

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.

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

'Men's Breakfast Group' - Meets at 7am on Tuesdays. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

Thursday 'Womens Breakfast' - Meets at 7am on Thursdays in the Church House for Breakfast. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

Women's 'Growth Group' - Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House.

'Christmas Nativity Creations' - As a church we would like to invite you, as an individual, as a family, or as a home group, to create a Christmas nativity scene to display in the church for all of December. On the day of our Christmas Carol event before Christmas, we will invite the public in to view. Let's share the 'Good News' this Christmas. Pictured as an example is one of the displays from a similar event at MUP 20 years ago!



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 13 <sup>th</sup> November
Greeters	J Phin, N Aston	L McAra, J Dyas
Explorers Crèche	R Theobald	Parents
Ministry Team	E Oates	S Clement
Cups of Tea	M Smith, W Carstens	L Hindle, N Coffey
Flowers	B Bowis	B Bowis
AV & Sound	J Russell, R Levy	R Nelson, J Russell
Counters	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe



# Our motivating vision is...

'To be His Love, Light and Life'



# Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022



10am: Testimony Service

With Communion

Leading: Stewart Patrick **Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick** 

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Elders Team Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863-2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949

Children 4-8 years go out with Marilyn. 9+ years to go out with Janice.

If you have cold, flu or COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home and get a R.A.T. Test.

### 'Testimony Service'- Today - Scripture encourages us that we all have

something to share, so every 3 months we give opportunity for anyone to share brief testimony of what the Lord is doing/has done or revealed to you, in recent times. It can be something very simple such as an answered prayer or a word

Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done.

from Scripture that greatly encouraged you. Think and pray about that in your life recently which may encourage others and let Stewart know before the Service if you wish to share. *Please note*: We will not be recording nor 'Livestreaming' the Testimony Service, as there can be personal items shared that are best kept off wider media platforms.



Myanmar Team Leader after

**3yrs, in August.** 

### Stuart Corlett - Circuit International

MUP Church has supported Stu and the mission of Circuit International in their work in Myanmar, since its inception over 10yrs ago. Last Sunday



Stu shared with us an informative and encouraging word on the mission's practical work and the 'Jesus story' in it all. If you missed it, I am sorry we have not left the livestream or podcast on our website, due to the sensitive nature of working in that troubled region, however Dione at the office can give you a copy of the podcast if you ask for it.

**For Prayer This Week:** We are again mourning the sudden passing of a much loved MUP Church member, **Andrew McLean.** Our hearts and prayers go out to **Diane and her family**. Andrew had not long been residing in care at Leighton House. Diane says physically, Andrew was well and strong, but on Monday he contracted Covid 19 and deteriorated very rapidly with heart and lung failure. He passed away on Wednesday morning. Andrew's



funeral will be held at Evans on Monday at 11am, and this is out of Diane and the families desire and concern for us at MUP, that we be free to attend the funeral without having to prepare for it and cater for it. Stewart will be officiating.

**Kaumatua Program** - Last week we met with the school that has invited Te Hahi for volunteer Kaumatua to be part of the school whanau. The meeting was very encouraging and Nona, Isla and Anna are starting there next Tuesday, and Erin will start next year. We are thankful for the invitation. Keep these people in your prayers that they may be great ambassadors in that place for MUP, Te Hahi and Jesus.

## From the Elders/Leadership Team Meeting this week:

We advise that we have appointed a team to commence the process of finding and appointing a new Church Leader. The Search Team members at this point are Stewart (Chair), Dione Russell, Bill Wheeler, Paul Madsen and one further yet to be appointed. Our first task will be to clearly define the attributes and skills of the person we are seeking, and to prepare the Job Description. We are agreed that MUP's 'Team Leadership' DNA will continue and the person we seek may be a Lay person or ordained



will continue and the person we seek may be a Lay person or ordained. The position may be full-time or part-time. We always welcome your thoughts and comments as we proceed.

2) We commend to the congregation that Paul Madsen be appointed an Elder to the MUP Elders Team. With such appointments we seek ratification by a congregational vote, and this will be held after the Service on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Paul is currently employed part-time as MUP's 'Lay Leadership Assistant' on a 1yr contract, and will be preaching on 20<sup>th</sup> November where he will share his story as part of that.





**Te Hahi Christmas Hampers** - In conjunction with the Te Hahi Police Whangaia Unit, we will be putting together special hampers for families in need this Christmas. If you wish to give to this over the next few weeks, there is a list of items needed for the hampers on the back noticeboard. Please put any food items for them in the regular collection basket – but label them 'for Te Hahi'.

On behalf of the patients and staff that attend at Ward 4 Planet Sunshine, we wish to thank your wonderful knitters for the lovely blankets 'prepared with love'.

The skill, time and effort demonstrated in making these blankets is greatly appreciated and we 'accept them with love'. Parents are thrilled to have them as a leaving present, as they enhance the recovery of many sick children.

Once again, thank you.

Yours sincerely, Deb McKay - Clinical Nurse Manager

A letter we received during the week from Planet Sunshine, Gisborne Hospital.