



Kiwitracts

The Kiwi Tract Charitable Trust

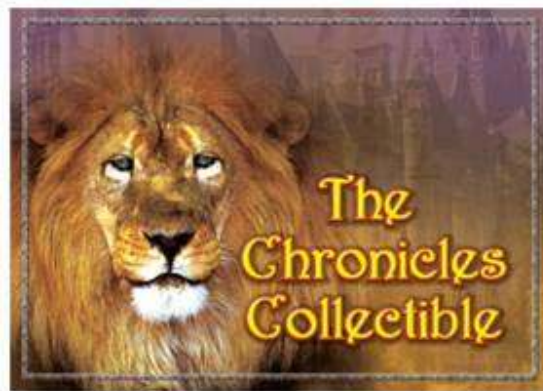
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After 4 years in operation it was great to finally make Kiwitracts an official charitable trust earlier this year. 'The Kiwi Tract Charitable Trust' now has a board of Trustees (Gordon Coombs, Integrity Trustees Limited (Roger Donnell), Shawn Eberly and Matthew Old) and exists primarily to spread the Gospel through proclamation and literature.

So far it's been a very busy year with numerous opportunities coming along and future projects in the pipeline. Here is a brief summary...

'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' outreach

Over 50,000 cards were printed for the movie 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. They were to help non-Christians attending the film make the connection between the story line of the movie and the Gospel message. The cards were very well received and over 50,000 were distributed. Orders came in from around NZ, Australia, USA and South Africa. We want to thank Radio Rhema for their promotion of the cards. It was a great success!



A new website is launched...

With many Kiwis now using the web to access information there is a great opportunity to use it for God's Kingdom. With this in mind we have set up a website (www.questionsoflife.com) to give Kiwi's an opportunity to find help in a wide variety of areas. In the next 12 months we hope to deal with many different issues from depression, suicide, addiction and sexuality to God, eternity, forgiveness and truth. For those enquirers who want to go further they will be able to link to the best on-line counselling services available in the country. The site is still only in its first phase (spiritual issues) but we hope to continue development in the next year.

'The Da Vinci code' outreach

It wasn't long after 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' had finished that Hollywood came out with 'The Da Vinci code'...a film based on the fictional book by Dan Brown. It was another opportunity to springboard onto the Gospel. This time we decided to use small business cards to get the message across. We had just set up the new website www.questionsoflife.com and so created a link to a very good Da Vinci code web page. Approximately 25,000 cards were printed and distributed throughout NZ and some to the USA. Many churches around NZ got behind this initiative and Matthew was invited to speak to Rob Holding on Radio Rhema to share what we are doing. Thanks again to Radio Rhema.



Here is some feedback (edited) that came in after a team from the Bible College of NZ gave out cards outside the cinema at Westgate...

Hi my name is Michala, I work at ... in Westgate. I was given a card and asked to kindly contact your organisation for feedback on this website. I am not a religious person myself but have an open mind to the world around me. I found the website very interesting and I will have to keep going back to get through all the reading. I have always asked myself; is god real? but most of all who is god? and why do so many people believe in his good will? I now have answers and a bit more knowledge of the Bible itself.

Thank you for the great read and wish you and all your team the best of wishes.

Open-air meetings

Over the last few months a team (average 3-4 people) have been going into town on Wednesday's and holding evangelistic meetings in Aotea Square. It has been a great challenge. The meetings always start with a number of questions on various topics from sport to entertainment and current events etc. As people shout out the correct answers they receive a small chocolate bar. After a while a transition is made from the questions to the Gospel...i.e. Please name this well known dead person...she was a nun...lived in India...helped the poor...won the Nobel Peace prize...etc... Eventually someone yells out 'Mother Teresa!'. Matt asks those listening if they think she was a good person...they answer yes...he then asks if they consider themselves to be 'good'...from there they are taken through 'The Good Test'...you can

see an example of this at www.needgod.com. After the Gospel message it's time for Q and A. The crowd call out their questions and Matt attempts to answer them.

A big thankyou to those who have helped out by praying, handing out tracts, offering words of encouragement, paying for parking and just offering support.



Open-air meeting in Aotea Square

One on one evangelism

One of the unique features of the Kiwittracts ministry is that the goal is to share the Gospel with someone, somewhere each and every day. This verbal proclamation (speaking out the core Gospel message...sin, righteousness, judgement, Jesus as Saviour and Lord) is on top of tract and card distribution...it involves going to someone and sharing the Gospel message with them.



Sharing with a couple at Northcote shops

Ministry Partners

We would like to thank those of you who are already supporting the work. It is our desire to use any finances wisely and in ways that will make the most impact for Gods Kingdom. Your generous support makes the above projects possible.

For those of you who are looking to partner with us we have the following needs...

- There is an ongoing need for support to keep the day to day ministry operating
- Funding for a full-time worker

How can you support Kiwittracts?

Please contact us by e-mail: kiwittracts@clear.net.nz or phone 021890030 to get an A/P form sent out. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

On behalf of the Kiwi Tract Charitable Trust

Blessings