

# The Fentons

SERVING IN NEW ZEALAND

#### **COVID19 IMPACT**



There is no question that Covid19 has had a huge impact around the world. And while New Zealand has managed to keep it out of the country, the disease has still affected ministry here. • Our plans to do furlough replacement in January were cancelled because the missionary was not able to go back to the States. • Most of our planned seminars at sister churches were cancelled due to travel restrictions. • No one without a citizenship or residence visa can get into NZ. • If we were to leave now, we would have to pay \$4000 for a 2-week quarantine upon re-entering NZ. Please continue to pray with us as we seek to find creative ways to minister in these unusual times.

#### **CHURCH PLANT**



- The 23 year old daughter of one of the families has given her life to the Lord! She was raised in a Christian home but got messed up with a drug culture right out of high school. Surviving a horrendous vehicle accident caused her to seek the Lord again. She is now reaching out to her two older brothers who are in a drugdominated world as well.
- One couple has seen some serious spiritual growth over this last year. For the last several years, this couple has been away from the Lord and he developed a drinking problem. Two weeks ago the husband asked us as a church to pray for him and hold him accountable as he gives up drinking.
- I suggested this past Sunday that we do a Bible interpretation class that would run about 10 weeks. *Everyone* said they want to take the class; we will begin in April.
- We've had visitors come and go throughout the year mostly people who either want to ride a hobby horse or want to hide in the back row of a church. We have no hobby horses or back rows so those people keep on moving. However, everyone in the church has multiple evangelistic relationships and we are praying to see more people come to know the Lord and be added to the church. Please join us in prayer to that end.

#### **CHURCH LEADERS' RETREAT**



We have another Ministry Leaders' Retreat scheduled for March 15-19. Five new couples will be joining us for this much-needed retreat. The purpose again will be to help them rest, pull back from the edge of burn-out, and learn some new ways of dealing with the stresses of family and ministry responsibilities.

We again are asking our supporters to consider sponsoring a ministry couple for the retreat. The cost is

\$400USD per couple. If you would like to be a part of providing for one of the couples, please send a cheque to our sending church

(address listed below left) and mark it "Fentons' Ministry Retreat". Your sponsorship allows couples who would otherwise be unable to attend take part in this vital ministry.

(From a previous attender) "[The retreat] has been a life-line and made me feel like I can breathe again. My heart needed this..."

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## Thank You!

We are so grateful for your faithful support and co-labouring with us here in NZ.

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