

# VantagePoint Pastoral Care



Helping church leaders be  
"Shepherds after  
God's own heart"  
-Jeremiah 3:15-

## TO THE CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM:

### Introduction

Greetings.  
I want to thank you for considering this service for your minister. Please allow me to introduce myself.

**Family.** My name is Kurt Fenton and I've been married to Lisa since 1988. We have 3 adult children and one grandchild.

**Experience.** I have over 25 years of pastoral ministry experience, most of that being in a cross-cultural setting. I have a counselling practice where I have done nearly 3000 hours of face-to-face counselling since 2012.

**Education.** I have two pastoral degrees (B.A. and M.Div.), a counselling degree (BCouns.), and am presently working on a post-grad certificate in supervision.

**Professional.** I am a full member of New Zealand Association of Counsellors.



### Benefits to the Minister

*"Pastor, who do you go to when you need input?"*

That's a question often asked, but not always easily answered.

A minister's heart leads him to care deeply and sacrificially for the people God allows him to serve. People often open up to the minister and share their trials, hurts, burdens, and struggles.

*But who can the minister go to when he or she is facing the same?*

Vantage Point gives the minister a safe place to land. Whether the need is for encouragement, accountability, input, or just sharing the burden, your minister will find the answer to the above questions.



### Benefits to the Church

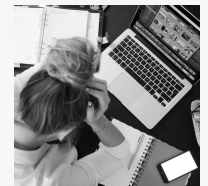
*"What does a pastor do all day?"*

Another common question.

Many church congregations are largely unaware of the huge amount of mental, spiritual, and emotional energy it takes to lead a church.

According to research in the States, nearly 1500 pastors leave their ministries every month due to burnout. Pastors average only four years in their church, and 57% would leave the ministry if they had somewhere to go or another way to make a living.

Your church deserves to have the healthiest pastor available. **By providing your minister with the services Vantage Point offers, you will be helping to turn back the burnout pressure.**



### FINANCES

- Each time your minister and I meet will last one hour; each 1-hour session costs \$90.
- Options are available to meet monthly, fortnightly, or weekly.
- Many ministers will sacrificially give extra money they have to assist others, leaving very little of that kind of surplus for themselves. **I would like to recommend that your church makes pastoral care a regular part of the annual budget.**
- Payments can be made by bank transfer upon receiving an invoice from me.

### Session Options

For those in the Hawkes Bay area, face-to-face sessions can be arranged.

For those "further afield" sessions are held via Zoom.

### Vantage Point Ministries

205A Windsor Avenue  
Hastings, NZ  
021-023-22118  
kurt@vpc.nz  
www.vpc.nz

*Gaining Perspective...Clarifying Direction*