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WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY 1st May 2011			
9.30am	Mornington	S Pole	
9.30 am	Mosgiel	G Hughson	
11.00 am	Glenaven	S Pole	
11.00 am	Wesley	G Hughson	
1.00pm	St Kilda	Comb. Wesley	
6.00pm	Broad Bay	G Hughson	

OPEN EDUCATION IN A QUIET GARDEN

Through April, our Open Education programme in association with the Rev Robyn Kerr offers a time for quiet reflection in Robyn's Harbour Haven Quiet Garden at 117 Doon Street, Waverley.

Open on Thursdays from 9.30-5.00pm or by arrangement (phone 454 3244). A terraced garden with a harbour view,

places to sit, a conservatory and a room for rest. If you would like prayer, a meditation or a leading into silence and reflection just ask when you ring.

Drinks available through the day; a donation of \$5 is suggested (lunch is extra). If transport is a problem ring Colin Gibson (453 6662). Harbour Haven is affiliated with the international Quiet Garden Movement, its website is www.quietgarden.co.uk

HOME GROUP BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday 26th April at 7,30 pm at the home of lan & Dot Pearce. The Final study on "Learning to walk by Faith" based on the stories of Ruth and Hannah. Tel. lan 453 6312 or Geoff 473 0193.

COMBINED DUNEDIN CHURCHES RESURRECTION SERVICE

7pm Sunday 1st May, The Dunedin Town Hall.

Over the last three years, Churches in Dunedin have been coming together on the first Sunday evening after Easter to worship and celebrate the risen Lord Jesus. Our desire is to produce a service where as many as possible in Dunedin churches come together to celebrate our risen Lord Jesus.

Our goal in putting this service together is to create a service which seeks to connect with as many different church traditions and age groupings as possible. We are working hard at doing this. A range of different churches are already involved in a combined churches worship team, and also a combined churches children's choir is planned.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS FORUM

The next meeting of the Dunedin Methodist PQF will be 7pm Monday 2 May at the Middleton Road Community Centre. Come in through the main carpark entrance (on Middleton Road). Bring your favourite Social Justice "hobby-horse" and some nibbles to share!

MOSGIEL MID WEEK SERVICES

Starting again on Wednesday 11th May at 2pm. Followed by afternoon tea. Enquiries to Elaine 489 7663.

WITH ONE VOICE

If anyone has any spare copies of the Hymnbook – With One Voice please contact Claire McLeod – 4876 201.

Servants Health Centre Manager Vacancy

Servant's Health Centre has the aim of providing affordable, accessible care, and serving especially those most in need. We are a community of God's people, working as servants together to demonstrate his love.

The centre is looking for a manager to take a leading role in the running of the centre.

We need a person who has the skills and experience to administer and coordinate our voluntary Christian medical practice

This position requires being at the centre for a substantial part of the week and therefore an income is offered. It will be important to be able to whole heartedly participate in the mission of Servant's Health Centre.

Our aim is to show God's love through our caring, under Jesus' direction. If you are interested check out www.shc.org.nz or phone (03) 477 7040 for further information.



Didem Yaman, d. 22 Feb. 2011, Christchurch, NZ.

The following is an address I delivered at the memorial occasion held for the memory of Didem at the University of Otago on Friday 25 March 2011. Her life and death impacted greatly on her family and friends, in Turkey and here in Otago. As much of my work has to do with memory and loss, I felt that with the conjunction of Easter and Anzac Day that it might be acceptable to offer you this piece which reflects on the passing of a young friend.

My name is George Davis and I had the privilege to be a postgraduate friend of Didem. I first met Didem in June 2007 immediately following a research trip to Çanakkale. Her supervisor, Professor Ahmet Mete Tunçoku asked me to contact her as she was so far away, in a foreign country. From the first we found a meeting of minds in that our topics for research were interwoven. Her studies which involved aspects of political relations between Turkey, Australia and New Zealand paralleled much of my Anzac Day study. In this issue as a commemorations' historian I find

myself in a sad and unique situation, honouring the life of a friend. Didem was an intelligent and enquiring postgraduate student who represented her home institution, Onşekiz Mart University very well. She was courteous and helpful at all times, gently correcting this old man in his pronunciation of Turkish language or again when clarifying political groupings in her country.

Most of our meetings happened in the university context, however, Didem was keen to meet Judith, my wife, and the two of them quickly found common ground. She always enquired after Judith whenever we met. In that matter her generosity of spirit and readiness to be helpful reflected the best of the hospitality we have been shown in Çanakkale. Like many in her country, she was open — if she liked you she said so. This disarming frankness often surprises Kiwis, and we could learn a great deal from it.

To her family – your loss is irretrievable. What she has left however in her short span of life is delightful memories that never will fade. To Father Izzet, do not be bowed down with grief – your daughter achieved much and reflected most positively her upbringing. To Sister Cigdem, you were mentioned often and were always in Didem's thoughts. Take her memory forward proudly. I cannot think that a university could have had a better ambassador. To my academic colleague, Professor Tunçoku – Didem had great respect for you, and it was on your initiative we met. To her friends, here in Dunedin, and those at home in Çanakkale, live well in the fresh memories of your friend. Speak kindly of her, for she was generous and brave.

We have all lost with the sudden death of Didem. However, over time, we will realise the profound and positive influence she had on us. She was lively, compassionate and intelligent, and instantly recognisable with her shock of intensely red curly hair. She was the daughter and friend we would have all been proud to know. Say her name - remember Didem.

Teşekkűr ederim. Thank you. George Davis