

Dates to Remember ...	
6 th Aug	Alpha Course
10 th Aug	'Women: Transform Agents'
10 th Aug	Leadership team retreat
11 th Aug	Te Hahi Combined Service
17 th Aug	PPP Night
24 th Aug	Joy's 80 th birthday a/noon tea
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 9th August – "Picture That!"

7pm at the Church. Bring \$3.

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



	Today	Next Sunday 11 th August
Greeters	B & A Hall	A Clement, L McAra
Explorers Crèche	A Lawton	N Hawkins
Matrix	L Hindle	P & D Viljoen
Ministry Team	J McHardy	A Clement
Cups of Tea	N Aston, D Benson, M Smith	B & A Hall, D Benson
Flowers	D Dobbie	D Dobbie
AV & Sound	J Russell / D Russell	R Nelson / A & J Russell
Counters	D Welch	D Welch



Sunday 4th August 2019

10am: "Keep On Growing!"

Colossians 2:1-15

With Shared Communion

Leading: Neil Smoker Preaching: Paula Levy
Duty Elder: Paula Levy

6.30pm Evening Fellowship tonight

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Elders Team

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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....

Alpha made a good start last Tuesday night with our first evening building relationships, introducing the course, and starting to ask some of life's bigger questions. There is room for more people so if you know of someone you can invite, who is interested in looking at a Christian perspective on why we are here in a relaxed and non-threatening way – please do. The course is also of value to those who want to go over foundations of faith, so let me know if this is you and you would like to join. Tuesdays at 7pm.

Our Youth are also continuing their version of Alpha, and met to do this on Friday night. There are some changes in our Youth Ministry ahead as Tirzah has decided to step down from her paid role from the end of this term. Please pray for the Leadership team as they consider a way forward and for our Youth Ministry. After this has happened, we will invite all parents and those with a heart for our teenage youth to gather for a meal and to work through this further.

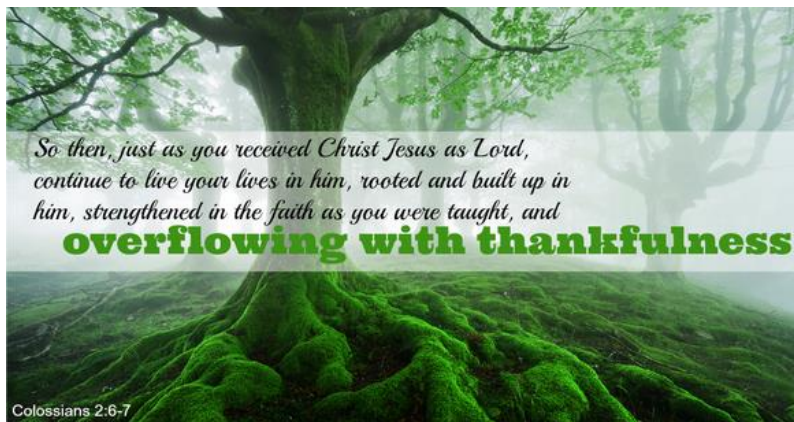
Next Saturday the church Leadership team have a retreat to pray, listen to God and discern how God is leading us. Please pray for us as we meet.

Next Sunday we also would like to invite as many of you as would like to, to again take part in the Matthew 25 Challenge we did last year. This is an annual event and has come around quickly! This is a week when we take on a challenge each day and watch a story of a person in the developing world and the challenges they face, so that our hearts are kept soft toward those in need. We invite you to participate in as much as you are able.

Today we continue to look at Paul's letter to the Colossians, which Frank started for us last week. I wonder what sort of tree you are? How are your roots? Are they strongly in Jesus Christ as the foundation and source of all you do? And as a result, how are your branches and leaves looking? My kids still love growth charts – as they are still getting taller!! After a certain point we don't keep getting taller, but a healthy tree matures and bears fruit. How is your tree looking?

My prayer is that although we are all different kinds of trees at different stages, we would all be growing healthy roots and bearing fruit in many and varied ways.

**Blessings,
Paula**



“Women: Transform Agents” – Next Saturday, 10th August, AOG Church is hosting a seminar for women, designed to positively impact the lives of women by bringing the Gospel to shine its light on the pain of a city. Guest speaker is Letitia Shelton. Registration details are on the back noticeboard.



Combined Service

5.30pm Sunday 11th August

Te Hahi combined service with NZ



Police Commander Sam Aberahama. At House of Breakthrough. Guest speaker is Letitia Shelton from Toowoomba, Australia. All welcome. Please bring a plate to share.

The Matthew 25 Challenge!

Are you brave enough to do it this year?!
Only one week to go. Details next week.



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!!**



Congratulations to Brian and Donna Lougher – on the birth of their grandson. *Alaric Geoffrey Brian Hunt* was born 5.9lb, to Chloe and Josh on 24th July. Thanks to God for a real miracle! Mum and Dad doing well – Nan and Pop surviving! 😊

John Paton – has gone back to work at Ruel Orphanage in the Philippines for 7 weeks. Please pray for his continued health and safety.

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.



It's good to be back at work. I've had some wonderful feedback from CAP people who came to the Midwinter Christmas Dinner. Please continue to pray for more new clients, for clients currently collecting paperwork, and for those living on budgets. This week I took a budget to a person. Please pray God helps her to adjust to living differently and managing her money better. Nicola.