

Dates to Remember	
Date TBC	4.30pm informal picnic tea at Makarori Beach. BYO food.



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 – Currently having a break and will recommence in February.

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

Thursday 'Womens Breakfast' – Has started up again. Meets at 7am on Thursdays in the Church House for Breakfast. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

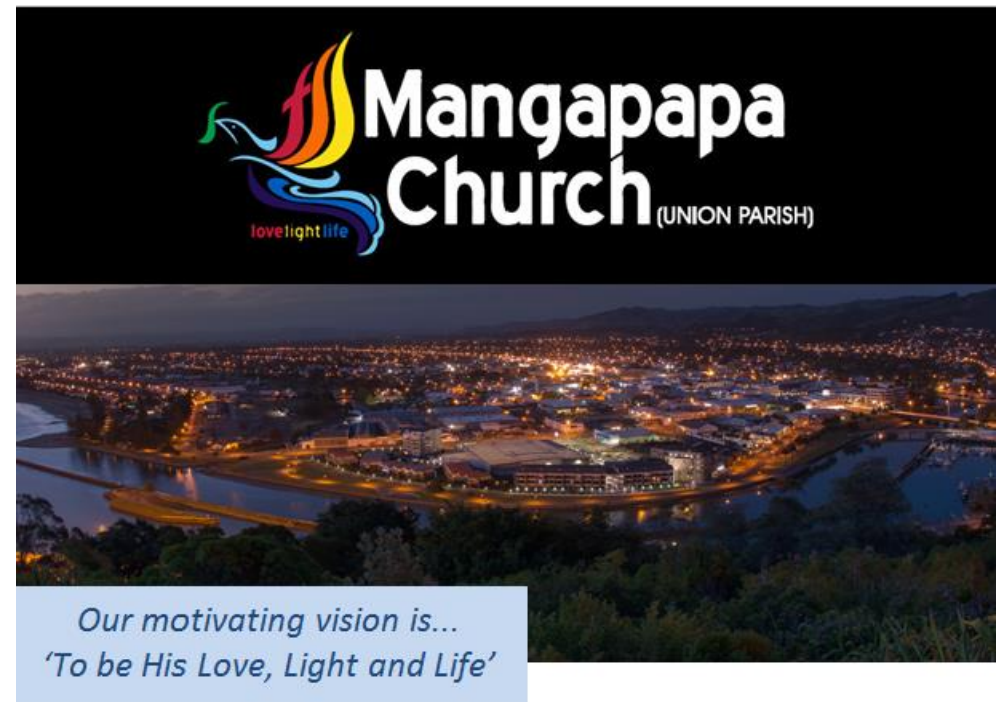
Women's 'Growth Group' – Currently having a break and will recommence in February.



Foodbank – The demand on our food bank has increased and we are very low on the following items: flour, sugar, canned peas, pasta sauce, rice, washing powder, dishwashing liquid, toothpaste, soap, 2 minute noodles, coffee, soup, tuna/salmon, crackers, muesli bars, biscuits.

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 29 th January
Greeters	M Raitaukala, M Wilson	J & L Hawksworth
Explorers Crèche	Parents	Parents
Ministry Team	E Oates	S Clement
Cups of Tea	A Alder, I McCoy	J Dyas, L Hindle
Flowers	B Bowis	A Lewis
AV & Sound	R Nelson / N Dunn	D Russell / A Russell
Counters	B Wheeler	G Stevenson



Sunday 22nd January 2023

10am: "I Have A God – No Obsessions"

Psalm 46:10

Leading: Dione Russell

Preaching: Stewart Patrick

Duty Elder: Al Clement

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Elders Team

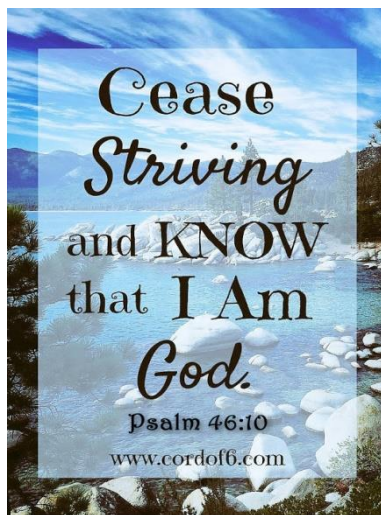
Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863-2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949
 Paul Madsen: 027 511 4769

Children stay in during the service. Activities available on table at the back.

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

Stewart writes...

We have commenced this year with themes that speak Life into our mental and spiritual health and wellbeing. We are seeing where Christ and Scripture bring clarity from the Source – God the Father, and noting where the world's teaching in these areas falls short. First we saw that **'Being Thankful'** is absolutely key to recognising our new life and the new garments of His holiness which we have been given. Then last week we saw that even the world is recognising the great benefits of having a sense of 'awe', but that our only true and lasting sense of 'Awe', **grows out of our recognising we are now receiving His kingdom, and cherishing thankfulness for it.** Now today; **'I Have a God – No Obsessions!** If I can know, in every circumstance, that I do have a living God – I have no enemies – I do not need to obsess – "Cease striving...Be still" ... what a difference that will make to my life.



For Prayer this Week: - Several of our folk are recovering from covid and other health issues – some have plans for travel to other family overseas, and we pray for strength and health for them.

TEAR FUND – MUP East Africa Famine Christmas Gift – Your giving to this appeal in the lead up to Christmas, saw us forward a total of \$525.



Thank You! What's happening in East Africa, and in particular, Ethiopia?

- Millions of livestock have died, and harvests have failed due to severe drought from the failure of three consecutive rainy seasons.
- Recent internal conflict has displaced people. This has forced them off their land, taking it out of production and further reducing food availability.
- Covid-19 and the war in Ukraine have seen food prices skyrocket and food availability severely reduced, resulting in millions facing a catastrophic hunger crisis in Ethiopia and other East African countries.

'Testimony Service' – 10am Sunday 12th February – In 3 weeks' time, we have our next 'Testimony Service. 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 from Scripture that greatly encouraged you. *Please contact or speak to Stewart if you would like to share, even if it is something that is just a couple minutes long - we LOVE hearing testimony!*



Envelope Giving Query - On Sunday 1st January, someone dropped a white envelope numbered "51" into the collection box. We are not sure who to allocate this to, so could the person who donated that please contact Dione Russell in the office. Thanks.

Accommodation Wanted - A Christian family living up the East Coast is looking for accommodation/board for their 2 children for this year, as it takes them 2 hours to get to Gisborne. One is 25 years old and will be working for Farmers Transport, and the other is 20 years old and starting a course at EIT on 7th February. Both are described as responsible, honest young people who need help to get ahead. Renting is way too expensive and they wouldn't be earning enough to pay for it. They may have an opportunity to get a caravan, so even a section with a bit of room to park it and being able to hook into power would be appreciated. If you know of anything, please contact the office.

