

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	5.30pm Te Hahi Combined Service at Alive Church
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10am CWCI North Island Summer Retreat - Gisborne
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.

**‘Womens Lunch Study Group’** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon. Bring your lunch. Next meeting Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

**Women’s ‘Growth Group’** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

“Wrinkled with problems? Go to God for a faith lift.”  
- Tonya L. Matthews

**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 25 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Greeters</b>	M Wilson, J Phin	J & L Hawksworth
<b>Creche</b>	Parents	Parents
<b>Ministry Team</b>	A Clement	M Freeman
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	P Oram, W Carstens	J Dyas, A Tyler
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	R Nelson / D Russell	P Madsen / N Dunn
<b>Counters</b>	N Coffey	B Wheeler



**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**10am: ‘God’s Rainbow’**  
*Genesis 9:8-17*

**Leading: Sal Clement      Preaching: Diane McLean**  
**Duty Elder: Al Clement**

**Church Office:** Dione Russell    **06 867-9604**    **9am – 12noon**  
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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.**

**Diane McLean shares the message today. She writes...**

In today's reading we hear God's side of the covenant He established between Himself and every living creature on earth – not just Noah and his family. I wonder what our side of this covenant should be? Surely honouring God is the main purpose, as well as caring for the amazing world that He has created.

The other lectionary reading for today is Psalm 25. Key verse: "In You I trust."



**Stewart writes...** Colleen Mounsey shared beautifully, deeply and very personally last Sunday morning and everyone here at MUP was so blessed by her testimony and message. Sadly there was a glitch in the recording of this, so we do not have it available.

Here are some special thoughts Colleen shared, on the past 8 months since Bruce's passing...



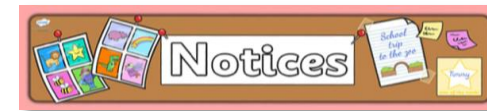
- **Isaiah 54:5, "For your Maker is your husband, the LORD of hosts is His name"**. In the first difficult days of Bruce's passing, Colleen was looking for the verse in Isaiah that called Bruce to preach, but this verse leapt from the page before her. A precious personal word and promise that will carry her through her days now that Bruce her husband has gone to be with Him.
- **'Your word will be your legacy'** – Bruce received that personal word from a Guest preacher at a large Church in London some 15 years ago. Colleen is seeing that come to pass in several ways.
- **Family restored** – Colleen's brother has seen restored relationships in his family/children, as a result of Bruce's passing.
- **Colleen's miraculous health recoveries** – On two occasions Colleen has been admitted to hospital unwell, and received dire prognoses each time, but she also had 'peace' each time. Both times the 'further tests' have revealed nothing! The week prior to coming to us, Colleen was in hospital and could not talk. It was thought she had suffered a stroke. But tests revealed nothing, and here she was, sharing with us just days later. Thank you Lord!
- **Prayer** – When Colleen was told a scan had revealed a large dark mass in her abdomen, she had peace, and only told her Womens' Prayer Group to pray for her. One woke at 3am in the morning with a vision of a hand reaching into Colleen and removing something. It was after this all further tests revealed nothing. *We pray and ask for prayer from others, in every situation.*
- **You reading this, will have more/different encouragements** – share them!



**For Prayer this Week:**

- 1) Angela Paton's brother, **David Florance**, passed away unexpectedly but peacefully on Thursday. We pray for Angela and David's family, who have always had connection here at MUP.
- 2) **Pray for Mike Tombleson and family**, in the process of sorting out Mum's home. **Thank you Lord** – For the lovely funeral for Helen and the many household items the family have donated to MUP to use.
- 3) **Thank You Lord – Shane Roche** confirms he will be preaching here at MUP on Easter Sunday, **10am 31<sup>st</sup> March**, along with Ali and the family, and the Church BBQ lunch that will follow the service. We also pray for their preparations for their 3 week holiday and visit here, 25<sup>th</sup> March to 14<sup>th</sup> April.

**TOSS Garage Sale** – Thank you to all who have given things for us to pass on or sell. We had a very effective day. It is always so special to see needs being met. The public get excited when the sign is out on the corner and always ask when the next one is, so hopefully we will open up the shed again before Easter. A reminder that all monies raised goes towards helping with local mission .... Foodbank, E-bags etc.



**'HOPE FOR ALL' Booklets – pre Easter delivery to Mangapapa area.** Every Easter we have the opportunity to deliver these excellent booklets with wonderful testimonies and stories of HOPE, to letterboxes in our Mangapapa area. If you have done a delivery area before for us, Stewart would love to hear from you if you are able to deliver that area again, or if someone wants to deliver for the first time, great, we will give you an area to do. It is great to do and pray as you go!



**Te Hahi Combined Service – 5.30pm 25<sup>th</sup>**

**February** There will be a shared dinner and worship. The Guest speaker Jon McKensie, Frontline Policeman from Whakatane. They are also going to take the opportunity to acknowledge and thank Sam Aberahama for his dedication to Te Hahi. *More info on noticeboard.*

**A Date For Your Diary! Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – Welcome to a Fellowship Day with Bible teaching from Beth Worley of Australia. Beth edits the 'Know Your Bible' studies and comes to us with CWCI – Connecting Women To Christ. The day starts with morning tea at 10am. Venue is Mission Hall, 707 Gladstone Road (near Mill Rd). *See the Church Noticeboard for more information, or for enquiries contact Diane McLean.*

