



## A TRANSFORMING COMMUNITY COMMITTED TO JESUS CHRIST

Services  
Sunday - 10.00am  
Wednesday—10.15am

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**CORE VALUES**  
BIBLICAL TRUTH  
MISSION  
COMMUNITY  
SPIRITUAL  
DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATE  
WORSHIP

## 1 August 2021

### FORMED FOR GOD'S FAMILY

49% of those who completed our church survey stated that the thing that they enjoyed the most about attending TBC was "fellowship". This is a healthy and pleasing statistic. Genuine *fellowship is about sharing life at a deep level with others who love Jesus*. There are four levels of fellowship within God's family.

**The first level is Membership.** This involves finding a church family and choosing to belong to it. The church is Jesus' body: the bride of Christ.

**The Second level of Fellowship is "the friendship level."** God desires that we learn to share with other believers in our church family. We can share our experiences and learn from each other's mistakes. We're also to open our homes to each other. The Bible says, "Weep with those who weep and rejoice with those who rejoice." Sometimes there's a lot of laughter in a small group and on other occasions the tears flow. It depends on what is going on in each other's lives. The group meets together regularly to encourage each other.

**The third level of fellowship is "Partnership."** Partnership is realising that the family of God needs us and that we've got a contribution to make. In every family there are responsibilities and tasks. In God's family – we each have a part to play. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that "the whole Body is healthy and growing and full of love."

**The deepest level of fellowship is "Kinship."** Kinship is loving and treating believers like they're real family and standing with them through a crisis. Life is about relationships rather than accomplishments: about loving God and learning to love each other. People will be drawn to a church where they find genuine love and acceptance. People aren't looking for religion; they're looking for a family. They are not looking for doctrine; they are looking for love. Being a part of God's family is the greatest privilege we will ever be offered. God's family is a laboratory for learning to love. The church is where we learn to love real people. That's what God has put us on earth to do.

**Martin Armstrong—Senior Pastor**

**R E V I V E—Sunday 8 August—6.30pm-7.30pm—worship, ministry and prayer  
mainly music—Thursday 10am  
30 minute pre-school educational music programme**

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

## Zoom Prayer Meeting—Community— mainly music

“O righteous Father, the world doesn't know you, but I do; and these disciples know you sent me. I have revealed you to them, and I will continue to do so. Then your love for me will be in them, and I will be in them.” John 17:25



Lois Hockly is looking for a few more crooners for their Church Concert item. Lunch and practice at Lois' place on Sunday.

Give Lois a call  
020 41525057



**Church Concert**  
**Next Saturday 7 August!**  
**6.30pm**  
**This is going to be the best concert ever!**  
**Have you rehearsed your item?**

## PRAYER

SUNDAY  
9.30AM –9.45AM  
AUDITORIUM

WEDNESDAY  
7PM—7.40PM  
BY ZOOM

WEDNESDAY  
11.30AM-12 NOON  
CRECHE

Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see. Hebrews 11:1

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

## Community (Te Iwi Whanui)

31 August  
is the end of the financial year  
for Taupo Baptist and we have  
yet to meet our budgeted  
giving.

Any extra tithing would be  
greatly appreciated.  
Thank you

### East Timor

You may remember the  
devastating floods that hit East  
Timor just 3 months ago. They  
are rebuilding but its not easy  
and there is still a great deal to  
be done.

If you feel to help financially  
We will make sure they receive  
the funds.

Deposit to Taupo Baptist,  
put East Timor in the reference  
020428-0024978-00

Update—Mark Carey  
Thanks to God for His hand in the  
removal of Mark's kidneys. Mark is now  
home and on dialysis, 13kgs lighter.  
Transplant still in the future.  
Thanks for your prayers for the whole  
family.  
Love Jan

### The TEARFUND BIG QUIZ NIGHT is happening!

(This is a major nationwide fundraiser for  
TearFund. The money raised will go towards projects  
- Modern Slavery, Child Development, Farming &  
Enterprise and Disaster & Conflict – to help lift people  
out of poverty and transform lives).

**At St Pauls Union Church,  
Tamamutu St,  
Taupo 7pm Friday 20 August.**

Teams of 4-6 people -  
suggested Koha of \$10 per adult.  
Donations over \$5 are tax deductible.  
**Please register as individuals (not as a  
team)** on the link below

[TearFund Quiz night registration link](#)

When you register using the link, the ticket  
price will say \$0. When you receive your  
tickets by email there will be a link to pay  
your ticket price/donation  
OR pay by internet banking to St Pauls,  
reference Tear Fund Quiz.

Bank details are:

St Pauls Union Church General Account  
03 0430 0290044 00.

There will be no payment on the night.  
Refreshments – supper at half time.

**PS - last year's winning team was made up  
of 2 Anglicans & 2 Baptists, with a combined  
age of over 200 years. Surely someone can  
take them on!**

Contact Petra Corbett for any questions  
petracorbett@gmail.com.

### 2nd - 8th August

<b>Sunday Oversight</b>	Laurie & Heather B
<b>Duty Elder</b>	Laurie B
<b>Cleaning</b>	Maryanne Shorts Team
<b>Powerpoint</b>	Dale/Sam Fletcher
<b>Lawns (25/7-7/8)</b>	Godfrey Ellis
<b>Sunday Cuppa</b>	Kevin & Maryanne S
<b>Door Greeters</b>	Debra & Catherine
<b>Help Desk</b>	Lynn Yen
<b>Monday Dessert(9/8)</b>	Carey's Life Group
<b>Wednesday Cuppa (11/8)</b>	Lois H & Jeanette

**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/](http://www.taupobaptist.org.nz/)

These are the resources sent out in previous church emails

**Youth  
(Nga Rangatahi)  
Mike Bloore**



Youth Gatherings are Back On

Stay Tuned for All the Details!

**Missions  
Submitted by Lorna Chinn**

Maala & Evan Thomas -  
Messianic Church in Israel

Our big concern on the health front **that warrants your prayers** is the arrival of the 'delta variant' of Covid-19 that is highly contagious, makes people very sick.

Those of us in the upper age-bracket are once again having to be extra careful.

On a personal front, Maala and I have just completed a broad range of medical tests and are comforted by very positive results.

We are careful to keep a healthy lifestyle to counter our stressful vocation and high level of people contact.

**Nevertheless we would covet your prayers for us and for our pastoral colleagues, Lev and Ora.**

We all need a summer break and a change of scenery.