

**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.

**Wednesday, 'Mens Breakfast'**- meets every Wednesday morning 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.



**FOODBANK**...Thank you for your faithful giving to this ministry. Last week 7 food parcels were issued – 2 to local agencies and 5 to families at Police request during our Te Hahi on-call week. Our foodbank is reasonably well stocked, however we would greatly appreciate help with the

following items: **cereal, canned fruit or veges, rice, flour, sugar, adult toothbrushes, dishwashing liquid, laundry powder and rubbish bags or stickers.**



Te Hahi Combined Service here at Mangapapa Church!!

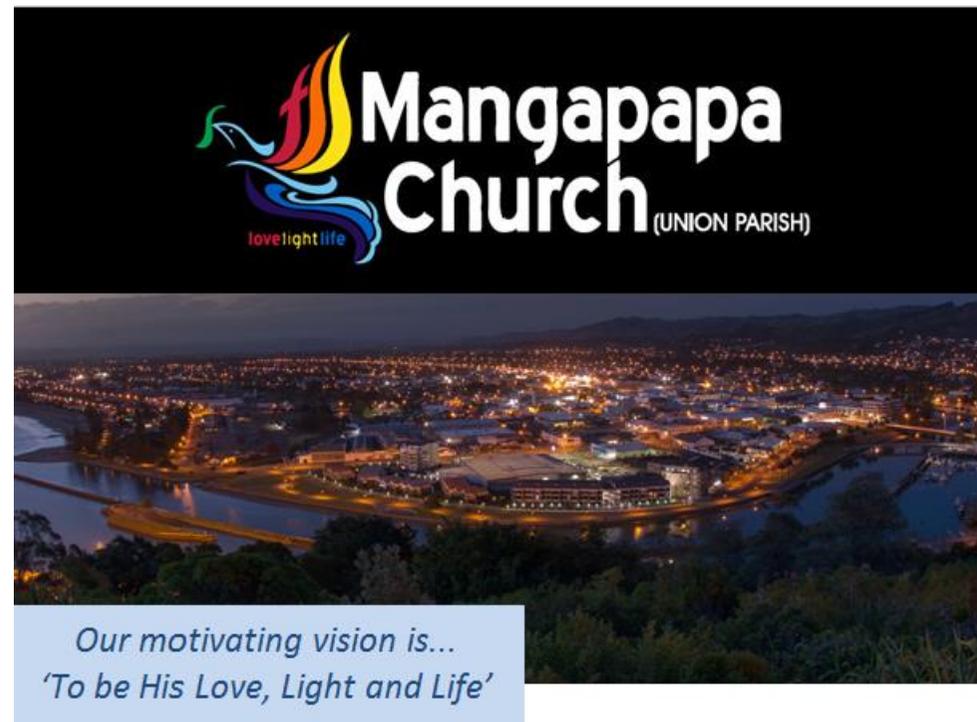
**Sunday 18 November @ 4:30pm,**

We need helpers to set up, staff the kitchen, and generally offer hospitality to our wider church community. Please ring the church office if you can come and if you can help.



**CAPtion** – My present focus is promoting the CAP service, as I want people who need help to hear about us. If you would like to help by dropping pamphlets into letterboxes or door knocking with pamphlets then please contact Nicola on 02040725386/863 2580 or email [nicola.hawkins@capnz.org](mailto:nicola.hawkins@capnz.org).

	Today	Next Sunday 28 October
<b>Greeters</b>	J & L Hawkesworth	N Hawkins, A Clement
<b>Explorers crèche</b>	M Patrick	<i>Volunteer</i>
<b>Matrix</b>	Matrix Stay In	S van Wyk
<b>Ministry Team</b>	E Oates	J McHardy
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	J Dyas & B Corlett, W Carstens	A & D McLean, D Benson
<b>Flowers</b>	A Lewis	A Lewis
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	EXCEL Tour Team	D Russell, P Cosson
<b>Counters</b>	N Coffey	N Coffey



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

**Sunday 21st October 2018**

**10am: "#Blessed"**

**2018 EXCEL Performing Arts Tour Team**

**Duty Elder: Andrew Russell**

**6:30pm - Evening Fellowship Gathering**

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**Elders Team**

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

'Explorers' creche is operating and available for 1-4 years.  
'Kidzspace' Primary age children and 'Matrix' Intermediates remain in auditorium for duration of this morning's service.

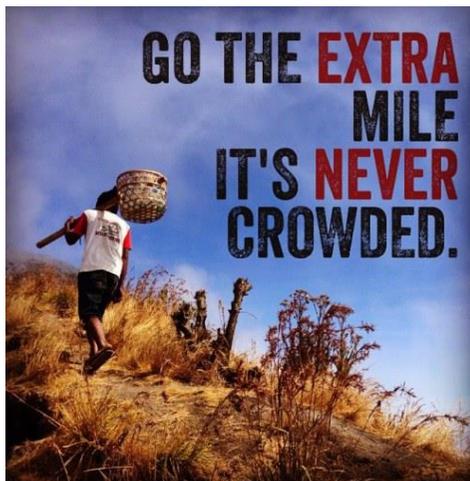
**Paula writes...** A special welcome to the Excel team this morning (and any visitors here to see them). This team lead a full-on life, travelling the country, sharing a message of hope through music, drama and dance. Enjoy them, listen to their message and pray for them as they complete their tour year and begin to look at what comes next. Please stay and share lunch with them.

Next Saturday night is our 'Light Party' – a great family event being organised by Debbie and lots of helpers. Please take some invitations today and pass them on to families that may be keen to come – or bring someone with you. See Debbie if you are able to help in other ways.

Next Sunday – our Uganda team will be leading our service – so we can't wait to hear their stories and learnings. Again bring a friend who may be interested to hear what happens when a group of young people dare to travel to the other side of the world to learn and serve. Perhaps we could all wear out Uganda T-Shirts in support?? ☺

Last week Llew reminded us of a challenge before us – that as a church we have been Set-up to Step-up. I was particularly challenged around the concept of going the extra mile. We live in a context where we can be bombarded by messages of looking after self, buying the latest thing we deserve, making time for me, discovering who I am etc...

Although it is important to have a good self-understanding and to understand how God has gifted us – this is not for its own sake – but so that we can serve God and people the best we can. It is so much more meaningful and exciting to be part of something outside of ourselves. To give ourselves for others, for causes, for situations where the benefit is not for us. The road of following Jesus is a bit upside down like that: losing our life so we will gain it, dying to self, giving things away rather than storing them up and not just repaying a kind action when it is given – but being kind, generous loving when there may be nothing in return...



In fact in Matthew 5, when Jesus uses this phrase it is in the context of being badly treated; one translation says this:

*"And if someone takes unfair advantage of you, use the occasion to practice the servant life. No more tit-for-tat stuff. Live generously."*

I wonder in what way you could go the extra mile this week?  
Blessings,  
Paula

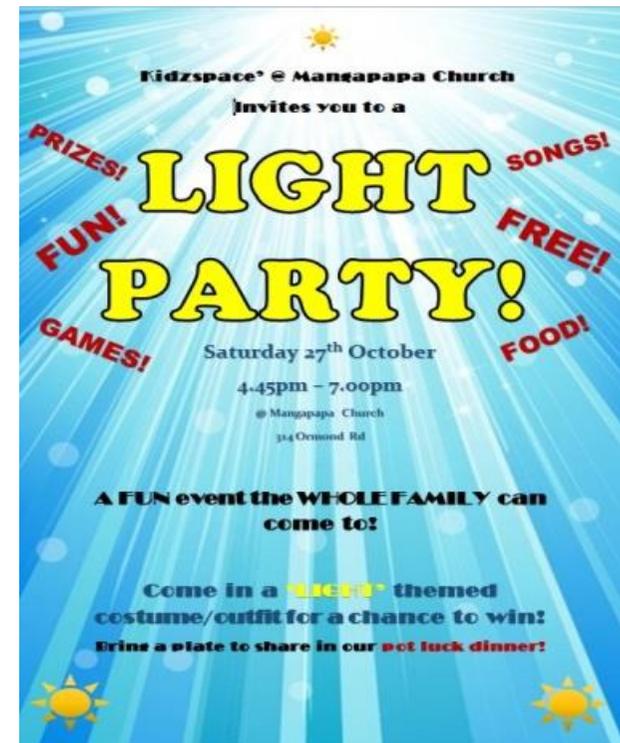
**For Prayer & Praise this week...**

- Peter Burrows was a vibrant member of our congregation for many years. Peter and his wife Pauline moved to Lower Hutt to be near family; he is greatly missed. Here is a photo of the Burrows family with the latest addition – their grandson Maximus.☺



**Coming Up.....**

✚ **Saturday 27 October 4:45 pm - 7 pm,**  
Family Kidzspace 'Light Party' here at Mangapapa Church



There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.