to host a 180d (discipleship group) in their home and Pastor Tony (& discipleship group leader) will arrive 1 hour early to meet with parents and teen(s) over a cuppa to pray with and to discuss parenting needs and spiritual needs of the teen.
- ❖ **Open Invitation Policy to Parents**—parents are always welcomed and encouraged to attend, assist, and offer feedback.

*180's Purpose:  
180 exists to assist parents of teenagers at HBC in equipping and evangelizing their youth and assist youth in evangelizing their peers*

## 2 Assisting in equipping & evangelizing their youth (Eph. 4:11-12; Titus 2:1-8)

- ❖ **180**—most Friday nights 7:30 pm–9:30<sup>ish</sup> pm—Teaching through the book of Romans to equip Christian youth in the truth of the gospel and by this also call unbelieving youth to genuine faith in Christ.
- ❖ **180d**—most Sunday afternoon/evenings—discipleship home groups intended to more personally and effectively equip Christian youth for the work of ministry.
- ❖ **Impact Bible Conference** (29 May-2 June 2009)—youth will be encouraged, subsidized (if needed), and transported to attend (for more info click the link at: [www.riverbend.org.nz](http://www.riverbend.org.nz))
- ❖ **Leadership Development**—each discipleship group will take turns at food service and clean-up at 180s, and youth are encouraged to help in the various ministry teams: 180 Multimedia Team, 180 Praise Band, 180 Planning Team.

## 3 Assisting Christian youth in evangelizing their peers (Col. 4:5-6)

- ❖ **180 Outreaches**—1 per term—intended to supplement and assist the Christian youth in their evangelistic efforts at reaching their peers. The gospel will be given in some way at each Outreach.
- ❖ **Easter Camp** (20-24 April 2009)—in conjunction with Fellowship of Reformed Baptist Churches in NZ; at Narrows Park, Hamilton; Pastor Tony to be the main speaker. For more info: [www.rbc.org.nz/camps](http://www.rbc.org.nz/camps).
- ❖ **Year-End Water-Day Outreach** (Sat. 12 Dec 2009)
- ❖ **180 On-Campus**—180 Christian youth encouraged to take initiative to start or participate in a Christian club and invite Pastor Tony on campus for the purpose of strategic evangelism or evangelism training.
- ❖ **Short-term missions trip** (2010?)

## HOST A 180d?



Would you consider hosting a 180d in your home?

For this

term, you would just need a DVD player connected to a TV. For next term nothing. This term 180d will be from 7:30 pm to 8:30<sup>ish</sup> pm. Next term it will be from 4:00 pm to 5:00<sup>ish</sup> pm. You won't have to worry about drinks or snacks or even clean-up, the discipleship groups will sort that out. Also, size of room(s) doesn't matter, we are

flexible. Please also note that Pastor Tony and his wife Chantelle would love to have a cuppa with you about an hour before in order to get to know you better and to pray with you and your teen(s). Please call (027-24-26-016) or email ([pastortonymunez@gmail.com](mailto:pastortonymunez@gmail.com)) Pastor Tony with the date you would like to host a 180d. Thanks heaps!!!

The following are the dates:

**March:** 8, 22, 29

**April:** 5

**May:** 3, 10, 17, 24

**June:** 14, 21, 28

## SERVE THE LORD IN 180?

If you would like to help in any of the following areas, please let Pastor Tony know. Thanks!

- Discipleship group leader training
- 180 Planning Team
- 180 Praise Band
- 180 Multimedia Team—includes publications, sound, video recording and editing, PowerPoint
- Service team leader



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Parent feedback is much appreciated—email, call, or visit a 180—Parents always welcome!

Coming soon...  
180 online

Access *The 180 Pre View* online as well as download the teaching for free, and other info available only online.

# 180 CALENDAR—TERM 1 '09

## FEBRUARY

- 6** No 180 (Waitangi Day)
- 13** **Youth Room Working Bee**—bring: *paint roller, paint brush, paint tray, ladder, drop sheet, sandpaper, sand block, sugar soap, sponge/cloth, bucket, and money for 180 café*
- 20** **How to Evangelize** (Calvyn)  
? "What's one of the ways you learned how to walk someone through the gospel?"
- 27** **How to Evangelize** (Jono)  
? "What did you learn that was important *not* to forget when evangelizing?"

- = Friday night 7:30-9:30<sup>ish</sup> pm\*
- = Sunday night 7:30-8:30<sup>ish</sup> pm\*
- ? = Suggested follow-up question
- △ = Special event
- = Cancellation
- B = Boys d-group service team on
- G = Girls d-group service team on

## MARCH

- 6** **180 Official Kick-off:** B  
Romans 1:1-15  
? "What struck you the most about Paul's commitment to the gospel?"
- 8** **180d—Apologetics** B G  
Location: TBA
- 13** **180—Romans 1:16-17** G  
? "What is the main theme of Romans and what does it mean?"
- 15** No 180d (Pastor Tony@WEBC)
- 20** **180—Romans 1:18-32 (Pt. 1)** B  
? "Why is someone who's never heard the gospel still without excuse before God?"
- 22** **180d—Apologetics** B G  
Location: TBA
- 27** **180—Romans 1:18-32 (Pt. 2)** G  
? "How is God abandoning people to homosexuality a manifestation of His wrath?"
- 29** **180d—Apologetics** B G  
Location: TBA

## APRIL

- 3** **180 Outreach: Expelled**
  - 4** **180 Outreach Follow-up: God of Wonders**  
(tentative) 7:00-9:00 pm
  - 10-26** School Holidays  
No 180 or 180d
  - 20** **Easter Camp '09**  
For more info visit:  
[www.rbc.org.nz/camps](http://www.rbc.org.nz/camps)
  - 24**
- 180 back in action in term 2 on **1 May**

\* To help cover food and drink costs a \$2 donation is suggested. Any surplus will go toward 180 outreaches.