

# Prayer Update 991

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## God's Word for this week ...

The LORD sits enthroned forever; He has established His throne for judgment. He judges the world with *righteousness*; He judges the peoples *justly*. The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know Your name put their trust in You, for You, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek You. (Psalm 9:7-10). When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when the wicked rule, the people groan. (Proverbs 29:2)

## Restoration of Christian roots

- **Pray** for the restoration of Christian roots and principles in New Zealand. Galatians 5:16-23 describes some of the lusts of the flesh in contrast to the fruit of the Spirit. Christian values – that is, God's standards – have gradually been eroded, especially over the last few decades. The best way to bless our nation is to return to God's ways of right living, as shown to us in the Bible.
- **Pray** for the best candidates to be chosen as MPs and leaders within our new government; and for wise, righteous leaders at all levels and at all times.
- **Pray** that God will grant us good government which is pleasing to Him and a blessing to our whole nation.

## It's coming up soon!

This coming Saturday, it will be 2 weeks before people can begin to vote, and 2 weeks later will be Election Day, the last day people can vote. **Pray** that people will vote for what is best for our country – righteous leaders, and legislation that is best for our people and our future.

## What do you know about the Referendum votes?

How much do *you* know about the End of Life Choice Act, and the proposed Cannabis Legalisation and Control Bill? – because the Referendums will simply ask you “**Do you support ...**” these, **Yes** or **No**. So we need to know what they say, and what they could lead to, *before* we vote!

[www.votesafe.nz/quiz](http://www.votesafe.nz/quiz) and [www.thedruggingtest.nz](http://www.thedruggingtest.nz) each have a multi-choice Quiz – on euthanasia (10 questions) and cannabis (15 questions) respectively, together with your answers and the correct answers. They are *very informative* and only take about 20 minutes to do both, including reading the very important (but little known) information given.

If the End of Life Choice Act gets a majority of votes in favour, the Act **will** come into force, as it has already been passed by Parliament and it cannot be changed. The vote on the Cannabis Bill is not binding on the incoming Government and would be open to public discussion/submissions.

- **Please pray** that people will get informed about these Referendums *before* they vote, and realise the implications and possible consequences of these becoming Law.

## Vaccines

Worldwide, there have now been 30 million known cases of Covid-19, increasing by about 1 million cases every four days. Globally, there have now been 940,000 known deaths, increasing by over 5,000 deaths every day. **Please pray** that safe, effective vaccines will soon be available, and that many millions of doses will rapidly be available worldwide.

**Pray also** that the spread of Covid, and deaths from it, will rapidly decline.