

God's Message

Devotion For the Long Haul

Scripture Reading: Acts 19:8-20; 20:17-38

Which is more challenging, getting something started or keeping something going? Both situations have their particular challenges and require a specific set of skills to deal with.

During his ministry, Paul established a large number of churches throughout the Roman Empire; indeed, his ambition was to be a pioneer for the Gospel and not build on another's foundation (Romans 15:20). However, he also stayed for significant periods of time at various centres, the longest of which was three years at Ephesus during his third missionary journey.

After his attempts to reach the Jewish population in Ephesus were rebuffed, Paul began a daily teaching ministry in the lecture hall of Tyrannus, which lasted two years (Acts 19:9,10). A manuscript known as the Bezan text— indicates Paul carried out his work between 11.00am and 4.00pm when the city's inhabitants would have been resting during the heat of the day.

When Sabbath is taken into consideration, this ministry involved over 3,000 hours of Gospel teaching, a testimony to Paul's commitment and perseverance. His devotion was affirmed by God through extraordinary miracles, powerful conversions, and the spread of the Gospel throughout the province of Asia (Acts 19:9-20).

Paul's poignant farewell address to the Ephesian elders also provides some insights into his ministry. Despite facing a combination of Jewish plots, pagan opposition, and the influence of false teachers, Paul remained resolute and devoted to Jesus and the proclamation of the Gospel.

This attitude of devotion for the long haul typified the life and ministry of the apostle Paul, hence the reason he could speak these immortal words as he faced death, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith," (2 Timothy 4:7).

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Welcome To Tokoroa Seventh-Day Adventist Church



March 16, 2019

Preparing O People To Meet Jesus Christ

Church Info

Song Service :	Worship Team
Welcome :	
First Hymn :	Worship Team
Prayer :	
Offering :	
Second Hymn :	Worship Team
Sermon :	Elder Vince Mouroa
Closing : Hymn :	Worship Team
Benediction :	Elder Vince Mouroa

Deacons on Duty

Deacon : Vince Mouroa

Deacon : Yeangaro

Leading Elder

Elder : Barney Teao

Announcements

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Are you wanting a clearer understanding and deeper insights into God's Word? The Tuesday night Bible Study is on this coming Tuesday.

Contact the Elder's for more information.

Study

There is a study on Tuesday morning at Monica's house at 10am. These studies are available for all ladies who are available. You are all welcome.

Contact Tina Ahsin PH 078861338

Head Deacon Notice.

All activities for the hall & church **MUST** be directed to the Head Deacon, for Health & Safety reasons and of course Accountability. No activities in church facilities/hall after 12pm Thursday so families can clean God's House ready for Sabbath.

Community Dinner 31 March@5pm.

Youth Week of Prayer - Starting Monday @7pm - Friday 7pm - Teens and Youth only

Prayer Ministries Prayer Request.

"Hear my cry O God; listen to my prayer"

You are invited to put your prayer request into the tithe envelope or give it to Kath.

Sunset Time: 7:35

Prayer Breakfast

You are all invited to come and have breakfast
23 March 2019 @ 7am. (**No Children**)
This is a special prayer breakfast with a guest speaker.
Let's pray and eat together to begin our Sabbath worship.

BULLETIN NOTICES

To have a notice included in this weekly bulletin, or to receive the bulletin via email, please email your details by 10pm Wednesday to toksdaadventist@gmail.com

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Acknowledgements

Pastor Tata and the Church would like to give a huge thank you, to Graeme. He has fixed many things in the church. From the leak in the roof to the taps in the toilet, and so much more. We just want to say from the bottom of our hearts, that we appreciate you. May God richly bless you, in his service for him.

Up and coming events

18th - 22nd March

Youth Week of Prayer 2019

MARCH 23 @ 7am - Prayer Breakfast

APRIL 5 - Pathfinder Expedition Nth 2019

May 11 - Adventist Health Week

MAY 17 - Pathfinder Master Guide

Training 2019

Offering

This Week's offering

Local

Next Sabbath

Education NZ

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