



**A TRANSFORMING COMMUNITY
COMMITTED TO JESUS CHRIST**

Services
Sunday - 10.00am
(Wednesday—10.15am Service
in recess for school holidays)

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CORE VALUES
BIBLICAL TRUTH
MISSION
COMMUNITY
SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATE WORSHIP

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“If you make disciples, you always get the church. But if you make a church, you rarely get disciples.” - Mike Breen

As we returned from Easter Camp a couple of weeks ago, many of us found ourselves asking the question: ‘How do we be all in for Jesus in everyday life?’

It’s easy to say yes to Jesus during the highs of a camp or conference... but how do you keep saying yes to Him during the valleys and plains of normal existence? In short, how do we be a disciple of Jesus? This is the core question that as a community of youth and families we are interested in exploring, and living into, together in the coming weeks and months.

Please join us on this journey – through prayer, support and encouragement. One day our nice church buildings will crumble and fall, our great programmes will be replaced by new and improved ones, and our theological opinions will fade into insignificance; however the character of Christ formed in us, as we follow Him over a lifetime, will last forever. Therefore in all that we do as a church, may we prioritise the one mission we have been given by Jesus... to ‘make disciples’ (Matthew. 28:18-20).

Grace and peace

Mike Bloore
Assistant Pastor

R E V I V E—Sunday 2nd May—7pm –worship, ministry and prayer
(mainly music—Thursday 10am—30 minute pre-school educational music programme.—
in recess for school holidays)

Please note—our weekly Prayer Night is now -Wednesday evenings at 7 pm via Zoom.

[Zoom Prayer Meeting](#)

Focus—Leaders

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith . Hebrews 12:1-3

Strengthening Relationships

Do you desire to communicate better with your spouse? Are you stuck in destructive negative patterns of relating? Do you want change? Helen and Clint Dredge will be sharing their story of reconciliation at the next Revive Service on the 2nd of May –7pm.

Special Church Appeal —For Branca and Soraya
The Easter week of 2021 saw parts of East Timor devastated by severe flooding

Taupo Baptist Church has been supporting Kid's Ark and volunteer directors Branca and Soraya in East Timor for 17 years.

Forty minutes east of Dili is the village of Hera where Kid's Ark NGO volunteer directors Soraya Nepomuceno and Branca Lopes have been living and working for over 17 years. Their home has been struck with catastrophic flooding, reaching ceiling level in some parts, along with the NGO disability centre next door.

If you are able to help financially, you can donate to -

Taupo Baptist Church BNZ 020428 -0024978-00

OR Eftpos on Sunday at the Help Desk

OR specially marked envelopes available at the Help Desk

PRAYER

SUNDAY
9.30AM –9.45AM
AUDITORIUM

WEDNESDAY
7PM—7.40PM
BY ZOOM

WEDNESDAY
11.30AM-12 NOON
CRECHE

So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless. 1 Corinthians 15:58

Joining in Prayer -Every day at 11.45am—12 noon
Where we stop whatever we're doing for a time of united prayer.

**Administration
(Nga Mahi Tari)**

**Jacky Gartner Dale Boddy
Elsie Skelton Mary Rose Urgel
Karen Collins**

**Important information
about your tax receipts.**

At the Help Desk there is a list of your names.

Please check that the spelling of your name on that list is **exactly** the same as on your IRD documents.

If it is not same your rebate will be delayed until the IRD have been supplied with the correct names/s.

All receipts will be emailed unless you specifically request a printed copy.

26th - 2nd May

Sunday Oversight	Tim Coulter
Duty Elder	Dale Boddy
Cleaning	Jill Vennell's team
Powerpoint	Karen
Lawns	Godfrey Ellis
Sunday Cuppa	Karen & Stephen Fox
Door Greeters	Hugh & Roger
Help Desk	Lorna Chinn
Communion	Phillip & Aletta
Monday Meal Dessert (10/5)	Gartner's

**Community
(Te Iwi Whanui)**

**Managing The Risk
Making Taupo Baptist Church
a safe place.**

On Monday night, the Elders and Leadership team met with Jane Searle who is CEO of Child Matters.

(Child Matters upsills those working and interacting with children, young people and their families and whānau so they are able to identify risks concerning vulnerability and abuse and have the knowledge and confidence to take appropriate action)

Jane's previous work history is as a solicitor and 10 years in the NZ Police as a Detective in the Child Abuse Unit and a Fraud Investigator in the UK.

Jane is a Christian and is part of a church in Hamilton.

During our meeting with Jane, we were all alarmed at the reality of child abuse. 1 in 4 people in our society will have been a victim of abuse.

Jane's advice was for us to be vigilant! A church community is vulnerable and we make it an easy environment for offending, because want to trust and think the best of people. The reality is an offender may be grooming the whole church and their victim for maybe two years. They will exploit relationships. The reality is Taupo Baptist will be targeted.

**-If someone 'creeps' you out,
tell someone.**

-Develop a culture of asking questions.

As a result of this meeting, Taupo Baptist Church is developing a new strategy to identify and minimise the risk of abuse within the Taupo Baptist Church community.

Two actions to be implemented immediately are-

- Enlarging the scope of volunteers completing a Police Check.
- Access to the building for Monday's Community Meal guests will be from 4pm onwards. Before 4pm, access will be only for approved volunteers.

**Children
(Nga tamariki)
Tim Fletcher**

For a complete list of parenting resources including articles, videos and podcasts on

- Building Faith in kids
- Parenting
- Marriage
- Family

Visit the Parenting Ministry Page at www.taupobaptist.org.nz/

These are the resources sent out in previous church emails

**Youth
(Nga Rangatahi)
Mike Bloore**

Kingdom Youth 2021



Enjoy the Holiday Break whanau!
Kingdom Youth Gatherings kick off again on Wed 5 May.
Keep up with all the Info on Insta / FB @kingdomyouthtaupo

**Missions
Submitted by Dale Boddy**

As a Missions Team our focus is one of supporting long term missionaries.

However we also want to encourage short term missions.

Going on a short term mission blesses both the missionary and the people group that they go to.

Of course, with COVID this has been impossible

Now that borders are opening, particularly in the South Pacific region we are keen to encourage, pray for and help raise money for these trips to take place. We thought that we might be able to have a Youth Group go but this, should by no means, restrict anyone else who would like to go.

At this stage we have looked at both Fiji and Niue.

If anyone is interested please contact any one of our Mission Team

Merilyn Feickert, Lorna Chinn, Stephen Fox, Karen Fox, Angela Martinez-Prieto, Andres Martinez and Dale Boddy