

# A Leaf from the Ark

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Mark Langridge Info Services Manager Greetings. It is good to write to you on a warm Winters day anticipating the coming Spring.

We are pleased to include in this newsletter lovely testimonies from three families who have recently received interest free loans and more about John Bartley, our new Director.



## Be Debt Free Sooner

You are very welcome to repay your loan faster by increasing your automatic payment or sending us an extra payment. This will enable you to be debt free sooner and enable us to lend sooner to others.

#### Introducing John Bartley



We are very pleased to welcome John Bartley to our team of directors. John and Jeannie have recently returned from the UK to their Whakatane home. John writes "Throughout the seven and a half years we were away I never lost the passion to see people liberated into blessing through being "Kingdom Livers".

John was a foundation trustee of Liberty Trust and has been a banker, an 'in-house' accountant for a local major building company and a land developer, and is presently working for a local chartered accountant. His wife, Jeannie, has been an adult literacy/ numeracy tutor, and has had a retail fabric shop. Together, they have ministered amongst youth, marriages at risk, have been involved in ethnic ministries, managed the local Christian bookshop, as well as having served as elders in their church. They have three children, two of whom are married and have given them five gorgeous grandchildren.

John & Jeannie worship at Ohope Christian Fellowship. Together, their passion is that we all will **seek** <u>first</u> **God's kingdom** and **His** way of doing things, that we might enter into all that He has available for us – for **God is an abundant and extravagant giver.** 

### Ordained by God

It's been great to receive our loan through Liberty Trust and it feels really freeing to be out of the bank system.

We would like to thank everyone involved with Liberty Trust for their years of work and dedication.

Tony and I joined in our early 20's and sometimes found it tricky to keep up the contributions but we are now so glad we did. The timing of receiving our loan was a stark reminder of how intricately involved God is in all areas of our lives.

Because of our circumstances that could only be ordained by God, our mortgage was brought down to a level where we could refinance with Ark Resources. And this happened only a few weeks after being offered the loan. Praise God, He has a plan for us all, we only have to trust Him.

Tony & Jula Hallberg



Josh (7) & Jamie (3) with their parents Jula and Tony who have recently been blessed with a wee baby girl named Charlotte.

#### Out of the Bus...

I started contributing to Liberty Trust because I believe in God's way not the world's way - people working together helping each other to get out of debt and into their own home. Not only with debt but all aspects of life. When I started with Liberty Trust I was solo and living in a bus and now I am married to Jill and blessed with two great children, Sarah 3 ½ and Eric 10 months.

We have had an opportunity to build a new house in Tauranga. It was a lot of hard work for Jill and I, and having Eric just after starting building made life interesting.

Now we are enjoying a warm and comfortable home with plenty of space inside and out. Still lots to do but we will get there with God's help.

Ark Resources and Evan Harvey the loans officer are great to work with and have made this all possible.

We are looking forward to paying the loan back to bless others and enjoy time with my family, not working for the bank. Thank you all,

Wayne & Jill Ogle



Jill & Wayne with Eric (10m) and Sarah (3½y)

I am confident of this, that He who has begun a good work (in you) will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:6 (NIV)

Kia Ora to all those reading. Our names are Graham and Christine Gerrard and we live in Opotiki, which is twenty minutes east of Whakatane. It's a lovely town to live in and we have our own business here, in building and construction and rental property management. We have six beautiful children between us and we have been married for two years.

How did we hear about Liberty Trust?

My parents and sister have been members of Liberty Trust since it first started so I already knew about how things operated. Both my parents Terry & Pat Grimes, and my sister Louise and her family have benefited from getting loans through Ark Resources and have been blessed.

Liberty Trust came to the church we attend in Opotiki to do a talk about the Trust and how people's burdens of mortgages can be lifted and also how you can bless other people, sowing and reaping and giving to others, so they in turn can do the same. After this presentation at the church, we decided as a couple to join, and I challenged others in the church to do the same, as I had seen the blessings my family had received.



We had the opportunity to purchase Graham's family home as an investment. With a loan from Ark Resources we were able to accomplish this, which saved the family home from being sold outside of the family.



I encourage all those who read this that joining Liberty is not just to help yourself, but to help your family and other brothers and sisters in Christ to be set free from the burdens of financial difficulties with mortgages.

May the Lord Bless you all as you walk in His grace and mercy.

Graham and Christine Gerrard

