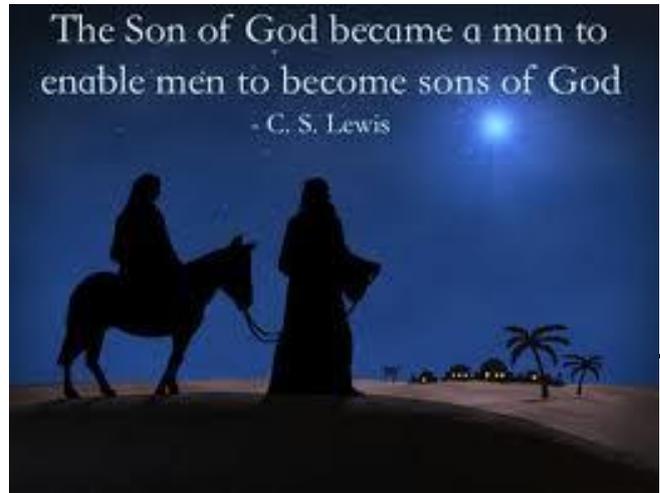




**"FROM THE HEART":** God's journey as a man began in Bethlehem, not a great city but a small town in a remote part of the world, not in a palace but in a cattle trough, not announced by men but angels. I have recently been viewing a video series called "Jesus - The Game Changer". It helped me realise that the freedom, everything we enjoy in our western world can be traced back to Jesus and He was and is the Saviour of the world. As you come to celebrate God's entry into our world in the person of His Son, take a moment to contemplate how he has changed our lives and our world so completely.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our leaders who give sacrificially to the boys of NZ, to ensure they get to hear this life changing message, and to wish you all a blessed Christmas and happy New Year.

**Michael Good – National Director**



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR PATCH -



## CENTRAL NORTH ISLAND MEDICAL CAMP



Royal knight Andy Todd along with Young Gun Knights Cameron and Pete took around 160 prospective knights to Finlay Park for an amazing weekend of fun, challenges, God time, food and just hanging out together. Big thanks to our mums who volunteered their time to cook and for parents who came as helpers!!



## NORTHERN REGION STAR WARS CAMP



Around 280 leaders and boys from the Northern Region were transported to another galaxy arriving at Finlay Park Adventure Centre for a weekend packed full of surprises, including going into “team combat” with trophies up for the taking. In the God times boys had the opportunity to meet with the Creator of Heaven and Earth, learning He could make a big difference to their life on earth. It is with sadness though that one of our fathers and helpers from Mairangi Bay ICONZ, David Renn, passed away suddenly over the weekend. Our sympathy goes to his wife Teresa and the family, along with his fellow leaders.



### BBNZ EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS:

Nominations have now been received for **each of the four vacancies.**

**Nominees are: President:** Richard Harkness; **Northern Region:** Phil Yeaman; **Canterbury /Upper South:** Phil Mardon; **Lower South:** Stefan Grigg;

While there has only been one nomination for each region, voting papers containing a short bio of each nominee have been sent to all members. We would appreciate feedback on your support for the person nominated for your region to ensure we have a mandate for the formation of our Executive for 2017.

### 80 SECONDS RELAUNCH COMPETITION, 2017.

**Creative design is definitely not one of my skillsets!!** We are looking to relaunch “80 Seconds” in 2017 with a fresh new look. We are looking for a creative new design template that allows us to communicate effectively with our membership. **We have a \$50 voucher from a supplier of your choice for the winning design.** Sample designs should be e-mailed to [michael.good@bb.org.nz](mailto:michael.good@bb.org.nz).

#### PRAYER & PRAISE TIME: Please pray...

- Pray for all our leaders and helpers over the summer break that they will enjoy a time of rest and relaxation with family and friends.
- Pray for all our boys, that they will be kept safe and return to us after the holidays.
- For our Development Managers **Andrew Marquet** , **Leon Schoeman**, **ICONZ Director Stu Thompson** and **Executive Officer Richard Ooi** that they will enjoy time with family, have an opportunity for time out and return refreshed after the break.

**If you have special prayer requests, i.e. upcoming events/camps, let us know so we can pray.**

**IT’S WORTH THINKING ABOUT: Luke 2 v 10-11:** “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord”

**Michael Good - National Director**

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