

CHAPEL MESSAGES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 13th NOVEMBER 2020

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O le ala i le pule ma le manuia, o le tautua.
The path to leadership and success, is service.

MONDAY, 9th NOVEMBER 2020

Good Morning All

A beautiful spring day out here on the Farm. Giving thanks.

It's a busy week for us culminating on Friday with Leaver's Chapel, Senior Prizegiving and Leaver's Dinner.

THANK YOU for the welcome given to the Year 8's who visited the School with their parents and families on Saturday.

Was a wonderful introduction for them to the School. THANK YOU to all our Staff and students involved.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION we celebrated our final service for the year which seems strange but given where we are and when the academic year concludes, it kind of fits in with strangeness of this whole 2020 year. Our Seniors particularly were very pensive and prayerful as the reality of what it means for them is becoming more clear. We pray for them.



Our theme for this week is:

The Bible reading was from Genesis 28: 10-17 on page 35 of the Wesley College Bibles.

Plan purposefully
Prepare prayerfully
Proceed positively
Pursue persistently

The 4 P's to STARTING STRONG .. FINISHING STRONGER and given where we are in the year, the call is to FINISH STRONGLY the call is to work harder, the call is to plan the end of the year as if we are just beginning. Be excited, look forward in hope and be thankful that we have reached this time of the year.

v 15 'I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go and I will bring you back to this land I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.'

God will not be done with us until God has fulfilled God's promise to us. When we have that kind of promise, when we have that kind of assurance, and certainty in such an uncertain time ... God's 'got us.' We become a people empowered and capable of anything ... we become adept, gifted and accomplished of not only STARTING STRONG but FINISHING STRONGER!.

IT IS NOT HOW YOU
START... BUT HOW YOU
FINISH. *Finish strong!*

Have a blessed day and week.

TUESDAY, 10th NOVEMBER 2020

Good Morning All

After yesterday's very seasonal weather am not predicting anything today but still giving thanks.



Our Chapel theme this week ...

The Bible reading was from 2 Chronicles 15:1-8 on page 541 of the Wesley Bibles.

v7 But as for you be strong and do not give up for your work will be rewarded.

Not giving up is hard work and requires dedication and an unrelenting commitment to not only completing a task, but completing it well.

Staying strong and finishing strong, staying hopeful and excited needs to be our daily mantra, our daily practice, a daily habit.

The exciting part often overlooked when FINISHING STRONGER is the actual journey itself not, the destination or finish line.

FINISHING STRONGER may be the end result, but being thankful for the journey and humble at the end, is the true character of FINISHING STRONG.

**today is a
good day to
have a good
day.**

#finishstrong

Have a blessed day.

WEDNESDAY, 11th NOVEMBER 2020

Good Morning All

PRAYERS and THOUGHTS for our people in Napier.

PRAYERS and THOUGHTS for our World especially those countries having to deal with catastrophic Covid cases.

GIVING THANKS that as a country and nation, for the Pacific region we continue to be safe and to care for one another.

START STRONG FINISH STRONGER ...

The Bible reading was from 1 Chronicles 28:20

‘David also said to Solomon his son, Be strong and courageous, and do the work.

Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God, my God, is with you.

He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the Lord is finished.’

The assurance that God is with us is the strength of purpose we need, the way forward to proceed, the persistence of mind to start, to stay and to finish in the same vein ... **STRONG AND STRONGER!**

STARTING STRONG is critical, having a plan is vital and decisive to how the plan will unfold.

When we are able to **START STRONG** our ability to **FINISH STRONGER** is a given.

Plan with a purpose, **Prepare** prayerfully, **Proceed** positively, **Pursue** persistently.

Have a blessed day.

THURSDAY, 12th NOVEMBER 2020

Good Morning All

God's glory greeting us on the farm this morning ... see attachment ... Giving thanks!

WELCOME BACK to Hostel Parent Mr Raos. Praying your recovery continues well.

TOMORROW is a BIG day for us with Leaver's Chapel beginning at 3pm followed by Senior Prizegiving and Leaver's Dinner.

It is cause for celebration as we give thanks for the success of our Senior School and farewell the Leaver's Class 2020.



The Bible reading was from Ephesians 6:10, 13-18 on page 1463 in the Wesley Bibles.

Consistent, Persistent, Committed, Dedicated are all ways of strength.

To an extent a degree of stubbornness is required to **START STRONG FINISH STRONGER!**

Courage calls us to be proactive in our persistent pursuit of **FINISHING STRONGLY!**

We need to be on to it, stay on it and finish well.

Why ... because we can, because it's a God given opportunity, because it is blessing, because we are capable, because we have the ability, because we have the resources, because we have goals and dreams, because at the end of the day God wants what is best for us, because we want what is best for us. We want to be better people and leave our school, our homes, communities better places for our having been there.

The Bible reading encourages us to responsibility and integrity. The 'tools of the trade' so to speak equips us for the job of life. When we order our life around God's intention equipped and strengthened, prayer becomes our life and our life becomes a constant prayer, praying for every situation we meet throughout the day. Why? ... because this is God's intention. Why? ... because we are worthy of God's intent.

When we are intentional people we **START STRONG**, we stay strong, we **FINISH STRONGER!**

Have a blessed day.

FRIDAY, 13th NOVEMBER 2020

There was no Chapel message today.

