

**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. We are reasonably well stocked with most foodbank items, however would greatly appreciate help with the following: **flour, pasta sauce, UHT milk, rice, sugar, adult toothbrushes, soap, laundry powder and dishwashing liquid.**

**Focus on Servanthood:** Many thanks to Roger Levy who was seen water blasting and cleaning the windows of the church house recently. We are so grateful, and the church house is looking so much better for it!



**3 Bedroom rental accommodation sought** – If anyone hears of any 3 bedroom houses which may become available to rent from early October, Sepoima would appreciate you letting her know, as she has family moving to Gisborne from the 'garden city' in a couple of weeks' time. Thanks.

**Youth Group Small Group 'Prayer Course'**

**Session 4 of 6: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September 7pm – 8:15pm.**

'Learn about talking with God and praying for each other'

Youth Group Next Week:

**Friday 21 September 7pm - 9pm**

**Survival Night @ Church**

Check YG Facebook page for more details



	Today	Next Sunday 23 September
<b>Greeters</b>	H Hockey, D Whibley	L Frampton, L McAra
<b>Explorers crèche</b>	R Theobald	V Judd
<b>Matrix</b>	N Hawkins	V Robinson
<b>Ministry Team</b>	J Newman	E Oates
<b>Cups of Tea</b>	A & D McLean, M McHardy,	E & B Bowis, D Benson
<b>Flowers</b>	G Sharp	B Bowis
<b>AV &amp; Sound</b>	P Oram, P Cosson	R Nelson, P Walker
<b>Counters</b>	A McLean	A Radcliffe



**Sunday 16 September 2018**

**10am: "Mission Impossible"**

Luke 10:1-12

**Leading: Andrew Russell Preaching: Paula Levy**

**Duty Elder: Andrew Russell**

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

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**Elders Team**

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*'Explorers' creche is operating and available for 1-4 years.  
 'Kidzspace' Primary age children head out when directed.  
 'Matrix' Intermediates meet during the message time, over in the house*

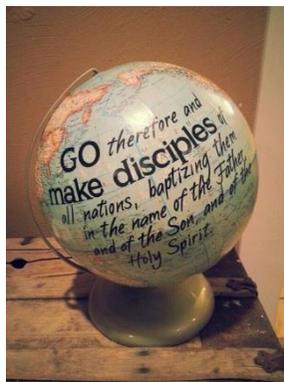
**Paula writes...** Thank you to all who attended our AGM on Wednesday night. It was good to thank God for all that has happened in and through us as a community over the past year. Our challenge now – is to continue to run the race well for the year (and years) ahead.

Our big excitement today is we are commissioning our Uganda Youth Mission team who head off this Thursday. After months of hard work, prayer and preparations – we bless them, commission them and commit ourselves to pray for them while they are gone; and can't wait to hear their stories when they return. Here's the team:

Sabine Lapointe  
Aiden Holland  
Tabea Walker  
Joel Walker  
Josiah, Caleb, and Matthew Ney  
Patrick and Kate Ney

3 prayer points from the team:

- safety and health
- great connections with the Ugandan youth that we will be working with for each of our youth
- hearts that are receptive to people and God.



Next week back here at Mangapapa, we will be having a testimony service, a chance to share how God has been active amongst us and through us. It would be great to have some testimonies of what God has been doing in your lives, or maybe how you have made some steps to reach out to those around you. Please let me know if you have something to share.

Today we take a break from the life of David to have a look at one of Jesus teachings on Mission, as our team prepares to go. Being a follower of Jesus by definition means we are sent ones. Jesus was sent to us on a mission of salvation and reconciliation bringing in the Kingdom of God in a new and powerful way. Jesus trained and sent first the 12 - then the 72 and then as His great commission – all those who follow him. We are all ambassadors, messengers of hope and healing, the hands and feet of Jesus to bring light, love and life to others. For some it means travelling large distances to do this, for others it might be exactly where you are, in your family, street and neighbourhood.

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.

May we take this commission and purpose seriously each day and live as sent ones, following in the steps of Jesus who said:

*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.*

### **Coming Up .....**

➤ **Testimonial Service 10am on Sunday 23 September**



## **2018 EXCEL Tour Team in Gisborne** **from night of Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

We are seeking billets for 7 of this year's EXCEL Performing Arts tour team, 5 girls and 2 boys, none of whom have any food allergies. Please contact Sepoima at the church office if you are keen to host one of the 7 team members.

The EXCEL team will be leading our 10am service on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, entitled "Blessed" 1 Peter 3:8-9

