

PRAYER -Several opportunities to be involved through the week...

'Prayer Chain' – Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

'Prayer 4 U'– Mondays in the Church Library, 12:30pm to 1:30pm.

Tuesday, 'Prayer For the Nation' - 11am -12pm in the Church Prayer Room.

'Friday Revival Prayer'– Meets every Friday evening 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Church auditorium, or if that is being used, we meet in the Church House. All welcome. Enquiries to Stewart Patrick contact 0210470795.



FOODBANK... Thankyou for your faithful giving to this ministry.

Up-to-date needs are: Cereals, long life milk, flour, sugar, noodles, tea, coffee/milo, toilet paper, toothpaste, soap, washing powder, small bags of rice, rubbish bags

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP ON THE SOUND DESK

You may have noticed on the roster that often we put 'volunteer' when there is no-one to fill a task for that day. The sound desk is one of these jobs we require more people to man on a Sunday morning. If you think this is something you could help with and would like to know how, please see Stewart, Mike or Andrew

TOSS Garage Sale– is this Thursday 23 February. Please drop anything off to the office in the mornings before Wednesday that you would like to get rid of. We welcome anything in good condition but are saying no to clothes and books.

CHURCH DIRECTORY – we endeavour to keep our directory up-to-date at the church office. Could you please check your details on the copy left on the back table and mark any changes. If you would like a photo, please see Marilyn after the service.

CHURCH GIVING ENVELOPES – If you have not picked up yours yet please do so from the table in the foyer. If you are not needing so many envelopes e.g. give fortnightly or monthly, or on A/P, please phone Jenny Phin 8673443.



Welcome All to Y.G.17!
Whanau BBQ and hang out

6:30 – 8:30pm, Friday February 24th

at the Hoskin's home, 190 Darwin Rd. \$3, bring togs & towel



	Today 19 Feb 2017	Next Week 19 Feb 2017
Greeters	D Whibley, N Nelson	L McAra, Al Clement
Explorers crèche	N Hawkins	V Judd
Ministry Team	P Burrows	J McHardy
Cups of Tea	A & D McLean, W Carstens	S Tulia, A Lawton, W Lindsey
Flowers	Amanda Lewis	Amanda Lewis
AV & Sound	Dione Russell / Volunteer	Cody / Volunteer
Counters	R Nelson	D Welch



19 February 2017

10am: 'Come To The Light' – Part 2

Revelation 22:16-17

Leading: Preaching: Stewart Patrick

Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick

6pm: 'Worship In The Garden' with Malcolm Gordon, Jan & Graham Newman's, 648 Ormond Road

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Elders Team

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'Explorers' crèche is operating and available for 1-4 yrs.

'Kidzspace' Primary age children head out when directed.

'Matrix' Intermediates meet during the message time, over in the house.

Stewart writes... "My desire is to position and prepare as many of my people as desire to receive and carry My glorious Light, to all who live in darkness in this place." This

is a word received by one of our elders at the end of last year and I believe is a great word for the church as we move into 2017. To that end I bring my second message on the theme of 'Come To The Light', from this key text, Revelation 22:16-17 NRSV (16) "It is I, Jesus, who sent

my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." (17) The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.



Stewart's retirement/resignation plans – Last week MUP Leadership Team accepted my letter advising my intention to retire from the position of 'Leader' of Mangapapa Church, in 1 year, Feb 2018, and I announced this in the Service last Sunday. Key points to note in the letter that I read are; *It is very important that I give this one-year notification, as it will give the time needed for our church body to work through the process and seek the Lord for the new Leader/minister/pastor. This will be a key part of our 2017 Strategic Plan. I do not take my position here as fulltime Lay Leader, for granted and I will work with the Church Leadership for the best outcome and timing, for the transition of a new Leader or Leaders of this Church/Parish... In regards to our future in retirement, our plan (the Lord willing), is to remain based in Gisborne and to remain members of Mangapapa Church. We are very aware though that we will need to give space for the new leader to establish their ministry at MUP, without people referring to us, so we will be away for a period and our grandchildren will get lots of attention, I hope? Marilyn & I am both passionate about the work we do together in the 'Abiding Life' discipleship counselling ministry and it is our desire to be available to travel on occasions to other churches in NZ to teach and train others, to minister, counsel and be encouragers of other church leaders.*

As advised last Sunday, Leadership Team have appointed Andrew Russell to head up a 'Selection Team' that will have a mix of leaders and congregation members' representation.

Thanks also to Rodney Judd, (one of our senior elders up until a few years ago), for the words of comfort and direction that he felt prompted by the Lord to give to the church at the close of the Service last Sunday; *"The initial feeling of news like this is to run and hide, but we do not. I have been involved in the selection process of ministers such as this several times in churches, and the Lord makes the way/provides. We all can pray... we are to pray now... we pray for Andrew who heads up this selection process."*

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.

'Worship In the Garden & Vines', with Malcolm Gordon Today at 5:15pm, 648 Back Ormond Rd, (Graeme & Jan Newman's property).

The BBQ Picnic commences 5:15pm and then around 6pm a unique evening Service with



Malcolm Gordon. There is loads of parking in the rear paddock and there will be folk directing you there. Bring your picnic tea and anything you would like cooked on the two big BBQ's there. **If it's wet, a decision will be made on Sunday morning whether to hold Service back to the Church auditorium, 6pm.** Graeme & Jan Newman's beautiful Garden & Orchard property is just 3km from Mangapapa Church, straight up Back Ormond Rd, on your left, approx. 300 metres from the Haisman Rd/McClaurin Rd/Back Ormond Rd intersection.



For Prayer & Praise this week...

- **'Te Hahi' Church Police Support** – Church leaders received this report from Snr Constable Pam Bell, Gisborne Police, this week; "In late January we attended an incident with a woman and spoke to her about Te Hahi. She was open to this support as she felt that she needed extra support in addition to the counselling she was receiving. As a result a referral was actioned. [The Outcome](#) - I received the following text from the woman recently: "Te Hahi... just left and I'm feeling wonderful again this is awesome stuff can you please thank LeAnn for the referral for me." I have just spoken to the woman and considering the stress that she has been under, she was remarkably happy and cheerful on the phone. She said that it (Te Hahi) is what she has been looking for and was very grateful for the referral. You are a wonderful team, doing wonderful work. All the very best, Pam."
- **Congratulations to Alicia Hoskin** – Alicia has been selected for the NZ Junior Team to the 2017 World Kayak Junior/Under 23 Championships.
- **Testimony Service** – coming up 10am Sunday 5 March.
- **'Alpha Course Training'** – Tuesday 14 March 7pm. New Alpha Film Series & 'Youth Alpha' courses, will be presented by Jonathan Hesp from Alpha NZ.



CHURCH FAMILY CAMP 2017

Where: Tolaga Bay Holiday Park

When: 3-5 March You will need to ring the Camp (06) 8676716 to book your own accommodation. Day visitors

are welcome. For further information, pick up a handout off the back table.

Nicola's CAPtion - This week I am off to the annual CAP conference in Auckland. The theme is getting closer to God and closer to CAP's vision. Please pray that I come back feeling energised with God's spirit.