



## A WORD FROM THE REV.....

Having the Mayor on Toast.

Well not really, but we did have the Mayor with toast. *Mayor* Athanasopoulos joined us for Breakfast last Wednesday, followed by having a look around our Church. Seeing all that we were doing Kingston Mayor, Arthur Athanasopoulos was very impressed with the way churches like ours are opening up to the community. He was pleased with what we are doing for men and people with disabilities, as these are such high needs areas in Chelsea and surrounds. When you consider the message Ross brought us last week regarding his prison ministry program, and the update from Bill Nargee on his ministry, we can only say that our God is an awesome God.

God Bless  
Steve.

Next Sunday 9 August, the Board and others will be visiting Freeways Church and spending time afterwards with their leadership group. The Board is doing this to help to become aware of the sorts of things God is doing in other Churches. In this way, we hope to be able to be more open to God leading us here at Chelsea. Over the year we will be looking at some very different churches, from big to small, older to younger, from upwardly mobile focused to focused on the poor and unwell.

We are exploring “Unless we are aware of the sorts of things God is doing, how can we recognise them?”

Please Pray for the Board as it seeks to be more open to Gods word.

### STOP PRESS:

We have received \$5000 from the council towards building a disabled toilet.  
We have also received monies on behalf of “Great Circle of fire” to run Men’s Parenting groups in 2009 – 10.

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