

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House
24-27 April	Young Families weekend away at Mahia
Thu 30 th Apr	8.30am-12noon TOSS Garage sale
Fri 8 th May	7pm HOB Women's Event
Sat 16 th May	8am Men's Breakfast
Wed 20 May	10.30am Beetham Healthcare 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 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. 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.

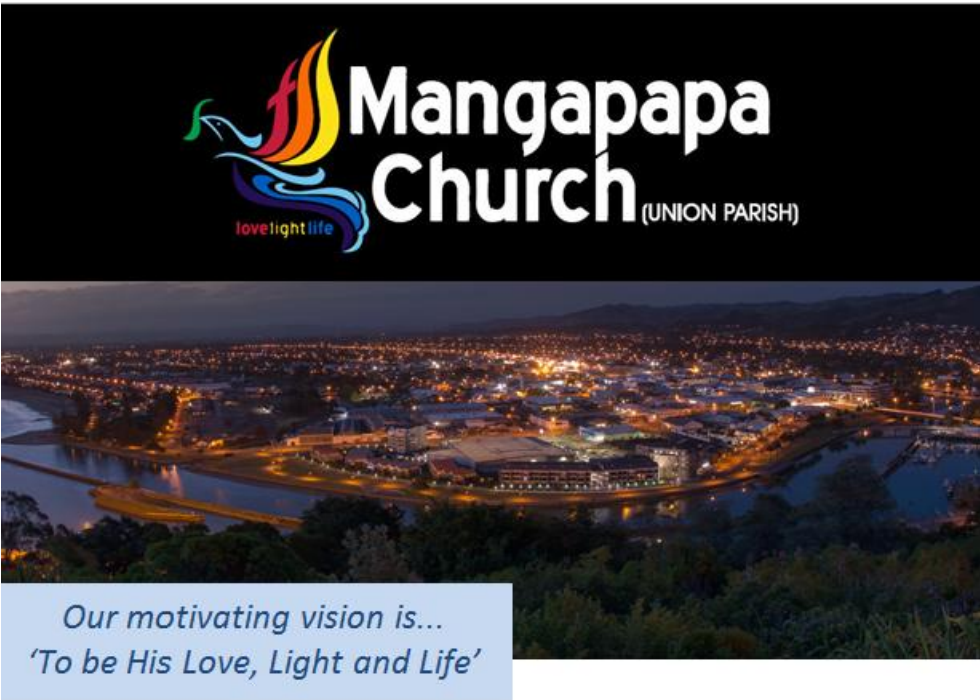
'Womens Lunch Study Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 12noon in the Church House. Bring your lunch. Next meeting will be 7th May. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm at Diane McLean's. Next meeting will be 7th May. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

"Life with God is not immunity from difficulties, but peace in difficulties." - C S Lewis

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 3 rd May
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	J Phin, M Wilson
Ministry Team	E Oates	A Russell
Cups of Tea	A Dehne-Walker, I McCoy	D McLean, J Paton, P Oram
AV & Sound	E Oates, D Russell / S Patrick	R Nelson
Counters	N Coffey	A Radcliffe



Sunday 26th April 2026

10am: 'High Priests, Religious Leaders, Swords & Clubs - Versus Jesus Christ. Who Wins?'

Luke 22:52-53

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No Kidzspace this morning as families are at a camp in Mahia. Matrix (9-14yrs) go out with John Hill this morning.

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

Stewart shares the message this morning. He writes ... **What a contrast – ‘Swords & Clubs’, from the Chief Priests – ‘Love & Sacrifice’ from Jesus.**

Incredibly, swords and clubs resulted from religion. What will result from the faithfulness of the Church to Jesus Christ today?

Luke 22:52-53 - *Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the temple police, and the elders who had come for him,*

"Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness!"



Young Families Camp – This weekend, a group of our young families are heading away together for a camping trip in Mahia. There'll be nearly 30 of us staying across the weekend, with others joining for day visits as well. It's shaping up to be a really special time of connection, rest, and shared life together.

We'd love you to be praying for us while we're away. Please pray for safety, good weather, meaningful conversations, and for God to deepen

relationships and encourage each family. Thank you for standing with us in prayer. - *Shane*

For Prayer & Praise this Week: -

- We continue to pray for Christine Coffey, who is still in Ward 9 at Gisborne Hospital after breaking her leg and arm, in Auckland. We are sure she would love a visit!
- We pray for the Young Families camping at Mahia this weekend.



TOSS Garage Sale is on this **Thursday, 30th April 8.30am - 12 noon**. We welcome anything you no longer need. All proceeds go to local mission.

End of Year Donation Receipts – These have now been done up and emailed out to those whose email addresses are in the Church Directory. For those whom we don't have email addresses for – your receipt has been printed and you can collect it from the table in the church foyer. If you would like a printed receipt (and it is not on the table in the foyer), please let Dione know.

Rosters for June, July & August – We are currently doing up the rosters for the next 3 months. If you are not on any rosters and would like to be, please let the office know. There are many opportunities to serve – Greeting; Morning Tea; Sound Desk; putting up the song lyrics; counting the attendance for statistics. All of these help to make up our services on a Sunday.



Women's Event – 7pm Friday 8th May

The Empower Women's Ministry team at House Of Breakthrough invite the women of Mangapapa Church, ages 13 years and above, to an evening celebrating mothers. Three Women. Three Stories. One faithful God. Sweet treats, barista coffee, hot chocolate and giveaways. Sounds wonderful! Tickets are \$5. See the church noticeboard for more information.

For those not confident purchasing their own tickets using the QR Code, you can purchase them through our office. Just let Dione know and pay the \$5 ticket price to Mangapapa Church (ref: HOB Event) **before 4th May**. Any ticket purchases after this date will have to be made direct to House of Breakthrough.



Foodbank – Thank you to all who give to this ministry. Our current foodbank needs are:

Muesli Bars, coffee, tea bags, spreads, milo/hot chocolate, dishwash liq, washing powder, 2 Minute Noodles, spaghetti, baked beans, toilet paper, pasta, pasta sauce, canned veges, rubbish bags, oil, Weetbix,.