

Dates to Remember	
Thursdays	7am MUP Prayer meeting in the Church House
Sat 28 Mar	8am Men's Breakfast - with Guest Speaker
Sat 28 Mar	2pm Missions Fundraiser Afternoon Tea
Sun 29 Mar	10am Missions Service with Guest Speaker Jeff Woollett
Fri 3 rd April	9.15am Easter Crosses Witness Walk, 9.45am Service
Sun 5 th April	10am Easter Sunday Family 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 2nd April. Contact Amanda Lewis for more info.

Women's 'Growth Group' – Meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 1pm at Diane McLean's. Next meeting will be 2nd April. Contact Diane McLean for more info.

"We will never know, this side of heaven, what terrible struggles took place in the spiritual world between Palm Sunday and Easter morning." - Rodney Buchanan

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 5 th April
Greeters	J & L Hawksworth	M Raitaukala, J Phin
Ministry Team	A Russell	E Oates
Cups of Tea	M Patrick, N Aston, J Paton	D McLean, J Dyas
AV & Sound	E Oates, D Russell / S Patrick	R Theobald, D Russell / N Dunn
Counters	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe

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

Sunday 29th March 2026

10am: "Missions Sunday"

With Guest Speaker from Barnabas Aid

Leading: Shane Roche Preaching: Jeff Woollett
Duty Elder: Shane Roche

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*Kidzspace (4-8yrs) go out with Anna Alder & Paul Madsen.
Matrix (9-14yrs) go out with Carlize Harvey & Ashley Mountfort this morning.*

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

As well as being Palm Sunday today, it is also Missions Sunday and this morning we welcome our guest speaker, **Jeff Woollett**, who is the Wellington Regional Co-Ordinator for Barnabas Aid NZ.

Jeff is a 63-year-old South Islander, born in Picton and who grew up in Blenheim. Currently living in Lower Hutt with his wife, Julie. They have three adult children, and three precious grandchildren.

"I see this role of advocacy on behalf of our brothers and sisters overseas as a privilege and a partnership. We can bless others with our prayers and support, and likewise be blessed by their testimony and courage, in the face of serious discrimination and persecution."

Jeff worked overseas in missions for seven years and has functioned in various church leadership roles before coming on staff with Barnabas Aid in 2018. His role involves connecting with NZ churches, encouraging prayer and awareness for our persecuted family, and communicating about the work of Barnabas Aid as they serve His church around the world.



MUP Easter 'Crosses Witness Walk' on Good Friday morning



We meet at 9:15am at the Botanical Gardens, Corner of Roebuck Rd and Aberdeen Rd, where we will assemble as a group to carry our 3 Crosses to the Church. We arrive approximately 9:45am at the Church where we will erect our 3 Crosses on the corner of



Ormond Rd, and our Scripture sign boards upon all three. We pray blessing upon them and then move into the Church for a 35 minute Service. The Fiji Fellowship along with folk from other churches, will be participating in the Crosses Walk and Good Friday Service.



Daylight Savings Finishes Next Sunday – Just a reminder that Daylight Savings finishes on **Easter Sunday**. Coffee will be available before the service for all those who forget to turn their clocks back. 😊



Baptism on Sunday 12th April – Ashley Mountfort will be getting baptised at the beach, after the church service on Sunday 12th April. Mark it in your diaries now, so that you can come and support her. Further details to come.

St Andrew's Church & Matawhero Church Closures – These churches will be closing on 30th June 2026 and they are inviting you to join their thanksgiving and celebration events over King's Birthday Weekend (29th May – 1st June). If you are interested in attending then please register your interest at standrewsgisb@xtra.co.nz so they can keep you informed of what is happening. See Poster on the church noticeboard at the back.



Just a gentle reminder that coffee is now available before our Sunday services. Feel free to come a little earlier to connect with others, have a chat, pray with someone, or simply listen to the worship as you prepare for the service.



Our Next Hymn Sing-A-Long – Will be at **10am on Wednesday 22nd April**, here at MUP. Come and join in a cuppa and singing some of your favourite hymns. All welcome.



Office Reliever Wanted – We are looking for someone to train to take care of the office when Dione is on annual leave or sick. Job would involve checking and responding to emails; answering the phone; doing up food parcels; attending to people who come in. Hours would be 9am-12pm for one week every school holidays (4 per year), plus the odd day here and there. This is a paid position. Please contact the office if

interested, office@mup.org.nz or talk with Dione.



Foodbank – Our current foodbank needs are: Biscuits, milo/hot chocolate, dishwash liq, washing powder, flour, potatoes or potato flakes, 2 Min Noodles, spaghetti, baked beans and rubbish bags.