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Hi everyone. We have had a busy time this quarter giving interest free loans to five more households, in Hastings, Palmerston North, Whangaparoa and Tauranga.

Our accounts to 31 March have been finalised and audited and are available upon request.

We so appreciate receiving letters of testimony from our readers. Here are letters from Felicity and Tricia expressing their gratitude to you all for their interest-free loans and encouragement from Greg and Sheena Hollister Jones (over page) as they have recently repaid the last of their loan.

I am writing to extend my deepest and most sincere thanks to you and all of your loyal followers. I have recently been approved for a loan and I am slowly coming to grips with the reality of it all. This will undoubtedly have an ongoing effect on my 3 children and me for many years to come. It is quite overwhelming and honestly seems quite surreal.

There are many people I feel so grateful to: David & Susan Mitchell who introduced me to Liberty Trust, the family who have sponsored me in the last few years, plus all of the people at Liberty Trust who fit in the middle. All who have taken a part in me being able to secure a home for my children. Thank you all so very much.

Felicity Morgan

As you will know a civil emergency has been declared over the Eastern Bay of Plenty as many homes, farms and businesses are swamped or cut off by flood waters. For those that escaped the torrents life is relatively normal, aside from the water restrictions, closed schools and of course the helicopters and frequent earthquakes!

Times like this serve as a good reminder to all of us that all our possessions are ultimately temporary.

The things we see now are here today, gone tomorrow. But the things we can't see will last forever. 2 Cor 5:20, Msg

What I mean, brothers, is that the time is short. ... Those who use the things of the world [should live] as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away. 1 Cor 7:29a, 31, NIV

This world is not our home, we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives! We must store up for ourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust (and floods!) do not destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal (Mt 6:20, NIV). Our Heavenly Father knows our needs and how he loves to give good gifts to those who ask him! (Mt 7:11, NIV)



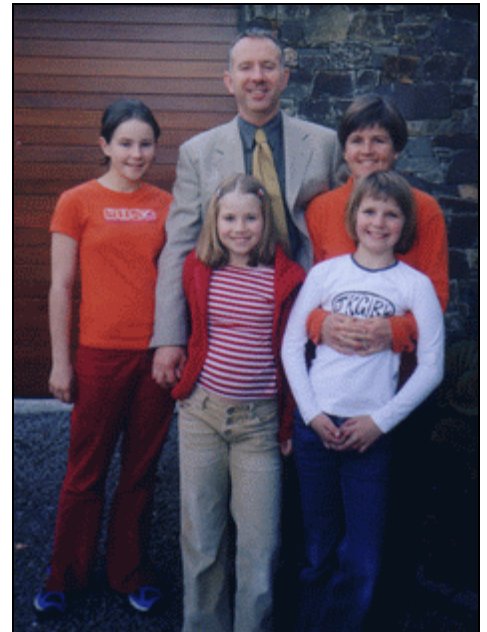
Felicity and her family

Sheena and I have been greatly blessed by our Liberty Trust loan. I can well remember our excitement when we won the first Tauranga ballot. That initial excitement was followed by a sense of responsibility that we should do our utmost to repay the loan so the money could be reused for others.

Since Tauranga merged with Whakatane and Ark Resources was established I have been impressed with how well run the organisation is. The staff have always been most helpful and approachable. The newsletters have also been helpful and encouraging. We are more than happy to give Ark Resources our unqualified endorsement.

With warm regards

Greg & Sheena Hollister-Jones



Pastor Tricia McDonald

How wonderful for me to be writing another testimony to God's faithfulness through Liberty Trust. In December 1989 I was granted Liberty Trust's first large loan. How exciting it was for me to be freehold on my property in just 6 years. I have since sold that home to settle in Opotiki where I have the privilege to be Pastor at Gateway Christian Fellowship.

Now Gateway Christian Fellowship has received an interest free loan to purchase a block of land on which we plan to build an auditorium. One of the foundation scriptures for our church has been Isaiah 62:10:

*Go through. Go through the gates!
Prepare the way for the people;
Build up, Build up the highway. Take out the stones.
Lift up a banner for the people. (NKJV)*

The granting of an interest free loan enables us to become established in our town. We have had to relocate our church services many times but with the purchase of this land we can look at 'removing that obstacle' and become settled in the land. 1 Peter 2:5:

You as living stones are being 'built up' into a spiritual house. (NKJV)

We living stones at Gateway Christian Fellowship are looking forward to having our own place of meeting.

Thank you Liberty Trust.
Your vision has helped our vision come to pass.



These ones braved the water to meet at Tricia's home last Sunday when their present building was cut off by flooding. Below is the site of their future church.

