

# NEW PLYMOUTH branch newsletter

## June - September 2010

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### From the Editor

In the world today there are many problems that we have to deal with, as individuals, collectively in our communities, and on a world level.

Understanding how those problems arise and how to solve them, is also the purpose of Theosophy and the Theosophical Society.

When we learn to genuinely understand the causes of our problems at an individual level, and how to change them into opportunities, we are also learning how to solve world problems.

The world problems are not different from our own problems.

Many efforts are now being made around the world to fix problems. Economic problems, environmental problems, health, education...to improve and enhance the wellbeing of all.

There is the old saying "united we stand, divided we fall."

When people are united for a single purpose, like genuinely creating a better world, even if only for our own individual life and family, great things can happen.

We all want happiness. We all want freedom from suffering. So there is immediately a common understanding amongst us all.

Through our studies of Theosophy, we learn some simple guidelines to help us on our way: To help others, and to not cause suffering to any living thing. These practices alone can make those great things happen.

A practice dedicated to the enlightenment of all beings:

*When you are happy,  
dedicate that happiness  
to all beings, so that  
happiness may pervade  
the sky. When you  
suffer, you are bearing  
the suffering of all  
beings. May the ocean  
of suffering become dry  
completely.*

# Programme for June - September 2010

HEALING GROUP at 7:30 before all members' meetings.

Date	Topic	Speaker	Venue	Time
<b>JUNE</b>				
Thursday 17 June	Do Obstacles Ever Disappear?	Members - Facilitated by Helen Pollock	Bryan and Helen Pollock 25 Belt Road New Plymouth	7:45 pm
<b>JULY</b>				
Thursday 1 July	Reincarnation - Faith, Proof, Relevance	Members	Bryan and Helen Pollock 25 Belt Road New Plymouth	7:45 pm
Thursday 15 July	Approach to Astrology	Members - Facilitated by Dawn Bowen	Bryan and Helen Pollock 25 Belt Road New Plymouth	7:45 pm
<b>AUGUST</b>				
MONDAY 9 August	Conscious Heart	Public Murray Stentiford	RNZ Foundation for the Blind Hall 131 Vivian St New Plymouth	7:30 pm
Thursday 19 August	Meditation DVD	Members - Facilitated by Bryan Pollock	Bryan and Helen Pollock 25 Belt Road New Plymouth	7:45 pm
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>				
Thursday 2 September	Practical Steps to Happiness- bring your ideas, practices, questions.	Members discus- sion - Facilitated by Jim Scrivener	Bryan and Helen Pollock 25 Belt Road New Plymouth	7:45 pm
Thursday 16 Thursday	AGM 6:00 pm Vegetarian Pot Luck 7:30 AGM	Members	Bryan and Helen Pollock 25 Belt Road New Plymouth	6:00 pm and 7:30 pm