



*Equipping churches to connect with young people and their families through Training, Resourcing, Advocacy and Networking*

## PYM EVENTS 2024

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Friday 26th –  
Sunday 28th July 2024

The PCANZ's National Youth Leader and Young Adult Conference is back for 2024! Join us for Inspiring Keynotes, Creative Worship, Insightful Workshops, Regional Hangouts, Great Kai.

Forest Lakes Camping and Conference Centre,  
Otaki Wellington

### Key Leaders Retreat

Friday 29th November –  
Monday 2nd December 2024

PYM is inviting key youth leaders to attend our Key Leaders Retreat in Queenstown. A key Leader is someone who heads up youth ministry at a particular church or organisation and leads a team of youth leaders. This key leader retreat is aimed at, gathering, acknowledging, refreshing and equipping key leaders from across the PCANZ.

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### Te Rangatahi Noho Marae

Friday the 26th – Sunday the 28th of April 2024

We are inviting year 11-13 students to our national church Marae at Ohope Beach, Bay of Plenty. This Christian leadership event will provide an engaging learning experience around key themes of Tikanga Maori, The story of the emergence of Christianity among Maori and how Te Ao Maori (the Maori worldview) and Christianity can be woven together, The partnership between the Presbyterian Church and Te Aka Puaho, The Treaty of Waitangi and Leadership principles from Te Ao Maori

Each church school or church is asked to nominate 2-5 year 11-13 students (if you had more we could discuss opening it further), to come along and join us for the two night overnight marae stay

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## HELPFUL RESOURCES FROM THE [PYM WEBSITE](#)

### Whānau Friendly



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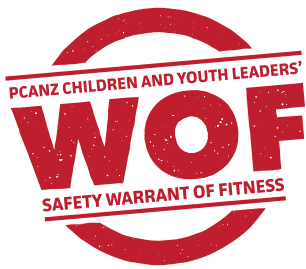
The Whānau Friendly Process is an intentional journey with teaching and reflection for the whole church whānau to engage in together. It fosters an understanding of the collective power of the congregation discipling young people – together. It has also been created to help congregations reflect on their current ministry and discern in which ways God may be leading them in the upcoming years.

### EMERGE LEADERSHIP FORMATION

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Start developing tomorrows leaders today! The ongoing development of new leaders is an essential part of any church youth ministry. Unfortunately, we find that many youth ministries struggle to find time to develop new leaders. We have put together a two-year video-based leadership program that can be easily run in any local church.

## Safety WOF Training



Keeping our young people safe is a top priority for all churches in the PCANZ. All leaders are required to go through the WOF training. Join us for an online training, or do it locally in your parish

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## Youth Ministry Coaching

Stepping into a youth ministry can be a daunting task for an inexperienced leader. We have found that if a new youth leader is coached by an experienced youth leader, they are more likely to lead a healthy and effective youth ministry. We have coaches trained to deliver some very helpful content on:

1. Helping new youth leaders think through some of the basics of youth ministry leadership.
2. Supporting new youth leaders in the challenges they will face in the first year of ministry.

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## The PYM Internship

The PYM Internship offers fantastic support for anyone wanting to gain a Certificate, Diploma and Bachelor of ministry qualifications related to youth ministry. The internship provides:

- a tried and tested internship structure that creates a sustainable learning environment and will potentially cover your study costs
- The opportunity to participate in a great learning community with fellow interns that includes regular online discussions and opportunities to meet up for face-to-face interaction

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## The Seven Sustainable Practices for Supporting a Youth Leader/Worker

Youth leaders who stick around for 5-7 years achieve so much more than someone who only has a 1-4-year tenure. This resource provides simple steps that a church can take to help retain and support a youth worker or leader.

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## STEPPING STONES OF FORMATION

Creating or finding great teaching curriculum is an ongoing, time-demanding task. We have hand-picked several excellent resources to help teach young people and compiled them into several age and theme related categories. This resource will save you hours of work!

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## Employment Guide for staff working with young people

This is a comprehensive step-by-step guide for churches looking to employ a children's youth or families worker.

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