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DEACONESSES, DEACONS, AND ELDERS CONVENTION
AUCKLAND: SABBATH | 18 MAY 2024 | PAPSDA
CHRISTCHURCH: SUNDAY | 19 MAY 2024 | PASCOE PARK



New Zealand

Welcome to



**DEACONESSES, DEACONS, AND
ELDERS CONVENTION**

We are so glad you're here. Make yourself comfortable. Let us know if there is anything we can do for you.

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ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Dr. Anthony Kent is the Associate Ministerial Secretary at the General Conference. Anthony's vast ministry experience includes pastoring local churches, church planting, evangelism, and training development.

As a worldwide coordinator for continuing education, Anthony specializes in providing training and professional growth opportunities for pastors and ministry leaders. He hosts *Ministry in Motion*, a weekly series featuring conversations with seasoned leaders and progressive thinkers that explore best practices in ministry.

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WE ALWAYS THANK GOD FOR ALL OF YOU AND
CONTINUALLY MENTION YOU IN OUR **PRAYERS**.

WE REMEMBER BEFORE OUR GOD AND FATHER
YOUR WORK PRODUCED BY **FAITH**, YOUR LABOR
PROMPTED BY **LOVE**, AND YOUR

ENDURANCE INSPIRED BY **HOPE**

IN OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

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1 THESSALONIANS 1:2-3



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PAPATOETOE SDA CHURCH, AUCKLAND
SABBATH, 18 MAY 2024

2:30 PM | Network and Connect

3:00 PM | Welcome and Prayer

3:10 PM | Outline of the Program

3:15 PM | **Plenary 1**

3:45 PM | Questions and Answers

4:00 PM | **Plenary 2**

4:30 PM | Questions and Answers

4:45 PM | **Labs**

Deaconesses - Eddie Tupa'i

Deacons - Adrian Webster

Elders - Victor Kulakov

5:30 PM | **Plenary 3**

6:00 PM | Questions and Answers

6:15 PM | Closing Words and Thanks

EQUIP INFORMATION AND RESOURCES WEBSITE



For information on Equip, recorded sessions, and resources, scan the QR code or visit disciple.org.nz/equip

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- Discover Your Shape for Ministry
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DEACONESSES EQUIP LAB

Please tick **ONE** box below and share the name of your church.

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- ☐ **EQUIP Auckland** from _____ Church
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SECTION 1

On a scale from 1 (Weak) to 5 (Strong), how gifted do you believe you are in the different aspects of DEACONESSES ministry listed below?

	1	2	3	4	5
	Weak				Strong
Visiting the sick					
Visiting the discouraged					
Visiting the grieving					
Giving Bible studies					
Preparing for communion					
Serving for the communion					
Cleaning the church					
Supporting Sabbath services E.g., welcoming, flowers...					
Leading Sabbath services E.g., Sabbath School teaching, Divine Service					
Other:					

SECTION 2

In which aspects of your DEACONESSES ministry would you like to receive support and/or training?

Tick as many boxes below that reflect your response:

- ☐ Visiting the sick
- ☐ Visiting the discouraged
- ☐ Visiting the grieving
- ☐ Giving Bible studies
- ☐ Preparing the church for Sabbath
- ☐ Cleaning the Church
- ☐ Preparing the Communion Service
- ☐ Serving for the Communion Service

☐ Others: _____

SECTION 3

Do you have any questions? Please write your question/s below. If possible, your question will be answered today in the closing session. If not, we will send you a response by email.

Please share:

Your Name: _____

Your Email: _____

Your Question/s:



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DEACONS EQUIP LAB

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- ☐ **EQUIP Christchurch** from _____ Church

SECTION 1

On a scale from 1 (Weak) to 5 (Strong), how gifted do you believe you are in the different aspects of DEACONS ministry listed below?

	1	2	3	4	5
	Weak				Strong
Visiting the sick					
Visiting the discouraged					
Visiting the grieving					
Giving Bible studies					
Preparing for communion					
Serving for the communion					
Cleaning the church					
Supporting Sabbath services E.g., car park, welcoming, offering...					
Leading Sabbath services E.g., Sabbath School teaching, Divine Service					
Other:					

SECTION 2

In which aspects of your DEACONS ministry would you like to receive support and/or training?

Tick as many boxes below that reflect your response:

- ☐ Visiting the sick
- ☐ Visiting the discouraged
- ☐ Visiting the grieving
- ☐ Giving Bible studies
- ☐ Preparing the church for Sabbath
- ☐ Cleaning the Church
- ☐ Preparing the Communion Service
- ☐ Serving for the Communion Service

☐ Others: _____

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ELDERS EQUIP LAB

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I attended:

- ☐ **EQUIP Auckland** from _____ Church
- ☐ **EQUIP Christchurch** from _____ Church

SECTION 1

On a scale from 1 (Weak) to 5 (Strong), how gifted do you believe you are in the different aspects of ELDERS ministry listed below?

	1	2	3	4	5
	Weak				Strong
Visiting the sick					
Visiting the discouraged					
Visiting the grieving					
Giving Bible studies					
Leading Ministry teams					
Serving communion					
Preaching					
Pastoral counselling					
Leading Divine Service					
Teaching Sabbath School					
Chairing committees					
Other					

SECTION 2

In which aspects of your ELDERS ministry would you like to receive support and/or training?

Tick as many boxes below that reflect your response:

- ☐ Visiting the sick
- ☐ Visiting the discouraged
- ☐ Visiting the grieving
- ☐ Giving Bible studies
- ☐ Leading Ministry Teams
- ☐ Leading Divine Service
- ☐ Preaching
- ☐ Conduct Communion Service

☐ Others: _____

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Applying Your
Abilities



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Your
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