



PALMERSTON NORTH

This year our WAY2GO children's ministry conferences will explore how we can help children and families experience God's Good News transforming their lives and that of their communites, bringing hope for the future.

Registrations are open now. Choose from a range of workshops, please choose one workshop from each session.

(Three workshops in total).

WAY2GO 2024 Schedule

9am

9.30 am

10.30 am

11 - 11.55 am

12.05 - 1 pm

1 - 2 pm

2 - 2.55 pm

3 - 4 pm

Doors open

All Together Session 1

Morning Tea

Workshop A

Workshop B

Lunch (provided)

Workshop C

All Together Session 2

Workshop options for PALMESTON NORTH

WORKSHOP A

11 - 11.55am

HOOK INTO THE BOOK

[Led by Victoria Kitchen]

The Bible is an exciting but challenging book! Explore creative and innovative ways to bring the Bible to life, and encourage children to encounter God. This workshop is part of our Children's Ministry Certificate. Click here to read more.

DISCOVERING JESUS

[Led by Annette Osborne]

We want to see children encountering God in life changing ways! Let's explore the question, 'What does evangelism look like in 2024? Discover healthy ways to support children to discover Jesus and be transformed by him.

FAITH AT HOME

[Led by Andrea Lukin]

Delve into the significance of faith in homes and the vital role of intergenerational connections. Our workshop explores fostering spiritual bonds for lasting family strength and harmony

WORKSHOP B

12.05 - 1.00 pm

BEING OUR BEST

[Led by Annette Osborne]

Explore ways to encourage positive behaviour in our programmes. This workshop will provide practical ideas and strategies for working with children, particularly those who may struggle in structured or learning environments. This workshop is part of our Children's Ministry Certificate. Click here to read more.

CREATING SESSIONS FOR YOUR CONTEXT

[Led by Leanne Brown]

Learn how to put together a 30 minute interactive programme with a simple structure for a wide variety of ages from scratch. An interactive session where you'll be designing sessions in small groups and sharing them with each other.

SUSTAINABLE CRAFTS

[Led by Liz Eichler]

Experience ways to use recycled materials and "found" objects to help illustrate Bible stories, and foster connections with God and each other.

WORKSHOP C

2 - 2.55 pm

FAITH FORMATION

[Led by Andrea Lukin]

Learn what to expect from children of different ages and stages of development and how to meet them where they are. This workshop is part of our Children's Ministry Certificate. Click here to read more.

KNOWING GOD

[Led by Liz Eichler]

This workshop will explore four ways that children connect with God and grow in their faith. Based on David Csinos work around Spiritual Styles.

GAMES WITH PURPOSE

[Led by Molly Sheridan]

Activity Based Learning is a great way to increase participation and engagement while also having fun! These games allow rangatahi and tamariki to come out of their shells and work together as a team, while also discussing and demonstrating biblical values

Our workshop presenters for Palmerston North



Liz Eichler

Liz works for Scripture Union as the Children and Families Team Leader. She thinks a lot about family- based faith formation and what intergenerational church could look like. In her 'spare' time, she tries to swim, walk and knit, though not all at once! She also likes to recycle to the 'nth' degree.



Leanne Brown

Leanne has been the Children and Families Pastor at Crossroads Church in Palmerston North for 11 years. She leads their vibrant Mainly music, the Sunday children's programme and oversees the other Children's Ministries at Crossroads. Leanne and her husband Stephen have four older children.



Molly Sheridan

Kia Ora, I'm Molly and I am lucky enough to lead the Youth and Children's Team at The Salvation Army in Palmerston North. I've been working with youth and children for over 5 years and love seeing them journey with God and find their place in this world. Currently I'm doing my Masters in Sociology as well as further study to increase my skills as a youth and children's worker. This has shown me the growing need for people who are passionate about the next generation!



Andrea Lukin

Andrea is the SUNZ Children and Families Consultant for the Wellington area.

Prior to this was involved in pastoring local churches for 30 years. She is passionate about equipping parents to bring faith into their homes and helping families with discipleship. In her spare time she enjoys upcycling school desks and chairs, doing macrame and knitting socks, and making earrings from innertube tyres.



Annette Osborne

Annette has worked for Scripture Union since 2004. She is passionate about the place of the Bible in bringing transformation in the lives of children, young people and their families. She loves listening to the questions children ask and helping them to discover the answers for themselves. When she is not working, she can be found paddling her kayak to a secluded beach somewhere, with a thermos of tea.



Victoria Kitchen

Victoria is the Children and Families Pastor at Palmerston North Central Baptist Church. Before joining the team in June 2022, Victoria worked as a primary school teacher in a new entrant class. Victoria is married to Alex (a maths teacher) and they have three children – James, Esther and Reid.





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