

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office
18, 20-21 Mar	7pm-8.30pm CAP Money Course coach training (Zoom)
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	10am Easter Sunday-Shane & Ali Roche. BBQ lunch after.



**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 at 2pm in the Church House. For more info contact Elaine Oates.

**Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** – Meets at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

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

**'Abiding Life Course'** – Meets at 3pm on Wednesdays in the Church House. Contact Stewart Patrick for more info.

**'Womens Lunch Study Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

"God loves us because He wants to. Nothing you can do about it." - Joyce Meyer

**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 24 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>Greeters</b>	I McCoy, L McAra	J & L Hawksworth
<b>Ministry Team</b>	E Oates	M Freeman
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	Volunteers	P Oram, D McLean
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	P Madsen / N Dunn	R Nelson / D Russell
<b>Counters</b>	B Wheeler	G Stevenson



**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

**10am: 'Two Testimonies'**

Bryan Yuile – Former NZ Black Cap  
Nola Burgess QSM – 'Be of good cheer'

**Leading & 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

*Kids go out with Marilyn Patrick and John Hill this morning.*

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

**It is a 'Testimony Sunday' today** and this time Stewart is going to interview two folk who have testified for our Lord Jesus Christ in totally different circumstances and life experiences. First this morning we have **Nola Burgess**

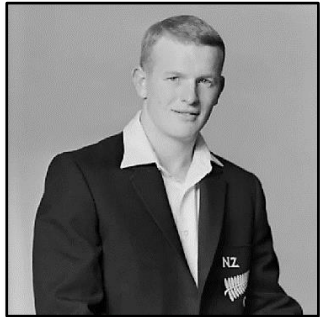


who has been blind almost all of her life. Nola was featured in an article of the Gisborne Herald this week, ['End of era as Nola loses her best mate'](#) However, last week here at Church, Nola was reminded of a significant event in her life as a young mother, where the Lord spoke to her and it was a moment of His Grace that has been sustaining. Nola will share that with us.

Then we have **Bryan Yuile** to share his testimony. **Bryan & Jo Yuile** have lived in Wairoa and Ruakituri Valley for approx. 50 years – Bryan as a Social Worker, Jo on a family farm in their later years at Ruakituri. They were leaders in many roles at St Andrews Union Parish in Wairoa all that time, and only in the last 15 months moved to



Gisborne to be near family, and have joined us here at MUP. Bryan played Cricket (and Hockey) at the highest level in his younger years and is a former NZ 'Black Cap'. He toured with the NZ Test Team to England, India, Pakistan and South Africa, and has fascinating stories to tell. He is grateful for having played with Christian team mates and men who came to faith in Christ after their playing years. He keeps in touch with several of them still.



**Stewart writes...** Thank you so much to all our folk out delivering the **'HOPE For All'** booklets to our Mangapapa area in the lead up to Easter. Your response has been amazing. Our thanks to – Gordon O'Neill, Diane McLean, Raewyn Theobald & Zebrina, Isla McCoy, Fay Martin, Lyn & Margot Hawksworth, Gill Sharp, Anne Dehne-Walker and Avery Tyler.



**Our MUP Easter Events coming up...** After all the great 'wet' of last year, we hope for a fine Easter and to be able to do **'The Cross Witness Walk on Good Friday morning'**. We meet at 9:15am at the Botanical Gardens, Corner of Roebuck Rd and Aberdeen Rd, where we will assemble as a group to carry our 3

Crosses to the Church. We arrive approximately 9:45am at the Church where we will erect our 3 Crosses on the corner of Ormond Rd, and our Scripture sign boards upon all three. We pray blessing upon them and then move into the Church for a 35 minute Service. The Fiji Fellowship will be meeting with us and participating in the walk and Service.



**For Prayer this Week:**

- 1) Pray for **John & Angela Paton** who are heading away to a remote area of Argentina to be with a close friend whose husband is unwell and be of assistance there.
- 2) We pray for **Wendy Carstens** visiting her sisters in South Africa.
- 3) We pray for **Shane & Ali Roche & family** – They are flying out to us from

Gatwick, London at 10:40pm this Friday evening, our time, and arrive in Gisborne next Sunday morning, early. Shane reckons he will slip into church, if he's still wide awake!! Let's pray the flights do provide them with some sleep and they keep well. **You will have a supplement in your Newsletter on Sunday, with many more details of their time here in Gisborne and opportunities to meet with them.**



**2024 Church Directory** – There is only **a couple more weeks left for you to update your details** in the 2024 Church Directory.

There is a draft copy in the foyer. Please check your details and tick if correct, or write in the corrections. If you're not in the Directory and you want to be, just write your details in at the back. If you want to update your photo, either email one to the office or catch Dione after church and she will take one for you.

**Lost Property** .... If any of these items of clothing that have been hanging in the foyer for months are yours, please take them home before we wash them and take them to the Op shop. →



**CAP Money Coach Training** - There are numerous people who would benefit from a CAP Money Course but not enough coaches. If you are interested in becoming a CAP Money Coach, and have time to run your own courses, then there will be online training available on March 18, 20 & 21 from 7pm-8.30pm. **Registrations close Tuesday 12 March.**  
*See Church noticeboard for more information.*