

Game on for Promise Keepers

Promise Keepers recently kicked off the Game On season with its first event in Dunedin.

Peter, who is only 11, said, "I could feel the Holy Spirit in the room while I was worshipping God. I am a lot closer to God".

Promise Keepers is using sports-related imagery and stories this year, but the core theme of the Game On events is all about pressing on towards the real goal in life, the prize that God has called us to in Jesus (Phil 3:14).

"Many men, both young and old, became Christians for the first time. Some were released from issues that had been holding them back. Others determined to be more

focused in their spiritual journey with clearer priorities and goals," said PKs' John Subritzky. "Encouragement and inspiration are characteristic of a Promise Keepers Event," Matthew, 24, said, "Excellent, really encouraging and relevant talks about sensitive issues including sexuality, relationships and integrity." Men considered their role as team members in the Church and looked at how they could function better in God's power.

"Every year, men often comment that they didn't feel like going to Promise Keepers but were so thankful that they did," said Mr Subritzky.

Andrew summed this up well. "I have often fallen prey

in the months leading up to the next event of thinking I've 'been there, done that', what more can I get from Promise Keepers? Each time I go, I am reminded (again!) that God is an unlimited God; there is always so much more. God 'showed up' in ways and times I didn't expect. Each Promise Keepers Event bears a freshness and newness that really doesn't allow me to say 'I've been there, done that'.

Mr Subritzky said they had worked hard to create an event that allows men to open their hearts to God and get closer to him than ever before. "The Dunedin event has paved the way for even greater things to come at the remaining Game On events." ■



SPIRIT-FILLED: Men said they felt God's presence and experienced healing at PKs' Game On event in Dunedin.