

WELCOME

Welcome to Freedom!
We are honoured that you have chosen to
make Freedom Centre your home.



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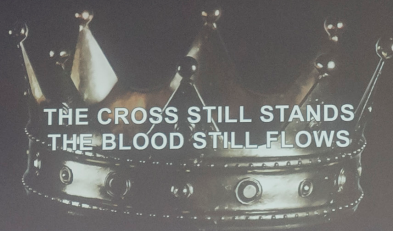
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Welcome to Freedom

Freedom Centre New Zealand was established in 2012, out of the Freedom Centre Melbourne location. It began as a gathering in a small room at the Tauranga Racecourse.

In 2013, Adem and Grace came to New Zealand from Melbourne, Australia originally to start a ministry school at the small church plant, by the end of the year they were appointed the pastors of Freedom Centre Tauranga and have witnessed the church go from strength to strength. The church has not only grown in numbers, but also in testimonies of God's transformational power. Freedom Centre is unapologetically a presence driven church where people encounter God.





Freedom Centre has in person gatherings in Tauranga and Christchurch, as well as Freedom Local in Rotorua where people gather to watch the service. We also have many who join us online every Sunday. With an increasing number of Small Groups and our thriving Freedom School of Ministry we are seeing God do incredible things across Freedom Centre. All of this is built on our vision - Encounter, Equip, Release.

Freedom Centre NZ is part of the Freedom Ministries International family - a global network of churches, schools, hospitals, clinics, and Bible colleges across Australia, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, the Solomon Islands, and Rwanda.

At Freedom Centre, our heart is to see people across New Zealand and the nations encounter the living God, equipped to walk in His truth and power, and released to bringing freedom and breakthrough wherever they go. We believe revival is not just coming - it's here, and we are honoured to play our part in what God is doing in this nation.



Our Vision

Encounter

We believe everyone from every generation should encounter Jesus. We need the presence of the Lord that brings us into life changing transformation. When we meet with Him our lives are changed in a supernatural undeniable way. As a church we facilitate public encounters with Jesus, while also encouraging everyone into daily personal encounters with Him.

Equip

We want everyone in the church to be equipped with the knowledge of Christ and the work of the ministry. We not only want to teach and grow your relationship with Jesus, we want to help you be equipped and raised up into all God has created you to be.

Release

Our heart and greatest passion is to bring people in a place of encounter, equip them for the work of the ministry and release them to serve God. Being released might look like serving on a team, building business, ministering in your workplace, church planting or even raising a family. We have all been created with God-given purpose and we want to champion each person at Freedom Centre to step into theirs!

Our Values

Presence: Our Pursuit

All that matters is that He shows up. From our worship to our service we do it with His presence in mind. When God is in the room, all kinds of life change happens.

Family: Our Function

The kingdom of God is not a business, it is a family of sons and daughters living in relationship with their heavenly Father. The Church is a covenant family.

Discipleship: Our Mandate

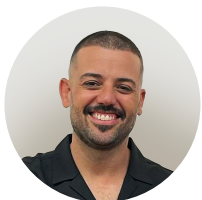
Every believer is called to make disciples. It may look different for everyone, but one thing remains, we want real relationships that create real disciples who then go and make more disciples.



Governance

At Freedom Centre, we believe that healthy governance is essential for a healthy church. We are committed to godly oversight that is grounded in Scripture, led by prayer, and accountable to one another. Our governance structure is designed to safeguard integrity, ensure wise stewardship of resources, and keep the mission of Jesus at the centre of all we do. Through transparency, accountability, and Spirit-led discernment, we seek to honour God and faithfully serve His people.

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Next Steps

We are so glad you've made Freedom Centre home, here is how you become a contributing member.

1. Pray

2. Join the Dream Team

3. Join a Small Group

4. Give



1. Pray

Mark 11:24 - Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

There is so much power in praying for your church! Pray for everyone who calls Freedom Centre home. Pray for our leaders, pastors and the teams who build the kingdom. Pray for our ministry school, our next gen: kids, intermediates, youth and young adults. Pray for other locations and our online community. Pray for revival, miracles, for provision and for God to continue to move amongst us! Let us continue to be a praying church.



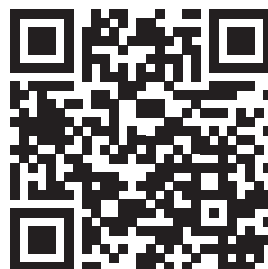
2. Join the Dream Team

Church is not for spectators, it is a place where you are invited to get involved!

Whether you are a 5 year old child, a 65 year old grandmother, a student, or a business leader with significant responsibilities, we want to invite you to be a part of building the kingdom of God with us.

We believe God has put gifts and skills in your hand that can be used to serve Him and serve others!

Scan the QR Code to join the Dream Team.



Sunday Teams

A Team

The A Team steward the house of God with care and excellence. Every space prepared and every detail managed creates room for people to encounter Him. The team carries the responsibility, both practically and spiritually, of maintaining an environment where God is honoured and people feel at home. They make the invisible visible.

Carpark

The Carpark Team is the first impression of Freedom Centre, a smiling, visible welcome that tells every person, “You belong here.” Their attentiveness, clarity, and kindness turn asphalt into an atmosphere of expectation. Long before people step into worship, they help people feel the welcoming presence of the Father.

Intermediates

The Intermediates Team creates a space where young people (Yrs 7 & 8) can belong, grow, and explore their faith in a way that’s real and relevant to them. By building connection, fun, and meaningful conversations, they help bridge the gap between childhood and youth, guiding them toward a personal and lasting relationship with God.

Kids

The Kids Team is raising a generation of world-changers. Through worship, teaching, games, and small groups, they create a safe and engaging environment where children can encounter God, build friendships, and grow in their faith. Their consistency, care, and energy help lay foundations that will shape lives for years to come.

Café

The Café Team creates a space of genuine hospitality where quality speaks and generosity flows. Through excellent coffee and food, they serve people with care while helping raise funds that make a difference beyond the walls. Every cup and every interaction reflects the heart to serve with excellence and impact lives.

Connect

The Connect Team bridges the gap between attending and belonging. Their role makes it easy for people to take their next step to be seen, known, and included. Every smile, every connect bag, every conversation opens a door for someone's spiritual journey to grow roots.

New Believers

The New Believers Team is the first touchpoint of discipleship. They help people take their very first step in faith with confidence and clarity. Every Bible handed out, every prayer prayed, and every baptism overseen marks eternity. They help new believers take their next steps of following Jesus with clarity and purpose.

Live Stream

The Live Stream Team helps take the message beyond the room, capturing not just images but encounters. Through both visuals and audio, their attention to detail and creativity extend the reach of the gospel into the nation and beyond. Every frame, every sound, and every moment they carry is a chance for someone to meet Jesus online.

Sunday Teams

Prayer

The Prayer Team helps create the atmosphere of Heaven on earth. Their prayers open hearts, break chains, and stir faith. They stand on holy ground, partnering with God in what He's doing in real time. They are the heartbeat of every service.

Photography & Videography

The Photography & Videography Team captures the moments that tell the story of what God is doing in the house. Through photo and video, they highlight life, faith, and community in a way that reaches beyond the room. Their creativity and awareness help share the heart of the church across social media, the website, and in-service media, so more people can see, connect, and be impacted.

Production

The Production Team creates the environment where excellence meets encounter. From sound to screens, lights to livestream, their work makes the message clear and the worship powerful. Every cable connected and every mix adjusted helps people hear, see, and feel the presence of God without distraction. They help turn technical precision into spiritual impact.

Welcome

The Welcome Team embodies the heart of hospitality. Every handshake and hello is a declaration that everyone matters. They set the tone for what's possible in people's hearts before worship even begins. They don't just greet people, they welcome them home.

Worship

The Worship Team stewards the presence of God through their gifts, creating an environment where people can encounter Jesus in a real and fresh way each week. What flows from the stage is an overflow of their own personal relationship with Him. Through skill, unity, and sensitivity to the Spirit, they lead with excellence and authenticity, helping draw hearts into worship and connection with God.

Mid-Week Teams

Design & Communications

Join us in telling the story in a creative way, of how Jesus is working in and through our house. There are many ways this is done - in our designs, emails, social media and more.

Events

Help prepare spaces during for moments of encounter and equipping. From special events to big celebrations, this team creates spaces where people can encounter, equip and be released

Small Groups

Small Groups are fortnightly gatherings of people from our house for the purpose of studying the word, Sunday messages and doing life together. Leading a group is primarily about hosting and facilitating conversations.

Young Adults

Walk alongside the 18-30 year olds of our house. We gather together fortnightly in large and small group settings.

Youth

Invest in the next generation (year 9-13) with us as we meet weekly for worship, teaching, games and more.



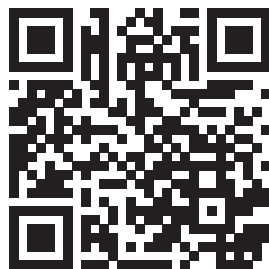


3. Join a Small Group

Acts 2:46 - Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts.

Small Groups are where we get disciplined, make real connections and do life together.

We are not a church **with** small groups, we are a church **of** small groups. Small groups and our amazing small group leaders facilitate the primary aspect of pastoral care and discipleship here at Freedom Centre. These groups allow us to be a deeply connected family of believers never living life alone, but knowing that we are better together. Small groups create space for spiritual growth, relationships and shepherding. They are essential to what we do and we are blessed and grateful to have so many incredible small group leaders and amazing small groups.



4. Start Giving

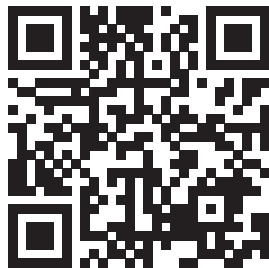
At Freedom Centre, we believe in the principle of tithing.

We recognize that giving 10% of our income is the biblical standard for giving, and we practice tithing for the support of Christ's body, the Church, as God commands.

"Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this,' says the LORD Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.'" Malachi 3:10 NIV

Giving is one of the central themes in the Bible. Jesus talked more about this subject than Heaven, hell, or prayer. To understand what it means to be a follower of Jesus, we must also understand what it means to be a giver.



i. Tithe

The tithe, or “first fruits,” of our labour/income belong to God. We find this principle all through God’s Word. Tithing, giving God the first 10% of our income to the local church, is the primary practical way we acknowledge that God is first in our lives (Proverbs 3:9-10). For example if you get paid \$1,500 per week, tithing would be giving \$150 to the Lord.

ii. Offerings

An offering is giving over and above the tithe. The Bible says that by giving generously, we are able to “take hold of the life that is truly life” (1 Timothy 6:18-19 NIV).

iii. The Gift of Giving

The gift of giving is a spiritual gift that God gives to some people (Romans 12:8). It is a Spirit-given capacity and desire to serve God by giving of your material resources, above and beyond the tithe, to further the work of God. Those who want to use their gift of giving to help accelerate the vision of Freedom Centre serve as part of Vision Builders. Many people love to give to God and want to feel confident in the organisation through which they give.

At Freedom Centre, we want people to understand they are giving to God through the church, not to the church. As we openly share the honesty, integrity, and spiritual values that guide the financial practices of Freedom, we believe people can focus on what God is calling them to give and trust that He is leading our church to steward it well.

The giving of tithes and offerings is worship to Jesus. Giving is not considered a business transaction but an act of worship and an expression of gratitude to God.

