

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am-7.45am Prayer at the Church Office
Wed 18 th Sep	7pm MUP AGM
Sat 28 th Sep	5.00pm Roche Family Welcome & Induction Service



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.

‘Abiding Life Course’ – Meets at 3pm on Wednesdays in the Church House. Contact Stewart Patrick for more info.

‘Womens Lunch Study Group’ – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 5th September. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women’s ‘Growth Group’ – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm, at Diane McLean’s house. Next meeting will be 5th September. Contact Elaine Oates or Diane McLean for more info.

“Get connected. Upload a prayer.”
- Unknown

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 1 st September
Greeters	N Aston, L McAra	J Phin, I McCoy
Ministry Team	M Freeman	A Clement
Cups of Tea	W Carstens, D McLean	P Oram, L Hindle
AV & Sound	R Nelson / S Patrick	D Russell / N Dunn
Counters	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe



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



Sunday 25th August 2024

10am: “Combined Service with Wesley Fiji Fellowship”

Luke 16:10-11 – ‘Being Faithful’

Leading: Sal Clement

Preaching: MUP/Fiji

Duty Elder: Al Clement

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

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Elders Team

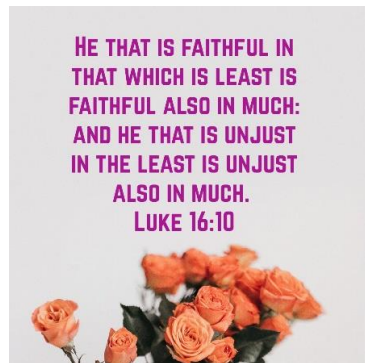
Stewart Patrick: 021 047 0795 Rodney Judd: 06 863 2400 Al Clement: 027 855 5949

Kids go out with Marilyn Patrick and Raewyn Theobald this morning.

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

'Bula'/'Welcome' to all this morning
and especially to the Wesley Fiji Fellowship joining in leading our Combined Service worship this morning.

The Wesley Fiji Fellowship meet here at MUP, 3pm each Sunday for their Fijian Language Service. It is important and very good for us to join together in worship too! Our theme this morning is 'Remaining Faithful on the Journey'. A delightful story for all ages with a great lesson and wonderful insights from Jesus on how faith-full investments now, reap a remarkable beyond death reward.



Stewart writes... Just 7 days to go! Shane & Ali Roche with their children, Izzy & Esme, arrive in Gisborne next Sunday 1st September. **Now in these next 7 days, Elders invite all MUP Church members - in their personal quiet times and in your Small Groups through the week - to reflect and consider prayerfully in these two ways:**

- a) ***"Lord, I/we thank you for the incredible journey and provision in bringing Shane (& Ali) Roche as our next 'Church Leader' at MUP.***
- b) ***Lord, in what ways do you want me to serve You and support MUP Church in this new season of leadership here?***

As Shane & Ali have been preparing their hearts for this massive change and coming to serve the Lord in a new land, let us all prepare our hearts for them. So we ask every group that meets in this week – Study Groups, Music Group, Thursday 7am Prayer Meeting and Thursday Intercessors Prayer Group – to set aside time for these two prayers. Begin with a) Thanksgiving & Praise; then b) A time of quiet reflection, waiting, listening, for all.



'Groceries for the Roche's'

Thank you so much Church! An awesome start last Sunday to the collection of Groceries for the Roaches. If you would like to contribute this Sunday, bring along normal non-perishable things they would use/eat as a family. Then next Sunday, 1st September, the day they arrive (jet-lagged



and tired), we would love perishable items such as cheese, milk, butter, bread, fruit, veges, yogurt – anything that would be kept in their fridge or freezer. Also some baking – cakes and biscuits would be great too! We have containers up at the front of the church by the cross for your contributions. Thank you!

Note: If there are too many of any item we will pass on to the Foodbank.



For Prayer this Week:

- 1) **Pray for Mike Tombleson** – Mike is home now, but he has a long recovery and further treatment ahead.
- 2) **Pray for Shane & Ali Roche and family** – Many emotional farewells to friends, church and family in this final week! **Pray for a long-term Home to rent here, in Nov/Dec.**
- 3) **Give Thanks** – This testimony received after last week's Service – *"My back has been free of pain since a certain person prayed for it on Sunday. Especially when I walk. Praise the LORD! Thanks & heaps of love. Peter."*



Bill Wheeler attends 200^{YRS} Davis Family Celebration

Bill is one of the descendants of Richard & Mary Anne Davis – pioneering missionaries of the Te Waimate Mission in the Bay of Islands, and their daughter marrying Joseph Matthews, pioneering an incredible mission and Church in Kaitiaki. It is an amazing story we have shared here. Bill says of his time last week – *"Oh what a terrific time away. Many great people (all*

relations) to meet - quite a few strong believers...and others not so. But still a wonderful and rich heritage, and of course with very early NZ Maori interaction. Much discussion around the Treaty as you would expect. One highlight was getting to climb into the steeple of the old Waimate Mission Church and ring the bell for the Sunday service...way cool! What an honour... The Local Minister, Elgin Edwards, what a character... he spoke a strong Gospel Sermon, and was unapologetic to say to the congregation that ole Richard Davis/Joseph Matthews and other missionaries would want you to experience the saving power of Christ etc...wonderful stuff!"



Note: THE ACORN SYMBOL on the 200-Year Reunion logo comes from the acorn Richard Davis brought all the way from England. Planted in Paihia in 1824, the oak sapling was transplanted and lived until 2018 at Te Waimate - a ripe age of 194 years.



7pm Wednesday
18th September

Mark it in your diaries now.

Ministry leaders: Your reports need to be sent to the office by **this Friday 30th August.**

Volunteers Needed for Duty

Rosters – We are needing more volunteers for the Morning Tea roster. The same ones are on very frequently now and need more of a break. Let the office know if you are willing to be put on.

