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# REGIONAL MEN'S CAMPS

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**Eighty men gathered at "En Hakkore" Camp in Central Otago for a mighty weekend of God's blessings and power.**

Thanks and praise to our God and Father for another great weekend. Collin Harrex and his team of Max, Martin and Murray led us powerfully in music as we sang our hearts out to the Lord.

I had a real connection with Duncan Graham, our guest speaker. I can't remember the number of times the Holy Spirit turned up as we spoke over the weekend and in the car. I have to be careful in the car, as when the anointing turns up my foot likes to press heavier on the accelerator.

The Holy Spirit, I believe, indicated a lot of cleaning up would occur over the weekend and I believe that happened. Around eighty men attended and were encouraged to let the Holy Spirit do his work on us over the weekend.

Ken Webb started the ball rolling, sharing part of his story on Friday evening and Duncan built on it over the weekend, with the highlight for me being Saturday night's message on knowing the Father and move of His love, touching many of the men. I personally experienced the Father in a more special way. My experience of a father as I grew up was more of a stern faced father with a set of rules and a stick if you got things wrong. As Duncan shared, bring the lie to the cross and leave it there, then starve the lie and feed the truth.

It was great to have the National Board with us over the weekend. The Lord put on a great show on Sunday morning, with a good fall of snow, meaning we kept on time just in case the road conditions closed in.

Where else for ninety-five dollars can you get such wonderful fellowship, spiritual nourishment, physical nourishment and go home encouraged and built up?

Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

As a result of the National Board's session on the gifts of the Holy Spirit a group of men responded to the invitation to receive the gift of tongues. About six of the ten prayed for received this wonderful gift and spoke in tongues for the first time.

*Mike Bunt - Regional Director  
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**The Waikato/Bay of Plenty Regional Camp was held at Pirongia Forest Park Lodge on the weekend of 15-17 April'11**

What an awesome time of fellowship and we certainly received a fresh anointing. We had the privilege of men from Auckland and ex R/D of Bay of Plenty, Adriaan Blom, from Australia. There were 40+ who attended the weekend, some for Saturday only.

An extract written by the Te Awamutu Chapter President Laurence Rea in the May newsletter sums it up beautifully. The theme for the seminar was "*Fresh Anointing*" and that to me is like the wind. It cannot be seen but its presence can be felt. While we cannot physically see the Holy Spirit we are often aware of His presence. We need a fresh anointing of Holy Spirit power to fall upon us.

Friday night, a time of worship and praise, prayer and waiting on the Holy Spirit, was led by the music team leader Geoff Winter. We could not see the Holy Spirit, but we sure felt His presence through the ministry time.

Both mornings were well spent in prayer time getting each day and ourselves ready for learning and ministry in the power of the Holy Spirit. We had a time of sharing a few short testimonies. A good learning platform and source of encouragement.

Guest speaker Gary Veale spoke about clinging tight to the Word, keeping our eyes focused on God and being determined to step out to reach the wonderful goal, Jesus Christ. Heb. 1:7 "*He makes His angels winds, His servants flames of fire*"

We are the servants, the men of fire, carrying the flame of fire. We must not take our eyes off Jesus for we are sure to fail or "burn out". Keeping our eyes on Jesus we will "burn on".

Sunday we had a brilliant time of teaching during communion, (taken by Johan Pretorius) increasing our understanding. It was an awesome weekend.

Excellent meals were provided by Tessa Curmi and her daughters, Rebecca and Madilym. (Most important to be "FED UP")

Roll on April Camp 2012.

*Owen Johnson - Regional Director  
Waikato/Bay of Plenty*

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