

Sunday, 21st - Saturday 27th, August, 2011

## **RITUALS OF ENCOUNTERS in Healing: Pastoral Care and Counselling**

**Themes / agenda of the days:**

- Sunday 21st:** Registration and POWHIRI (Ritual of Welcome)  
**Monday 22nd:** Te Taha Tinana -  
**Human embodiment:**  
the *physical* dimension in healing, pastoral care and counselling  
**Tuesday 23rd:** Te Taha Wairua -  
**"Human ensoulment"(soul/spirit):**  
the *spiritual* dimension in healing, pastoral care and counselling  
**Wednesday 24th:** Te Taha Hinengaro -  
**"Human behavior":**  
the *experience* dimension in healing, pastoral care and counselling  
**Thursday 25th:** Te Taha Whanau:  
the social, relational and ecological network/environment:  
the *systemic* dimension in healing, pastoral care and counselling  
**Friday 26th:** Thematic wrap up and closing ceremony  
**Saturday 27th:** departure of participants / Business meetings

**ICPCC-President**

*Announcing the 9th ICPCC World Congress on Pastoral Care and Counselling*

*The Anglican Church Maori Bishopric in Rotorua and ICPCC are cooperating for this congress.*

*The ICPCC Executive Committee intends to promote the spiritual realm in care and counselling and to enhance the identity of the ICPCC.*

*Care giving should be a "normal ingredient" within daily human encounters and different cultural contexts. "Professionalism" should be transformed from the exclusivity of costly counselling rooms, to the immediate environment of existential life events and the rituals of people and communities which they use to heal life and to create a humane space for meaningful living.*

*However, the ICPCC puts a high premium on the scientific character of academic research within the field of pastoral care and counselling. In this regard it wants to merge pastoral theology with the needs of communities of faith and different cultural contexts. Thus the emphasis on interdisciplinarity, interculturality, spiritual wholeness and a holistic approach to care and counselling that will include all dimensions of human life, also the ecological environment.*

*The congress will set these focusses as listed above on each day, inviting for sharing the Maori concept and respective concepts in the tradition of the participants.*

*We invite the pcc-professionals and volunteers working and striving to reflect and enrich their own mission, to engage in this exchange with the Maori People and with colleagues worldwide.*

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