#### Dates to Remember

Tuesdays6.30pm Interchurch VolleyballThursdaysTe Hahi Combined Churches Prayer - 7am AOG Church



Church Office Hours: 9am - 12noon, Mon - Fri (excluding public holidays).

**<u>'Prayer Chain'</u>** – Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

<u>**Tuesday 'Prayer For the Nation'**</u> – 11am at Janet Burgess's house. For more info contact Janet Burgess or Gretchen Norman.

**Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study** – Meets at 1.30pm in the Church House. For more info contact Maureen Wilson.

Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast' - Meets for breakfast at 6.45am in the Church House. For more info contact Paul Cosson.

**<u>Thursday 'Womens Breakfast'</u>** – Meets for breakfast at 7am in the Church House. For more info contact Amanda Lewis.

**Women's 'Growth Group'** – Meets fortnightly at 1pm on Thursdays, in the Church House. If you are interested in joining please contact Nicola Hawkins.

**Covid Vaccines** – We know that there are many of you that have concerns and questions about the Covid vaccines. The Interchurch Bioethics Council have produced a paper to assist our understanding by answering some frequently asked questions. You can read this on the Church Noticeboard.

**<u>Giving/Tithing</u>** - 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 18 <sup>th</sup> April
Greeters	M Raitaukala, I McCoy	M Wilson, L McAra
Explorers Crèche	N Welch, E Holwill	School Hols / Parents
Matrix	B Wheeler	School Hols
Ministry Team	E Oates	A Clement
Cups of Tea	Evan Bowis, V Robinson, Volunteer	N & C Coffey, P Oram
Flowers	A Lewis	A Lewis
AV & Sound	D Russell / P Walker	D Russell / P Cosson
Counters	N Coffey	N Coffey





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

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021

10am: "Noah Found Grace In The Eyes Of The Lord"

Genesis 6:8

Leading: Janice Langford Preaching: Andrew Russell

Duty Elder: Rodney Judd

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> 'Explorers' creche is operating and available for 1-4 years. 'Kidzspace' Primary age children go out before worship. 'Matrix789's' go out at message time.

### Paula writes...

He is Risen!

It was wonderful to celebrate Easter together in different ways last week. Thank you to those who helped put together our creative Good Friday Service and walk with the crosses. I have had lots of good feedback not only from



those who were there, but also those who saw us as they drove past. It was also great to welcome several visitors. Thanks also, to those who led our Resurrection Sunday service.

Today we take time to give thanks for the work of our CAP Debt Help Centre and our partnership with CAP over the last 6 years. Our Debt Help Centre will officially close at the end of the coming week, although clients still on a journey out of debt will continue to be supported through this process. We will also continue have our CAP Money courses available to support people with budgeting.

As followers of Jesus we all have a call on our lives – which mirrors the call of Jesus,

# "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.

### He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free...",

That is the "Why" of Cap and the "Why" of our involvement. In the first 10 Years of Cap Debt Help in New Zealand, 1,000 families became debt free. Now it is close to 1,200. From our Debt Centre we have been invited into about 130 homes, have seen 19 individuals or families become debt free and have another 8 on the journey. All these people have also been offered prayer, blessed with food, and when appropriate had opportunities to hear a Christian message of hope. This has been a team effort and we thank all those who have been involved: as Support Friends, pray-ers, bakers, financial providers, and those who have helped in other ways.

Most significantly we thank and farewell Nicola today. Nicola has been the Centre Manager and primary Debt Coach for almost 6 years. She has worked hard and consistently, had many challenges to work through, led teams, and been a key person in the journey for each client. She has kept the needs of CAP before us and given us opportunities to serve. We honour her and thank her for her hard work. We also thank Joan Gledhill, who joined the team as a voluntary, part-time Debt Coach over the last year.

Please continue to pray for our clients still working to become debt free, and for Nicola and Joan as they move onto new things. Let's also be asking God about how He would have us continue to live out the challenge to be good news to the poor and bring freedom to those around us.

### Blessings, Paula



**E-Camp** – Three of our Matrix Youth attended E-Camp at Lake Karapiro over Easter with a group from Alive Church.

Thanks so much to Debbie Viljoen for being camp Mum they had a blast!

**<u>Missing</u>** – There are three long cream tablecloths with green edging, missing from the church kitchen. If you have been kind enough to do some washing for us, could you please check that you have returned them.



**End Of Year Giving Receipts** – We will be endeavouring to get your end of year giving receipts out to you by the end of April. These will be getting emailed to you, so if you would rather have a printed copy could you please let the office know.

