

Dates to Remember	
5 <sup>th</sup> May	9am-11am Church gardening with others
11 <sup>th</sup> May	8.15am-midday TOSS Garage Sale
16-18 Jun	40 Hour Famine

Don't Forget



**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 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.

**Thursday 'Womens Breakfast'** – Currently on hold. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm in the Church House. Next meeting is due 27<sup>th</sup> April March.



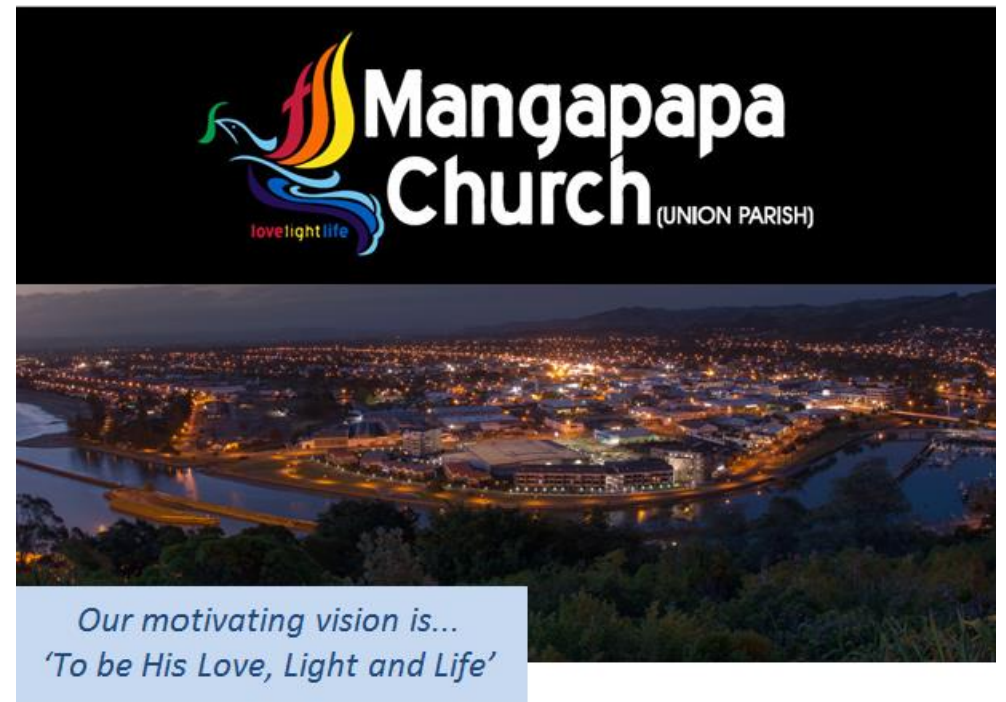
**2023 Church Directory** – These will be printed and ready to collect next Sunday. If there are any further corrections you wish to make to your details – this is the last week to do it.



so much to those who provided meals for people affected by the flooding, they were most appreciated. You can collect your dishes from the church foyer.

**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 30 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Greeters</b>	M Raitaukala, <i>Volunteer</i>	A Clement, M Wilson
<b>Explorers Crèche</b>	School Hols	Parents
<b>Ministry Team</b>	S Clement	A Clement
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	M Freeman, M Smith	N Aston, M Potter
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	P Madsen, N Dunn	D Russell / A Russell
<b>Counters</b>	N Coffey	B Wheeler



Our motivating vision is...  
'To be His Love, Light and Life'

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

10am: "Fulfilment"

Matthew 5:17

Leading: Dione Russell

Preaching: Frank Darcy

Duty Elder: Paul Madsen

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

Kids are to go out for a movie in the Blue Room.

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

## Frank shares with us this morning. He writes ...

"The early church learned from the Old Testament something of the ways of God in redeeming his people, and the promises bound up in the prophets concerning the Coming One who should deliver his people.

They found themselves living in the age of fulfilment and looked back to the earlier scriptures as those of promise.

The Old Testament was something inherently incomplete, with the key to its own understanding only made plain in Jesus Christ." – International Bible Commentary



## Stewart writes... 'Testimony Service'

**next Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April.** 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. **Think and pray about that in your life recently which may encourage others and let Stewart know if you wish to share.**



David and Dale Garratt, creators of 'Scripture in Song', were featured in a wonderful interview article in last Saturday's NZ Herald. The [web link](#) requires a Herald Subscription, but Diane McLean has given us the newspaper pages and these are available to read on the Sound Desk wall. Their testimony speaks powerfully, and times of brokenness are a major part of that. I love this piece, *"The millions of records and songbooks, the revolution that created an entire genre of contemporary Christian music - and yet neither of the Garratt's were ever especially musical. David said an extraordinary thing, "We were completely inappropriate to do what we were doing. There's a Bible verse that says God chooses the simple to confound the wise. And that's the thing I want people to understand. We were unsuited to do what we did but we were chosen for what we did because we were unsuited for what we did."*



**End Of Year Donation Receipts** – These have been done and emailed out to those whom we have email addresses for. For who don't have email, your receipt has been printed and is available to collect from the table in the church foyer.



**For Prayer this Week:** We continue to pray for those impacted by our Easter Services, that Jesus Christ is seen and glorified.

- Some have been unwell this week, we pray for them.
- The person who damaged the church lawn - we pray for them.



**Next 'TOSS Garage Sale'** – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 8:15am to midday.

**Plants Sale raised \$170 for the RUEL Philippines Orphanage** – Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser on Tuesday morning, either by providing plants to sell or buying some. We made \$170 and would love to raise more, so today after church there will be plants for sale out on the lawn by the tree. These are some prices: **\$5 – Maple trees & Fruit tree seedlings; \$2 – Garden & House Plants; \$15 – Orchid Plants**



**Our Church Gardens** – Our next Gardening Session is on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May, 9am-11am.** Love to see you there if you are free. Gardening with others is fun!

## Girl struck, buried by log

Breaks to both sides of her pelvis



SERIOUSLY INJURED: Christchurch girl Juliana Morrison is in Gisborne Hospital after she was seriously hurt yesterday when a heavy log she was playing on with two other children rolled on top of her along Commercial Marine Drive. She was partially buried in the sand and had to be dug out by family members. Picture by Paul McLeod

On the front page of the Gisborne Herald on Monday (17<sup>th</sup> April) there was a picture of the Christchurch girl who got trapped under the log, in Gisborne Hospital, and one of the blankets that MUP had knitted is covering her. On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April, her father rang our office to say thank you for the blanket. He wanted to let the knitters know that the blankets don't go unnoticed by the those who receive them, and that his daughter was very fond of hers and will be taking it back to Christchurch with her. It was very much appreciated and brought a measure of comfort in a very difficult time. *Thanks to Anne Russell, Christine Coffey, Jan Holmberg and all the other wonderful ladies who knit the peggy squares.*