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*“The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free”
Luke 4:18*

Welcome!

We are pleased to be sharing five new stories with you this month as we celebrate our 30th birthday!

Liberty Trust began on 1 July 1989 with 120 pioneers committed to contributing \$20 per week to build an interest-free storehouse for themselves and others.

What has happened in the 30 years since?



1 High Court case to establish that teaching Bible principles is charitable

5 books published teaching Biblical financial principles

100 Biblical Financial Seminars in and around NZ

110 newsletters with news, teaching & stories

250 testimonies praising God for the help of Liberty Trust

400 pages of teaching, videos & testimonies at www.libertytrust.nz

500 interest-free loans and mortgages

2,000 brochure stands in NZ church foyers

2,500 receiving our newsletters

\$18 million storehouse in continuous interest-free circulation & over

\$54 million lent interest-free!!

Speaking from Experience

Liberty Trust is in a unique position to teach the Bible's principles of finance, having experienced the blessing of following these principles and having passed on the blessing by lending over \$54 million interest-free to bless hundreds of people.

Rev 12:11 says: *“They overcame him by the word of their testimony.”*

Our testimonies and stories of literally applying the Bible's financial principles are opening the doors of peoples' hearts to listen to the teaching of those principles.

You may be surprised at the level of interest and respect that our website earns from Christians and non-Christians around the world.

As the High Court judge said in her decision which overturned the decision of the Charities Commission: *“These people are doers of the word, not hearers only.”* She was quoting James. 1:22

The story of Liberty Trust is a testimony that God's principles work.

The testimony of Liberty Trust is having a huge influence worldwide, far greater than we realise. What we see is only a mustard seed of what He will create from it.

Thanks for partnering with us of what is undoubtedly God's plan.

- Kelvin



Kelvin Deal has been chairman of Liberty Trust since its inception in 1989 and has recently announced his upcoming retirement.

We are extremely grateful for Kelvin's many years of expertise, passion and dedication as Trust chairman.

God's Wonderful Provision

We are blessed by the very generous gift of an interest free loan which was extended to us in June 2018.

Ps Bruce McDonald had introduced to us Liberty Trust and we started our contribution in Oct 2007. Through God's calling we departed NZ in 2009 to serve as missionaries in Fiji for 8 years.

We suspended our contributions as we were limited to our resources at the time on the mission field with 4 young children in tow.

We rented our home in Auckland which sustained us abroad and kept the mortgage payments going.

We have always kept in our hearts "When God sends he is always faithfully to provide" Ralph Mahoney (I Thessalonians 5:24).

We purely rely on God's provision and do not seek any support through donations/church/man.

Our source is Jesus and his miraculous provisions which we encounter many times. A knock on the door and food at the door step, sovereign protection of imminent crashes unscathed, blessed with abundance to bless others, list goes on and this miraculous provision by Liberty Trust of an interest free loan is a first for returning missionaries extended to us. We have learned to live in the now. God takes care of our tomorrow however He gives us wisdom and strength to plan and work.

It's been a year now since we had this interest free loan and it has significantly reduced our mortgage and we continue to rejoice in His blessing and always grateful to Liberty Trust for this interest free loan as we continue to serve wherever His call is.

Rohit & Venus Anand

27 May 2019



Supporting People's Homeownership Dreams

We had been aware of Liberty Trust for a number of years, and talked about joining, and finally at a Parachute Music festival nine years ago we made the decision to partner with Liberty Trust.

The principle of sowing into a ministry, and waiting for the rewards, meant that we were able to support other people and their homeownership dreams and eventually this year we received the great news that we would receive our interest-free loan.

I understand we were the \$50 million loan to be loaned out which is exciting. Over the next few years we look forward to not just repaying the loan but also seeing some capital growth from the decisions we will make with our investment.

We also recognise the value for future generations, so have some other investments ticking away so that we can explore further interest-free loans for family rather needs at a later date.

Craig Gudsell

6 June 2019





Free Indeed!

Ten years ago my wife and I were married. Like many young couples, we weren't starting out with much and did our best to save a deposit for a house. We also made the decision to begin paying into Liberty Trust having heard many good things about it.

Our young family started soon after so we purchased a small house. It was difficult to begin with, trying to pay the mortgage and continue the Liberty Trust donations, but we persevered taking solace in knowing that our donations were helping other families become debt free. It is disheartening seeing so much money going out for a mortgage and so little of it paying off the principle...so much interest!

Some years later it was our turn to reap what we had sown and we got our Liberty Trust loan. Seeing the money going out each month and knowing it is all paying off the principal is a great feeling.

Later in life we will look to start contributing for our two children so they can enjoy an interest-free loan when the time comes for them to purchase a house

We thank God for his provision of this house we live in and the means to pay for it.

We also thank him for the people at Liberty Trust who all those years ago followed God's prompting to start this movement and who continue this work to this day. We look forward to the day coming soon when we will be debt free!

John 8:36. "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed"

Jason

23 May 2019

A Biblical Game Plan & Strategy

We heard about Liberty Trust when a story was featured on the evening news. We did the research and realised very quickly that this was the opportunity we had been praying for.

At the time, we were living in Auckland, in a basement flat of our parents' home with our one-year old daughter.

To become home owners was the ultimate dream but was nowhere near a reality. So, in 2010, we signed up and started contributing to Liberty Trust.

Over the next 9 years, it was difficult to contribute to Liberty due to our financial situation of living pay cheque to pay cheque but we knew if we just continued to be faithful with the little, we had, that God would bless and honour our giving.

Knowing that we were helping others and hearing all the incredible testimonies from other families was a huge motivator and encouragement over the years.

In 2012, our eldest son was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). In 2013 we moved to New Plymouth which enabled us to purchase our own home. A year later, our second son was also diagnosed with ASD. Due to the challenges of raising two boys with special needs, we had no choice but to go to one income. So, despite being on one income and only by the grace of God, we continued to contribute to Liberty Trust fund. He continued to open doors and provide opportunities that allowed us to be faithful in our contributions.



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Our lives were changed forever when our boys were diagnosed and it became very important to us to prepare ahead for their future as well as their sisters who would most likely be their key caregivers when we are no longer around. Our goal is to own our home to leave for our children so the burden of a mortgage would not be one that they would have to carry.

Thank you, Liberty Trust, for implementing a biblical game plan and strategy for financial freedom. Our dream of being home owners has now become a reality, but to be mortgage free, well that is just next level!

We will continue to hold on tightly to the promise found in Romans 8:28 "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him and who have been called according to his purpose". Knowing in our hearts that God can make good of every circumstance and that our future will always be secure with Him.

Vi'ia le Ali'i! Malo Sisu!

Pat and Theresa Tongi

2 June 2019

God has a Great Plan & Purpose



Liberty Trust, we cannot thank you enough for helping us into our new church. Without your support we would not have been able to purchase this amazing 136-year-old historic building that has so much history in Oamaru.

A few years ago we were blessed with a Liberty Trust membership. The person was living overseas and felt to pass onto us what he started 6 years before. As a church, we carried on the weekly payments and now own and worship in one of the finest buildings in Oamaru.

God's plans are amazing and often He goes over and above what we ask. We rented as a church for our first nine years and had looked at many different buildings to purchase in this time.

We talked with different business owners, the council and banks to find a way to purchase our own building but no doors opened.

It wasn't until we started our journey with Liberty Trust that we could see that God had a plan; we just had to be obedient, faithful and patient. God was working on our behalf behind the scenes, and to purchase a building that was built for God and that will continue to be a place of worship, was His plan all along.

Dealing with Kerryanne and Evan from Liberty Trust was surprisingly easily, nothing was a problem and their communication with us every step of our journey was incredible.

After experiencing the support from Liberty Trust and catching the vision behind what you do, I would highly recommend your services to any church that is looking into the future and believing that God has a plan and a purpose for them.

Romans 8:28 (NIV)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Thanks again Liberty Trust and God bless.

Ps Damien Goodsir
House of Breakthrough Church
Oamaru

27 May 2019

