

'Prayer Chain' – Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

'Confidential Healing Prayer 4 U' – In the Church House every Monday, 12:30pm to 1:30pm.

Tuesday, 'Prayer For the Nation' - 11am -12pm in the Church Prayer Room.

'Friday Revival Prayer'– Meets every Friday evening 6:30pm to 7:30pm at Joy McHardy's home (over the winter months). 266B Ormond Road. Enquiries to Stewart Patrick contact 0210470795.

FOODBANK. Thank you for your faithful giving to this ministry. We have a large supply of breakfast cereals, tinned fruit, tea bags and toilet paper, however **we would love help with the following items:** UHT or powdered milk, jams and spreads, flour, canned tomatoes, veges & spaghetti, pasta sauce, tinned fish, toothpaste, laundry washing powder and black rubbish bags.



Focus on Servanthood – As today is Communion we acknowledge the work our communion stewards do in preparing this for us, Sharon & Philip.

Matrix (Intermediates) – We are looking for enthusiastic people with a desire to be part of a team roster to take Matrix on a Sunday morning. If we get four, then it will only be once a month. Please see Marilyn.

Y.G. Mission Trip Fundraiser – Tabea and Joel Walker are making these great 'Pallet Planters' to sell, to raise travel funds for their Y.G. Mission Trip in October next year. They require exterior paint for them, any colour, so if you have any old cans of paint lying around at home, they would love to have them! See Perry, Joel or Tabea Walker, p. 867 6522.



- **FOUND in church last week** – one silver earring. See in the MUP office if you have lost yours.
- **If you have a surplus of tithing envelopes you can return them to the Church office, as they can be reused, reissued with new numbers.**
- **Would you like to receive this Newsletter by email? then please let the Church office know, office@mup.org.nz**

	Today 1 st October 2017	Next Sunday 8 th October 2017
Greeters	D Whibley, V Hawkins	J & L Hawkesworth
Explorers crèche	N Hawkins	V Judd
Ministry Team	J Newman	P Burrows
Cups of Tea	S Tulia, P Oram, A Lawton	B & A Hall, W Carstens
Flowers	A Lewis	A Lewis
AV & Sound	Peter Oram, Gordon O'Neill	Rodney Nelson, Jackson Holland
Counters	S Patrick	D Welch

Mangapapa Church (UNION PARISH)

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

Sunday 1st October 2017

10am: 'A Mark of the Faithful' – "speaking to one another"
Pt 5 of 'Relationships' series
Shared Communion Today

Leading: Leigh McGurk
Duty Elder/Preacher: Stewart Patrick



6.30pm: 'This Changed Everything'
Reformation 500yrs series, Pts 3 & 4

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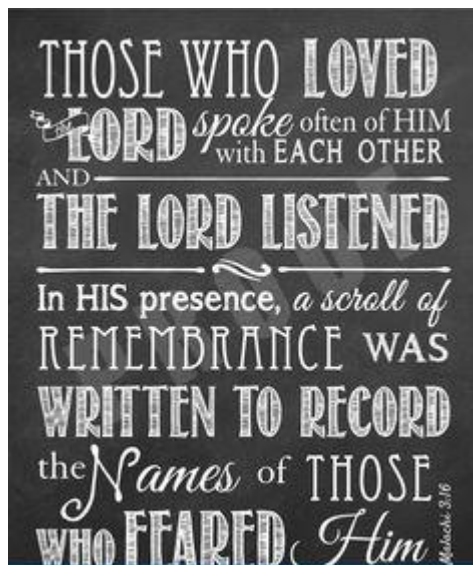
*'Explorers' crèche is operating and available for 1-4 yrs.
School Holidays - 'Kidzspace' Primary age children and 'Matrix'
Intermediates DVD in blue room while teaching on today*

Stewart writes... Today is the final in our series on 'Relationships' – the 'one another's' of Scripture. Our text today Malachi 3:16 (at right) is from the last of the Old Testament prophets, Malachi. There are precious, simple marks of the faithful here, and God's glorious promises flow toward them in verses 17 & 18. "...on the day when I act, they will be my own special treasure". Amen!

Now as a part of this series many of you have been participating in the **Connections' - '2's & 3's 'Cup-of-Coffee Testimony/Sharing Time'**



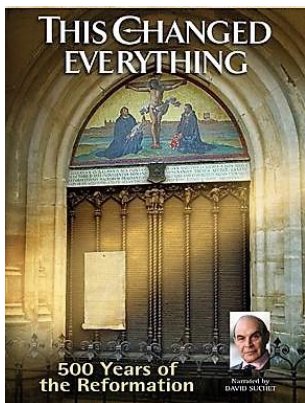
Today - Some of you will have opportunity to share briefly what you have gained from these 'Connections' times with one another over the past month. Thanks so much for participating.



Guest Preachers Coming up @ MUP –

- **10am Sunday 8 October - Maitland Manning** Chairman, 'Presbyterian Support NZ, Family Works NZ.' Along with Sylvie Gibbins.
- **10am Sunday 15 October – Ken Gartner** - Gospel Singer, author, Prison Ministry evangelist. Ken will also be on Turanga FM 91.7 8am that morning.

6:30pm Tonight – 'This Changed Everything' - Parts 3 & 4 of this new series celebrating The Reformation - 500yrs'



The year 2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation of the Christian Church, and 31 October marks the day 500 yrs ago when a little known Monk, pastor & University professor - Martin Luther, set it all off with his nailing to the Castle Church door in Wittenburg, his 95 theses. The end result of a tumultuous time, was the Church returning to the gospel;

Sola gratia, sola fide, solus Christus – 'Grace alone, faith alone, Christ alone.'

Come and enjoy over the next few weeks, this specially produced video presentation, discussion and study series.

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.

For Prayer & Praise this week:

- **A special 'Thank You - "To the very generous anonymous person who donated financial support for the Sista's Conference – I would like to say a heartfelt 'Thank-you'! The theme this year was "Dream" with the main message of remembering who we are in Christ. I was greatly blessed, along with the 4000-odd other women. Your help was invaluable! Love from Vinnette Robinson. Note: Vinnette has now had to leave urgently for Jamaica last Wednesday to be with her mother facing a major operation and look after her recovery. Remember her in prayer, and Charles and family back home here.**
- **A special 'Thank You - to the 'Parenting Small Group' parents, who gave generous gifts of appreciation to those who helped this group by having fun with the kids while mums and dads were attending the study series over terms 2 & 3 on Sunday nights.**



'Angel Tree Christmas' – We did not expect we could do the 'Angel Tree' present giving to children of parents in prison this Christmas. Rebecca Bushell retired from heading this up earlier this year. However, after our AGM earlier this month, a group expressed interest, so a special meeting was held on Wednesday night with the Lower North Island Coordinator of 'Angel Tree' Prison Ministry NZ. It is all go again, but we are ensuring it goes wider in the community and churches for greater support, and we are keeping it simple in regards the process. If you are interested in helping as a volunteer – wrapping presents, contacting others, delivering the presents to homes in early December – contact Sharon Craig or Raewyn Theobald, now.



A Farewell to Pete & Pauline Burrows next Sunday 8 October – Sadly we say farewell to Pete & Pauline, who are heading to Wellington to live and be close to family. Pete will share a few thoughts in the Service, and a special morning tea too. Next Sunday 10am.



MANGAPAPA CHURCH DIRECTORY If you would like your photo taken for the Church Directory, please see Sepoima or Marilyn today who would love to do this. New folk have come and many 'families' have grown up, so we would love to get up-to-date with the Directory, which is 'MUP Church'.

Nicola's CAPtion – Support friends please remember to see me today to pick up client invitations for the 'Slow Cooker Event'. The CAP Debt Centre will be closed over the school holidays and reopen 16th October. *Late news! A CAP Client could not afford to keep paying for her lawns to be mowed, and remain on her CAP budget. What to do when you don't own a mower, but as a tenant, you have to keep the lawns mown? Praise God, a church person came to Nicola and said, "You don't know of anyone who needs a mower do you?" "Well, actually I do!..."*

