

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office
Fri 8 th Sep	10am Hymn-A-Long at Frank & Lorraine Darcy's
Sun 10 th Sep	6.30pm Equipping Evening at AOG Church
Wed 20 Sep	7pm AGM



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 – Over winter they are meeting Mondays at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Elaine Oates.

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

‘Men’s Breakfast Group’ – Meets at 7am on Tuesdays. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

‘Womens Lunch Group’ – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting, 24th August. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women’s ‘Growth Group’ – Meets fortnightly on alternate Thursdays to Women’s Group, at 1pm in the Church House. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

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 27 th August
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	M Raitaukala, I McCoy
Explorers Crèche	Parents	Parents
Ministry Team	E Oates	S Clement
Cups of Tea	J Dyas, D McLean	N Aston, <i>Volunteer</i>
AV & Sound	R Nelson / N Dunn	D Russell / A Russell
Counters	A Radcliffe	B Wheeler



*Our motivating vision is...
‘To be His Love, Light and Life’*

Sunday 20th August 2023

10am: “Testimony Sunday”

Leading: Dione Russell

Preaching: Testimonies

Duty Elder: Andrew Russell

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
Paul Madsen: 027 511 4769

Children go out with Peren & Ashley Mountfort and John Hill.

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

This morning is a Testimony Service.... a chance for us to share about what God has done in our lives. But why should I share my testimony?

It glorifies God. Your story is unique (even if you don't think so). God has chosen to work in your life in a particular way for a particular reason. Declaring out loud what God has done in your life honours Him and builds faith, yours and others. Remember, you are testifying to His work, and that is something to be celebrated.

Your testimony demonstrates God's power. It shows people that God is real and grows faith that what He did for you, He can also do for me. As the Psalmist said, *"Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story— those He redeemed from the hand of the foe," – Psalm 107:2-3*



Stewart writes... Last week we stayed 3 nights in Cam, Gloucestershire, with great friends of ourselves and of MUP Church - David & Monica Stevenson. Back in 2007, they happened to be touring NZ and attended MUP one Sunday morning. We got talking after the Service, found out they had run 'The Marriage Course', and other Marriage seminars. The end result was they remained with us in Gisborne doing seminars and church life together for the next 5 years. Now they are back home in the UK supporting their Church there. We also met some new friends in Tewkesbury, who showed us around the magnificent Abbey. Built in the 10th century, it would have been destroyed by King Henry 8th, who destroyed so many, but the people of Tewkesbury got together and bought it, thwarting him! They paid £453 – an enormous sum in the 16th Century - to buy their parish church and, in so doing, saved the magnificent building for future generations. We also saw the first Baptist Church in the world, built in sight of the Abbey, now gifted to the Tewkesbury Museum, but used on special occasions too.



MUP Re-Roofing Project



Things are beginning to wrap up and come to a close. The work on all the roofs that we are doing now, is done - apart from a piece of flashing that needs to be completed after the guttering is done. Extra flashings were laid around where the metal was badly rusted near the skylights – a roof that we are not getting replaced at this time. The guttering is scheduled to take place mid to end of this week.



For Prayer This Week:

- **Pray for the New 'Church Leader' position advertised –** Continue to pray that the Lord 'stirs up' desire in the person He has called to come and serve at MUP.
- **Pray for Colleen Mounsey and family** as they adjust to life without Bruce.
- **Continue to pray for Al Clement** on his road to recovery after two operations.



Our AGM – 7pm Wednesday 20th September.
Please mark this on your calendar.

Ministry Leaders you need to get your reports to the office by **this Friday 25th August** please. Thanks.

