

Dates to Remember ...	
Today	Te Hahi Combined Service
13 th Aug	Alpha Course
17 th Aug	PPP Night
23 rd Aug	12 hour Prayer for the City
24 th Aug	Joy's 80 th birthday a/noon tea
18 th Sep	Annual General Meeting
Sep/Oct	Pakihi Trail Bike ride



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

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

Tuesday 'Prayer For the Nation'-11am–12noon in Church prayer room. For more info contact Janet Burgess.

Tuesday Bible Study – Currently meeting at 1.30pm in the Church House Lounge for a study of Revelation with Frank Darcy. For more info contact Maureen Wilson or Judy McLatchie.

Wednesday 'Mens Breakfast'- Meets at 6:45am - 7:50am in the Church house lounge. For more info contact Paul Cosson.

Friday 'Revival Prayer'– every Friday evening 6:30pm-7:30pm at Joy McHardy's home.

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.



Friday 16th August – "Alpha & Matthew 25 Challenge"

7pm at the Church. Bring \$3.

See the YG Facebook page or contact Tirzah for more details.



	Today	Next Sunday 18 th August
Greeters	A Clement, L McAra	M Wilson, <i>Volunteer</i>
Explorers Crèche	N Hawkins	M Shnuriger
Matrix	P & D Viljoen	L Smoker
Ministry Team	A Clement	J Newman
Cups of Tea	B & A Hall, D Benson	N & C Coffey, A Alder
Flowers	D Dobbie	A Lewis
AV & Sound	R Nelson / A & J Russell	J Russell / P Walker
Counters	D Welch	A McLean



Sunday 11th August 2019

10am: "Matthew 25: The Challenge begins ..."

**Leading: Sal Clement Preaching: Paula Levy
Duty Elder: Llew Paul**

**No Evening Fellowship tonight – Te Hahi Service instead
5.30pm at House of Breakthrough**

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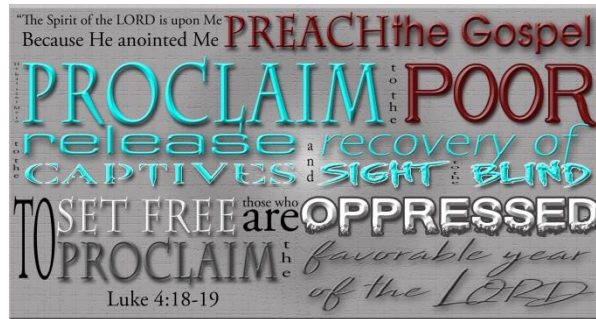
*'Explorers' creche is operating and available for 1-4 years.
'Kidzspace' Primary age children go out at message time.
'Matrix' Intermediates are to go out during message time.*

Paula writes....

Being a Jesus follower is not easy. Daily we are called to be faithful and live in a way that, at times, goes against the culture and beliefs around us. We make decisions and choices (some seen – others that no one else sees) that are our decisions to honour God and follow Jesus. It could be a choice to leave our anger behind and forgive, a choice to give generously even though it costs us, a choice to serve someone when we would rather do something for ourselves. It could be career choices that value service over financial security. It could be time choices, relationship choices, lifestyle choices. Jesus said some pretty radical things about caring for the poor and the comprehensiveness of our good news message.

In Luke's gospel Jesus stands up to read in the temple and picks out a particular prophetic word from Isaiah....

'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, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'



As Jesus' followers this is our mandate also. This week we invite those of you who would like to and are able, to take on the "Matthew 25 Challenge". Each day there is a particular activity/challenge and we also watch the story of a person in the developing world and the particular situations they face. I invite you to participate in as much as you are able.

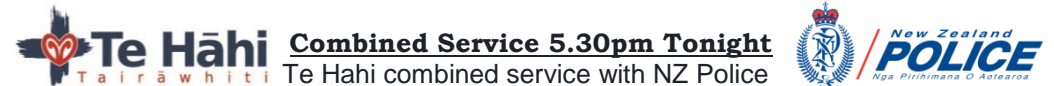
As we know, loving the poor and proclaiming good news is something we need right here in our community and city. This week I was privileged to go to a Pastors Day run by CAP (Christians Against Poverty) and it was so encouraging to hear of CAP ministries all around NZ supporting individuals and families in financial strife to gain freedom, and in some of the other CAP areas - providing support with life skills, work skills and addiction support.

Christian leaders in our city are working together, particularly through Te Hahi, but also in other ways to bring hope and life to our city. As part of this there is not only the Combined Te Hahi service this weekend, but also a whole night of prayer coming up to pray for our city. Mangapapa Church is responsible in particular for the 3am–5am slot !!! 😊 But you are welcome to join at any time. There is also an

opportunity to pray for our city every Wednesday from 10.30am–11.30am. These prayer gatherings are being hosted at the AOG Church on Grey Street.

Thank you to those who prayed for us as a Leadership Team as we spent time on a retreat yesterday. Please continue also to pray for our Alpha Course on Tuesday nights.

Blessings, Paula



Commander Sam Aberahama. At House of Breakthrough. Guest speaker is Letitia Shelton from Toowoomba, Australia. All welcome, but **please note that some of the content may not be suitable for children under 15 years**. Please bring a plate to share.

Back by popular demand! ...

'PPP Night' – 5pm-7.30pm, Saturday 17th August

'Popcorn, Pictures and Pizza'!! A Kidzspace and Explorers Fun Family Event. \$5 per person or \$25 per family. **Save this date!**



Praying for the City!

12 Hour Prayer Meeting - All the churches are meeting together at Assembly of God Church for a 12 hour prayer meeting from 7pm – 7am on Friday 23rd August, to pray for our city. Mangapapa Church is responsible for the 3am-5am time slot!

Prayer for the City – Is happening every Wednesday from 10.30am-11.30am at Assembly of God. All are welcome to join in.

80th Birthday Afternoon Tea

Please come and celebrate **Joy McHardy's 80th Birthday** at 2:30pm on **Saturday 24th August** in the church lounge. Everyone is welcome. No gifts, but please bring a plate to contribute to the afternoon tea. Elaine Oates and Erin Holwill are hosting and have organised a large card for all to sign.



Ministry Reports for AGM – A reminder for all Ministry leaders to please prepare their annual report for the AGM and send it through to the office by **Monday 2nd September**. The AGM will be on **Wednesday 18th September**.



I'm thankful to have some new people to help this term! Recently I've met a lady who is keen to come to church but does not have transport. She lives very close to church, in Winter St. If you are willing to transport her could you please speak with me. Thanks, Nicola.