

Dates to Remember	
Tuesdays	6.30pm Interchurch Volleyball
Thursdays	Te Hahi Combined Churches Prayer - 7am AOG Church
Tues 4 th	Church Prayer at 7 pm
May	



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 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.

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

Women's 'Growth Group' – Taking a break over the school holidays. Next meeting will be 1pm on Thursday 6th May, 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.

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 2 nd May
Greeters	B & A Hall	J Phin / M Wilson
Explorers Crèche	School Hols / Parents	School Hols / Parents
Matrix	School Hols	School Holidays
Ministry Team	J Newman	J McHardy
Cups of Tea	B Corlett, J Dyas, M Smith	A Alder, M Freeman, W Carstens
Flowers	G Sharp	G Sharp
AV & Sound	R Nelson / P Cosson	D Russell / R Levy
Counters	A Radcliffe	A Radcliffe



Sunday 25th April 2021

10am: 'Sarah'

Genesis 17:15

Leading: Rachal McIntyre

Preaching: Alan Radcliffe

Duty Elder: Al Clement

Church Leader: Paula Levy **Office** 06 867-9604 **Cell** 021 140-4667
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Elders Team

Andrew Russell: 027 815-1635 Rodney Judd 06 863-2400 Llew Paul: 022 052 8297

Children will go out at message time for activities

Paula writes...

As mentioned last week, the Elders are putting forward AL Clements to be considered for Eldership and there will be a congregational vote on Sunday the 9th of May, in a short meeting straight after the service. Al has written a brief introduction below. Here is also part of a document we have describing what we look for in elders at Mangapapa:

Elders are to be chosen based on their character and maturity in Christ. They can be nominated by any member, but the current Elders take time to discern those whose names to put forward. The person is given time to consider whether they are willing and available to put their name forward for Eldership and whether they believe this is something God is calling them to. They are also able to take time to consider whether they believe they fit the qualifications for Eldership. If they agree, their names are taken to the congregation to consider. After a couple of weeks, a congregational vote is required.

Key attributes and skills:

- Passion for Jesus
- Passion for those who don't yet know Him.
- Spiritual maturity
- Able to keep confidential information
- Able to discern sound doctrine
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Team player
- Humility
- Conflict-resolution skill



Let's be prayerfully considering this matter and praying for our church as a whole. Tuesday May 4 we will be having a whole church prayer gathering. Put it in your diaries now 😊

Blessings, Paula



Al Clements writes ...

For those who do not know me, I would like to give you a brief introduction. I am 65 years old, and I came to Gisborne in 1978. Met and married Sal in 1986. We have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. I have been working as a gardener for most of my life. When I was 40 years old, God the Spirit called, spoke, touched my life and I was born anew. Jesus invited me into His life as His friend. Through many ups and downs I still stumble on the journey with Him. I first came to Mangapapa Church in 2001. Had a couple of years in the wilderness. Come back in God's grace and love. Been here ever since. I am deeply committed to Jesus and His body, the church. I have a heart to see people's lives transformed by the love and truth of Jesus and believe Jesus sets people free. I long to see healing and restoration in people's lives.



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.

Girls Nite at House of Breakthrough Church

With Pastor Debbie McDowell from Tauranga City Elim, will be sharing about "guarding our hearts". There will be gift giveaways, as well as supper afterwards.

DATE: Friday 30th April

COST: Koha

TIME: 7.30 pm

REGISTRATION: Text to 027 438 5576

Notice on back bulletin board for more information.



Update Of Church Directory - We are at present looking to update our Directory. If you have changes to your details could you please let the office know, or if you are not in the 2020 one and would like to be in the 2021 one, please hand in your details and see Marilyn Patrick for a photo. Thank you.