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June - July 2025

Series 4

Meandering down the Byways of Medicine

Venue:	Windsor Community Church
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Series 4 - Meandering down the Byways of Medicine

Presenter: Professor Terence Doyle

Terence Doyle is Emeritus Professor in the Department of Medicine at University of Otago. Now retired from active medical practice he is engaged full-time in History of Medicine and Science.

Terence was, for many years, Professor of Radiology and Head of Department of Radiology in Dunedin. Professionally Terence had many strings to his bow but he was probably best known for establishing breast imaging in the southern region. He led a highly successful pilot programme for mammographic breast screening in the region.

He is currently Society of Apothecaries of London Lecturer in History of Medicine at University of Otago. He specialises in presenting History of Medicine and Science in interesting ways, with a range of lectures extending from the Classical period to the Modern era.

His research interests focus on the Early Modern and Eighteenth Century periods; particularly the Latin works of Francis Glisson and the archival material in the Monro Collection at University of Otago.

Session 1 : Friday 6 June

Medicine in the Bible and in the Ancient World.

The Egyptians developed a complex system of medicine, which later influenced the Greeks such as Hippocrates. Their influence is also seen in the many references to disease and illness in the Bible. Many biblical verses describe medical treatments that were common at the time, such as leaves (Ezekiel 47: 12) and balm (Jeremiah 8: 22). Was Luke the author of Acts and the gospel of Luke a doctor (Colossians 4:14)? What does the Bible contribute to the history of medicine?

Session 2 : Friday 13 June

Some famous patients.

Throughout history, the medical progress of many famous patients has been well recorded. Many of these patients are best described as 'difficult'. Here we explore some of them.

Session 3 : Friday 27 June

The History of Drugs in the Modern Era.

All medicines are drugs, whereas not all drugs are medicines. Come and learn the differences and similarities. What have humans consumed over the years to restore themselves to health and prevent disease; how has this changed and where are we now and what might we be using in the future. Penicillin was considered a Miracle Drug. It is estimated that penicillin has saved between 80 million and 200 million lives and without its discovery and implementation, 75% of people today would not be alive because their ancestors would have succumbed to infection.

Session 4 : Friday 18 July

Agatha Christies Poison Pen.

In most of Agatha Christie's stories, someone meets an untimely end. Often this involves the use of poisons. The fact that Dame Agatha knew a great deal about the subject is apparent from what she wrote.

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A man walks into a doctor's office. He has a cucumber up his nose, a carrot in his left ear, and a banana in his right ear.
"What's the matter with me?" he asks the doctor. The doctor replies, "You're not eating properly."