

Chapter 1 : Footprints Of Hope Sermon by Todd Stiles, Matthew - www.nxgvision.com

About Us Letter from Mayor Articles: Cross T Ranch. It is our hope that you will find this experience refreshing and encouraging as we work with our horses to bring out the very best in each of you.

We woke up knowing that this morning we would sail to Stewart Island and complete our epic journey. We drove to Bluff and caught the 9: Awesome boat ride across the Strait in near perfect conditions. We found a glorious spot where the ocean was below us and punga trees encircled the most special final moment of our journey together across our land. Stewart Island has this amazing light over itâ€¦. The islands boast the largest salmon and shellfish farms in the country that employ many of the or so residents. It is another paradise, unique and idyllic. It was the end of our ninety days of walking and each of us was aware of the enormity of having completed what we set out to do three months ago, both collectively and as individuals on our own unique pilgrimage. It was then time to catch the ferry back to the mainland and it was a rougher crossingâ€¦. Game over, as Timskez would say! Janice and Des put us up a fourth nightâ€¦â€¦YES they have survived four nights with the hope walkers and we all absolutely loved our stay with our new friends and being in one place for four whole days was bliss!! Alex had the chance to spend one more night with extended family in Invercargill and tomorrow is our final day together before we catch the plane home on Christmas Day and Rex drives the truck back to Wellie with his sons on board for a family holiday en route. You will now have to wait until Boxing day when I have another chance to complete the blog that has somehow been created, often written in haste at kitchen tables or at midnight before managing some sleepâ€¦. Happy Christmas and thank you for walking beside us on the road through your encouragement on the guest page and your prayer being the difference for each of us! We will pause here to thank the New Zealand Real Journeys company hugely for the gift of free passage for four of us across Foveaux Strait. WOW We organized to catch the early morning sailing tomorrow, interviewed Jason Steele, whose life journey is totally inspiring, and who is quite extraordinary as a person. Here is a dad who is instilling a love for living into his three year old daughter who already knows the engines of a V8 and has her own quad bikeâ€¦. Life is filled with limitless possibilities for southern men and their families! We then drove to Lands End and lit the torch before eating lunch at the Anchorage. Sonia Allan, the Anchorage Manager, gave us coffee and hot chips, even before we had thought of asking â€” and offered us beds should we need them â€” wow Bluff, you are at Lands End and are the most generous people!!! It was a wonderful day for each of usâ€¦look how happy Alex is with the coffeeâ€¦everything is larger than life in Bluff, the people, the oysters and the coffee cups!!! The carols and atmosphere in the stadium was of international standard and great fun to be part of â€¦. Without their haven I do not know how we would have completed the journey of ninety days of walkingâ€¦we desperately needed the TLC and rest of a few days before the final thirty kms is able to be walked! But it is almost a dream to realize we have almost finished posted Dec 23, , 2: Then it was off to the Invercargill Council to meet with Mayor Tim Shadbolt who we previously had only seen through the media or the watching of our New Zealand film, the Fastest Indianâ€¦â€¦which tells the life story of Burt Munroe who broke the speed record in Utahâ€¦and developed his remarkable motor bike in his home in Invercargill Mayor Tim appeared in the movie as Mayor Tim. Since his term in office, Mayor Tim Shadbolt has been part of the rebuilding of Invercargill through stunning initiatives such as establishing a zero fee policy for the Southland Polytechnic. He obviously has the ability to listen to visionaries such as Penny Simmonds who spearheaded the transformation of a city through the transformation of the Polytechnic. We did not expect that the interview would begin with the Mayor giving me the Mayoral robes, hat and chains to try on for size, nor that Mayor Tim would make the special effort of driving us around, in his mayoral robes, on a tour of the city that included Splash Palace. Huge thank you to the Mayor for accommodating us on an already fully scheduled day in the office!!!! After saying goodbye to the Mayor we drove back to Riverton and did some shopping at the Paua Shoppe owned by the Reverend Wayne Soperâ€¦â€¦. To be able to experience Paua abalone being sourced from local waters and transformed into stunning jewellery and laminate that will decorate homes throughout the world was an incredible experience. New Zealanders used to see Paua as just a local shell and

now are beginning to understand the resource that has been hidden on our shores.. Alex had missed out the day before while visiting relatives. It was a gathering of representatives from the Trust who had built the dream of the museum. We had met her at the concert she conducted on Sunday and were deeply humbled by her holding the hope torch and when she later presented us with vegetables from her garden and delicious muffins cooked for us later that afternoon. This torch lighting took place in a beautiful garden landscape created by Marie to provide a wee sanctuary around their home in Riverton. We were deeply moved by what one pair of hands can create with the right balance of creativity and practicality. Thank you so much Blair and Marie for inspiring us all. Next stop was the Flax Mill to be given a guided tour by Des for Alex to film. Des Templeton is the epitome of a southern man. He states categorically that his success is due to the beautiful woman at his side and we would heartily agree. What an amazing couple who have impacted a community whilst producing incredible children and grandchildren who each have social responsibility, taking leadership roles on many continents. It is our pleasure to know and love the Templetons. Back to the flax and the boys who made it happen. The fibre produced is sold all over NZ and it is from this mill that scientists have trialed and been successful at creating the worlds first surfboard made entirely from flax fibre rather than fibreglass. All we need are willing, skilled hands to transform living fibre into living costumes!!! Could it be possible that our humble New Zealand flax is the strongest fibre on earth from a plant that has medicinal properties as well. Perhaps our rainforests hold many secrets yet to be discovered in terms of materials and medicine.. Alex stayed the night with us and got to know the family who have firmly become part of our lives. We did not find ourselves at the anticipated Christmas service. Without realizing it, we had walked into the farewell service of Captain Ralph and Nikki Harquest. We very quickly became aware of the impact this couple and their family has had on both the Salvation Army congregation and Invercargill itself and were stunned to realize that their next post is at Wellington South - the second largest Salvation Army church in Wellington. This was one of those moments. We realized we had stayed in Ashburton with the Salvation Army couple who had been stationed at Invercargill before the Harquests and we realized that the Harquests themselves would soon be living and hugely influencing our Wellington community that is home to Kotuku. Imagine our shock when she instantly invited us for dinner, a community church carol concert and to stay the night. She was our answer to prayer. We drove quickly to Riverton where we were given a complimentary tour of the Museum Te Hikoi. We were each really impressed at the international standard of exhibits and the unique way they have been presented to provide an unforgettable journey of discovery for visitors to the area. Thank you to the Museum Trust for enabling us to share and film Te Hikoi. Kotuku will return here. Our hosts, Janice and Des Templeton are community icons. More on that later! After a fabulous meal at their beautiful home we experienced a wonderful integrated community church Christmas variety concert in Riverton. We absolutely loved seeing a community coming together to celebrate Christmas, music and each other. We met the film maker who produced the stunning DVD for the Riverton museum. Dave Asher, and know that he has an amazing project in the pipeline, producing a Southland feature doco. The concert highlighted much local talent and was the outcome of people such as Dorothy Willis, an accomplished conductor. We had the privilege of hearing Witney Irwin in concert. She is a remarkable young woman who touched our hearts with her song. And then it was off to bed at the Riverton Hilton otherwise known as the Templeton home. The sun rose dramatically over the hills surrounding the bay to highlight the fishermen and boat sailing off to the distant seas while the mist rolled off the tiny town still sleeping. Thank you Wayne and Vaughan and we hope the boat came home loaded with fish and crays for Christmas!!!! We then went home for breakfast and drove to Slope Point - the southern most point of the South Island of New Zealand. We had been warned about the wind there, and if you look at our photos you will see the trees bent into the most unbelievable shapes because of constant wind gusts. It was a surreal feeling to be walking through farmland to the edge of our world with absolute uncanny stillness and sunshine. We found mobile phone connection here for a brief and precious few moments. The only moments we had been able to talk with loved ones for several weeks of walking in no reception areas. We also found our new friends from England who are touring NZ and kept turning up wherever we went. The joy of this journey, at every level, has been all about the strength of relationship building bridges. We returned

to Waikawa to say goodbye to our host Woodrow family and Kerri. In the village we met the Stronach family Grandparents, Pat and Allan, who are part time curators of the Waikawa Museum. Despite our protests, they kindly gave us lunch money and we completed our stay there by eating more of the most delicious blue cod in the world cooked by the lovely Kerri. It was soon time to walk on to Invercargill and we were so excited that our host family decided to walk the first 5 km with us!so it was that we found our very first family of hope walkers outside of Kotuku! You girls looked beautiful and inspired us to keep going, despite increasing blisters and weakening knees! Just before our guest walkers departed, a car driving past stopped and a woman came running towards us, very excited to see our jackets! We just know with certainty that Kotuku and Tent Pegs will work together in some way in the future!!!! After a long walk in the semi rain, I got the privilege of walking into Invercargill on my shift!.. Rex, Alex and Wang walked shifts simultaneously in sporadic rain showers and we made fantastic time today through magnificent team work. Rex is taking anti-inflammatories and they seem to have solved the swelling problem in his legs. Thank you for all the prayer support. He is back on top form. Alex and I both have legs that are feeling the impact of the road but are managing to get them to move when we need to walk!.. It was quite late and we had, as always, no prearranged place to stay. After Alex was picked up by his relatives to share a wonderful few days of getting to know his extended family, Rex, Wang and I went out to eat at a Thai restaurant before approaching a motel for accommodation " our standard of cuisine and general living standards have catapulted since the arrival of Wang with fresh resources and fresh legs! Hearty respect to Wang for joining the team at such a great time and helping us make it to the finish line. We also hugely miss you Timskez!!!! It was almost 10 p. It was a good feeling to know that Alex was safely tucked up in bed at his rellies place and that things would look better in the morning!.

Chapter 2 : Local Support Organizations |

Welcome to the Footprints of Hope website. Peter & Kate Mancey, working as John 21 Ministries, minister God's word and share personal testimony to bring challenge, fresh faith and renewed hope so that His people may be equipped to impact lives for Christ.

There are physical scars from surgery and treatment that are a constant reminder of what you have been through. There are emotional scars that cannot be seen but that are also just as real. Everyone tells you to find a new normal; that things are different now. Finding a new normal was not acceptable to me. I wanted my old life back. Since I am a retired librarian, I started doing what librarians do; seeking information and asking questions. Mainly I just wanted to know WHY things had to be different now. The physical scars from surgery itch and pull. I can feel them every time I move and see them every time I get dressed. For those of you with similar scars, here are some suggestions. The after effects of radiation continue to change and alter my skin. I have been blessed to find a massage therapist who can break up the scar tissue that forms and keep my muscles moving. I only wish that everyone had access to the kind of care she provides. I continue to hope for a day when alternative therapies like massage therapy and yoga become an integral part of cancer care along with traditional medicine practices. Current research shows that when the two are combined, patients have a better quality of life during and after treatment. Then there are the emotional scars. I wanted other people to know that their feelings are real. Trust me, you are not alone. There are support groups in many communities. Daily meditation to focus on being positive is helpful. For me, it is time spent in prayer, reading my Bible and a short devotional. Yoga is also a great stress reliever for anyone; sickness or not. The practice of yoga teaches your body to relax and helps you stretch and move. Restorative yoga is a great way to start. Scar tissue is real. Do what I did. Ask questions, read and find information about your particular problem. Maybe it is a new normal but it does not have to be one filled with fear or pain.

Chapter 3 : Footprints of Hope - City of Refuge

Footprints Of Hope helps the hurting wounded in Alabama. Let us help you put the pieces back together in one of our Life Skills Groups or our one on one counseling sessions. Join us in a great adventure to spiritual, emotional, and physical health.

But more about that later. But life is unpredictable and things can change at the last moment. Suddenly, all our hopes are dashed. While it is powerful, it may not necessarily be biblical. The magi, however, had biblical hope. Because biblical hope has, as its foundation, the promises and character of God. Before we look at Matthew 2 , let me show you a concise verse that summarizes biblical hope. It is Hebrews 6: Because it finds its bedrock within the character and promises of God. This is the kind of hope that motivated the Magi to leave their country and travel a long distance. This is the kind of hope that propelled the wise men to give of the treasures. This is the kind of hope that prompted the Magi to risk their own safety in search of the king. Truly, biblical hope is more powerful than Webster hope! We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him. Had they come on a hunch? Or was biblical hope really driving their search? Perhaps a little background will help answer that question. Much of what has been written about the Magi is based upon speculation or traditions that may have no basis in fact. For example, they were not kings but were rather advisors to kings. And no where are we told there were only three. There was probably an entourage of people with these kingly advisors. The Magi were from either Persia or Babylon, and they functioned as the religious, civil, and political counsel to the kings of Media and Persia. Do you recall Daniel in the Old Testament book of Daniel? He had been promoted to the position of advisor to the king of Babylon Daniel 2: They, too, had many gifts showered on them which would explain how the Magi in Matthew 2 had gifts to bring if this tradition continued and were even called wise men in Daniel 2.

Chapter 4 : FootPrints of Hope

Get ready Grand Cayman for the Footprints of Hope Evangelistic Campaign! Invite your family and friends to a series that will enrich your life to endure the challenges that we face in our world today.

Chapter 5 : Footprints of Hope

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Chapter 6 : Footprints of Hope Ministry

Footprints of Hope. Deborah and Nathaniel's Story "Being pregnant has changed a lot of my perspective on life how I see it. It wasn't planned, but God gives us tasks in our lives that we know we can handle."

Chapter 7 : Foot Prints Of Hope Inc in Pikesville, Maryland (MD) - www.nxgvision.com

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Chapter 8 : Footprints of Hope – Daily Reflections from a Cancer Thriver

Footprints To Hope is a small private counseling practice where you will feel comfortable and enthusiastic about getting help with whatever sort of trouble you may be experiencing! Sometimes tiny life struggles become overwhelming and seem crushing to us.

Chapter 9 : Footprints of hope blog - kotukurising

"While development can be associated with different interpretation and meaning it can also be summarized into simpler term that of uplifting the standard of living of that particular community or people".