

Sunday 31st May 2020



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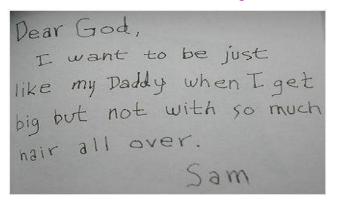
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For Emergencies or pastoral issues, please contact Paula.



- **1.** Sunday Services Will be commencing on Sunday 7th June. The kitchen will be unavailable and there will be no morning tea after the services. There are limited toilets due to repairs currently underway.
- **2.** The Office The office is open from 9am-12noon Monday to Friday and you can now ring on the office phone. Messages will be getting checked. Visitors to the office will be required to ahere to Covid-19 safety regulations, ie sanitsing, signing in/out, social distancing etc.
- **3. Prayer Chain** Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can still be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.
- 4. New Study Group A group is beginning for the purpose of "Hearing God through our Dreams". We will use a resource, of this title, written by Mark & Patti Virkler. This group will meet Thursdays at 1pm, every fortnight. If interested please contact Nicola on nicandbruce@yahoo.com or phone 863 2580 / 022 131 9171.
- **5.** <u>Tuesday Bible Study Group</u> Will recommence again at 1.30pm next Tuesday 2nd June, in the Church House lounge.
- **6. YOUTH GROUP** Will be recommencing on Friday 5th June with a 40 Hour Famine themed night. Meet 6.30pm at the Church. You don't have to be doing the famine to be involved.





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.

Paula writes...

Not long now until we will be able to meet back together. We are working towards services staring on 7th June. We are planning two services: at 9am and 10:30am. Kids programmes will happen during the second one. We are finalising details and will send these out next week, but at least we have something to look forward to.



In the meantime, this Sunday is

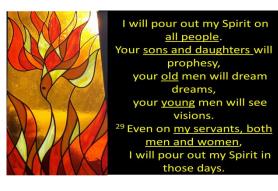
Pentecost Sunday, the day when the Holy Spirt came in power on the disciples and believers, which we also think of as the birth of the church and the launching on the believers into mission. This story is recorded in Acts chapter two as a fulfilment of these promises of Jesus:

"Jesus commanded them, do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised. John baptised with water, but in just a few days you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit ... But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere..." (Acts 1:5,6,8 NLT)

The Holy Spirit is a beautiful and powerful part of who God is. We need Him in our life to change and empower us to become who God created us to be, and through His power we have help in all situations. Without Him, we are powerless.

The Holy Spirit:

- Helps us
- Comforts us
- Changes us to be more like Jesus
- · Gives us gifts
- Pours love into our hearts
- Teaches us
- Empowers us for mission
- Helps us pray



My prayer for you all this Sunday is this:

That that the God of Power fill each of you again, just as at the day of Pentecost, and that the burning fire of His Holy Spirit refine and renew you, filling you with love, courage, strength and hope. That the Spirit change you more and more into His likeness and cause you to move in the power of the Spirit so that your lives and ministries be filled with supernatural wisdom, compassion and authority.



To *Frank Darcy* who turned celebrated his 80th birthday on Saturday 30th May...



and

To **Jesse Russell** who celebrated 18^{th} on the same day!









Family Movie & Pizza Night

At: Mangapapa Church
On: Saturday 20th June
At: 5pm – 7.30pm

Entry: \$5 per person or \$20 a Family







World Vision 40 Hour Famine | 5-7 June 2020



Join the fight against hunger and injustice in Malawi with the World Vision 40 Hour Famine.

Over the last few years, climate change has caused extreme weather events in Malawi. Destructive cyclones, droughts and floods that are unseasonal, unpredictable and devastating have left children and families hungry.

Our climate is changing, and our everyday actions make a difference in the world we live in. Join the fight against hunger and injustice with the World Vision 40 Hour Famine, and support families in Malawi to adapt to and survive the changing climate.

Fundraising Challenge

Dance to 40 songs in 40 hours? Do 40 good deeds around your home?

The World Vision 40 Hour Famine is New Zealand's largest youth fundraising event. Every year, hundreds of thousands of young Kiwis have taken a stand through a 40 Hour Challenge to raise money and bring hope to thousands of children living in poverty in more than 40 countries.

Can we count on you?



Your fundraising challenge could be to spend 40 hours going without something you rely on - like motorised transport, electricity or food. Or this year you could do it in a way that also sends a message that we must - together - act to better care for our beautiful shared planet. Whatever you decide to do, it all starts with getting your friends together, asking people to sponsor you, and getting active.

Choose your challenge, start fundraising and join the fight against hunger and injustice in Malawi.

Check out our resources for more challenge and fundraising ideas!

https://www.worldvision.org.nz/connect/40-hour-famine/



In just four months, we will be voting on whether New Zealand should legalise euthanasia / assisted suicide, and FIRST | legalise cannabis for recreational use. As with COVID-19, these two decisions will greatly impact our society.

Family First have prepared some resources to help families as they prepare to debate and to vote on these issues. They can be found at the following links:

- 1. 20 Reasons to Vote NO to Euthanasia in 2020 www.protect.org.nz
- 2. 20 Reasons to Vote NO to Cannabis in 2020 and Analysis of the Cannabis Legalisation and Control Bill – www.saynopetodope.nz
- 3. Fatal Flaws in the Abortion Legislation Act 2020 A 2-page summary of what our new abortion law looks like - www.chooselife.org.nz/lovethemboth/

Foodbank

On Tuesday we sent out a request for items for the foodbank, as our stocks were guite low. We were so encouraged by the response, as next day many of you dropped in with food items. Thank you so much church family ... you are AMAZING!!

On that note... we would also like to say a **HUGE** THANK YOU to Marilyn Patrick who has been looking after and shopping for the foodbank for many years now. Marilyn has decided to step down from this role and we will sorely miss her. Thank you so much Marilyn, for your dedication and commitment over these years. We have really appreciated you.

If you have an interest in the Foodbank and would be keen to take over shopping for it - which is done when stocks get low - please contact Paula or the office.



"Why didn't Noah go fishing? 'Cos he only had two



SUPPORT THE SALVOS BY WATCHING A MOVIE



The Salvos have done it tough this time round - no door-knocking allowed! But they have created a "digital door-knock" - genius! - and they've also come up with wild ways to get their message out there, like partnering with Movies Change People!

Every Single and Family Pass purchased contributes to The Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal!



From The New Your Times bestseller comes an inspirational true story of friendship, family and forgiveness. Successful art dealer Ron Hall (Greg Kinnear) and his wife Debbie (Renée Zellweger) seemingly have the perfect life. But when their faith and family are tested, an unlikely bond with a homeless drifter (Djimon Hounsou) leads them on a remarkable journey that forges an everlasting friendship. Same Kind of Different As Me shows how a simple act of kindness can change everything.

To purchase your ticket go to:

https://premieres.movieschangepeople.com/films/same-kind-of-different-as-me

(Use the code **EARLY BIRD25** at the checkout for a 25% earlybird discount)



Part-Time Office Administrator

We are looking for a organised team player that supports our Christian philosophy. Excellent computer and interpersonal skills are essential. Knowledge of XERO, APTS and ECE regulations an advantage but not a requirement.

Hours of work will be mornings for 15 to 20 hours a week.

We are a community based Pre-school catering for 30 children aged 2 to 5 years old, in the heart of Kaiti. We are committed to our Christian Philosophy. We have a strong team environment and believe that each member's contribution is crucial to the centre's success.

Please send your CV, a covering letter and any further queries to:

kingdomkidstrust@outlook.com



"Who was the shortest guy in the Bible?

Knee high Miah!"