

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House
Thu 16 th Oct	TOSS Garage Sale
Fri 31 Oct	Hymnalong, 10am, commencing over a cuppa
Sun 2 Nov	Child Dedication Service
Sun 2 Nov	International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church
Sun 16 Nov	Te Hahi Picnic here at MUP on grassed area



Church Office Hours: 9am - 12noon, Mon - Fri (excluding public holidays).

‘Prayer Chain’ – Any matters requiring confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Val Judd or Elaine Oates.

Monday Bible Study – Meets weekly at 2.30pm in the Church House. Contact Elaine Oates for more info.

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study – Meets weekly at 1.30pm in the Church House. Contact Maureen Wilson for more info.

‘Men’s Group’ – Meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7.30am, currently at Noel Dunn’s place. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

‘Womens Lunch Study Group’ – Fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 9th October. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women’s ‘Growth Group’ – Fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm at Diane McLean’s. Next meeting will be 9th October. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

“The way you view God will eventually show up in the way you live your life.” - Charles Spurgeon

Giving/Tithing - If you wish to tithe or make a donation to Mangapapa Church, our account number is: Mangapapa Church, 03-0638-0381084-00. Please make sure you say ‘tithe’ or ‘donation’ in the reference. If you would prefer to give using our ‘Envelope’ system, then see Jenny Phin who will set you up with envelopes allocated to you.

	Today	Next Sunday 12 th October
Greeters	J Phin, I McCoy	M Raikaukala, A Clement
Ministry Team	A Russell	D Russell
Cups of Tea	N Coffey, E & B Bowis	L Hindle, N Aston,
AV & Sound	R Nelson / D Russell	D Russell, S Patrick
Counters	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe



Sunday 5th October 2025

10am: “From Root to Fruit”

With Communion

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Kids stay in church today

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and don’t share them.

Shane writes "From Root to Fruit" - Family Service

The Bible often uses pictures of seeds, trees, and fruit to help us understand God's kingdom. Last week at our family service, we looked at "The Sower and the Seeds" together.

This Sunday, we're thinking about fruit. Jesus said His followers should produce good fruit - but what does that mean? What might that look like in our everyday lives? Come along as we explore this fun and important theme together as a church family.

Key scriptures ... John 15:5, Galatians 5:22-23, Matthew 7:16

McFARLANE NEWS



Alison and Ken are experiencing many challenges in their plans at present and they have had to make big changes to do things very different to what was planned. They were due to leave NZ this month to go to Thailand and Myanmar but for

now need to be home. Please pray that Alison's heart beat will settle and all will go well for their much adjusted plans. Ken will go over for the month of November to set up the distance learning system and squeeze in as much teaching as possible. He will then come back to NZ and they will both teach using the distance learning for about 6-8 hours per day – NZ time 2-10pm, working with a normal working day in Loi Tai Leng. Then they both hope to travel in February for some face to face teaching. Please keep them in your prayers and the situation as there are other doctors who cannot continue because of health issues too.



For Prayer and Praise this week...

- Congratulations to Gill Sharp on becoming a grandmother again
- Stewart & Marilyn have their son here for a few days, enjoying time together after more than 2 years
- The family of Janet Burgess pass on their thanks for her lovely funeral and those who helped make it special
- Pray for Daylene Benson who is patiently waiting for double hip surgery and for those who are going through other health issues
- Pray for students, teachers and Principals as they commence term four schooling

HOUSE SITTERS NEEDED OVER THE CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR PERIOD



Peren and Ashley Mountfort are heading away New Year and wondering if anyone was interested in house-sitting. Exact dates are yet to be confirmed but likely around 30 December to 10 January. Sitters would need to be

comfortable with a friendly dog who loves to play fetch.

Also they have friends who are visiting from Christmas Day to 30 December, a couple with three children and wondering if anyone is going away over that period and they could housesit.



Te Hahi Awhi Baskets – It is time to start collecting for the Te Hahi Christmas hampers. They cost \$150 each, and MUP has been encouraged to supply 10 baskets (if possible). These hampers will be distributed by the police Whangāia team to needy folk. Any donations towards these can be paid to the Mangapapa Church account (number is on the back of your newsletter) and will be included in your MUP end of year tax receipt. Please use 'Xmas Hamper' as the reference.

Next TOSS Garage Sale – 16th October – Any items you no longer need, we would gladly welcome them. Just drop them off to the office during week day mornings or bring along on Sunday.



GREAT NEWS – Gizzy Kai pickups position filled – thankyou Amanda Lewis and Marie Potter.

If you would like a copy of the article Stewart P mentioned in his message last week - ["Can Christians Find Ways To Disagree Agreeably"](#), by Rev Dr Stuart Lange, there are a few copies on the table in the Church foyer, or you Click on the title weblink above.

PLEASE – NO MORE OF THE FOLLOWING FOR NOW

Egg Cartons, Banana Boxes, Clothes for Ward 11. We will let you know when required again.



Foodbank – Our current foodbank needs are:

Weetbix/cereals, rubbish bags, UHT milk/milk powder, milo, tuna/salmon, dishwash liq, washing powder, 2 Min Noodles, pasta, tinned veges, potato flakes, single adult toothbrushes