

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House
TODAY	10am Testimony Service
TONIGHT	6pm Unplanned Movie at AOG Church
Wed 26 th Aug	10am Hymn-A-Long
Fri 28 th Aug	Deadline for AGM ministry reports to be sent to office
Sun 30 th Aug	10am Missions Service - World Vision "Chosen Sunday"
Wed 23 rd Aug	6.30pm 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 – Meets weekly at 2.30pm on Mondays in the church house. See Elaine Oates for more info.

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study – Meets weekly at 1.30pm in the Church House (but not in school holidays). Contact Maureen Wilson for more info.

'Men's Group' – Meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7.30am, currently at Noel Dunn's place. Contact John Hawksworth for more info.

'Womens Lunch Study Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting 20th August. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm at Diane McLean's. Next meeting 20th August. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

"In proportion as a church is holy, in that proportion will its testimony for Christ be powerful." - Charles Spurgeon

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 th August
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	M Raitaukala, <i>Volunteer</i>
Ministry Team	A Russell	E Oates
Cups of Tea	N Aston, L Hindle	D McLean, I McCoy
AV & Sound	D Russell	D Russell / A Russell
Counters	A Radcliffe	B Wheeler



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

Sunday 23rd August 2026

10am: 'Testimonies Service'

Leading: Andrew Russell Preaching: Testimonies
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*Kidzspace (4-8yrs) go out with Gill & Jen this morning.
Matrix (9-14yrs) go out with Paul.*

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

Testimony Time

This Sunday, we'll be celebrating God's goodness together through the sharing of testimonies from our church family. I love that we serve a God who is always at work - not just in the big, life-changing moments, but in the everyday details of our lives.

Come ready to be encouraged, inspired, and reminded of His faithfulness to His people. *(There are still some spaces, so if you have a testimony you would like to share, please let Andrew or Shane know.)*



Movie At AOG Church

The Gisborne branch of Voice for Life is presenting a public screening of the pro-life movie UNPLANNED, at Gisborne Assembly Of God, **Sunday 23rd August at 6.00pm**. Admission is by Koha, and the movie is rated at 13 years and over. See the church noticeboard for a synopsis.

TONIGHT

A Special Service – World Vision Chosen

Next Sunday (30th August), we're looking forward to welcoming guest speaker, Philip Sapsford from World Vision, who will be sharing with us about Chosen — a different approach to child sponsorship where children are given the opportunity to choose their sponsor.

As part of the service, there will be an opportunity for people from Mangapapa to sponsor a child for \$54 a month. We'd love to encourage you to prayerfully consider whether this might be something you could be part of, but there is absolutely no pressure or expectation to do so. For some, \$54 a month may be something you can manage individually. Others might like to join together with a friend, family or small group and share a sponsorship as co-sponsors. It could be a lovely way of making a difference together.

At the end of the service, photos will be taken of those who would like to take part in Chosen, so if you think you might be interested, please allow a little extra time after the service. And perhaps do your hair that morning! 😊

We're looking forward to hearing more about Chosen and discovering together how we might help make a difference in the life of a child.

Greeter Needed For Next Sunday: 30th August – We are needing a volunteer to be a greeter next week. You will need to arrive at 9.30am, welcome everyone warmly and hand out the newsletters. You also take up the offering and food basket. If you are willing to lend a hand doing this, please let the office know.



Hymn Sing-A-Long Cancelled – The Hymn-A-Long that was to be this week on **Wednesday 26th August** has been cancelled for health reasons. The next one will be on **Wednesday 23rd September**.

6.30pm Wednesday 23rd September - Mark it in your diaries now. Ministry leaders, please don't forget to send your reports to the office by **Friday 28th August**.

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Dishcloths and Tea Towels — Could all those who have taken tea towels and dishcloths home to wash during the year please check their cupboards to make sure they have all been returned. We seem to be missing quite a few.



Foodbank – Thank you to those who give to this ministry.

Current needs are:

Weetbix, spaghetti cans, baked beans, soup, pasta, 2 Min Noodles, coffee, spreads, 500ml cooking oil, canned peas, canned corn, toilet paper, canned fruit