



**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**

6 December 2020

Therefore as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who are of the household of faith. Galatians 6:10

This year of COVID has brought many challenges to people all around the world. We here in New Zealand live with some of the inconveniences that it has brought like not being so free to travel and for some of us a different way of working. For others there has been the loss of our income, but we have been spared the constant threat of the disease to us and our loved ones, and the constant stress of not knowing what tomorrow may bring.

As a church we are supporting missionaries who have been significantly affected by this years events...some have had to be at home, others have lost their mission focus because of the restrictions of social distancing, many have lost income. All have been challenged by this year.

Yet through this, God is at work and I encourage you to check out what is happening.

Let's " do good to those in the faith " in this season. Perhaps you could send them a Christmas greeting to let them know they are thought of...email makes this so easy We need to encourage those doing the frontline work so they in turn can show those around them they have a God who cares for them.

In next weeks missions slot, we will put the Email addresses of our missionaries. Perhaps you could choose one or two to send a Christmas greeting to?

**Karen Fox
Missions Team**

R E V I V E—13th December (final for 2020)—7pm— worship, ministry and prayer- (meeting fortnightly)

The Well —Wednesday 16 December 2pm to 3pm.

mainly music—'shopping' Thursday 10 December-then in recess

This week's prayer focus—Sundays

Come, let's shout praises to GOD,
raise the roof for the Rock who saved us! Let's march into His
presence singing praises, lifting the rafters with our hymns! Psalm 95:1-2

Christmas Day Service—9.30am

CHURCH MEETING—SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SERVICE.

to consider an updated report prepared by the Building Committee
on planned improvements to the church building.

A recommendation to proceed with the planned improvements will
be put to members at the meeting, together with a budget of the
costs. Once the building improvements budget has been adopted, it
is intended to form a Funding Committee to assist with funding-related
matters. That Committee will report through to the Senior Pastor in the
same way the Building Committee does.



PRAYER

SUNDAY
9.30AM –9.45AM
AUDITORIUM

MONDAY
7PM—7.40PM

WEDNESDAY
11.15AM-11.45AM
CRECHE

The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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**

Have you made your decoration for the tree in the Café? Declaring your thanks to Jesus?

Thank You Jesus for the gift of laughter. Thank you for jokes we can share and laugh together.



Would you be available to help with cleaning for approximately an hour once every 6 weeks?

We have some gaps on our cleaning roster for our church.

We are flexible –this can be done on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

Please leave your name at the help desk or contact the office

Volunteers – Mon 7th Dec - Sun 13th Dec

Sunday Oversight	Dale Boddy
Elder on duty	
Cleaning	Hegley's team
Powerpoint	Christina
Lawns	Barry Lomas
Sunday Cuppa	Kevin & Maryanne Short
Door Greeters	Tim & Michelle Fletcher
Help Desk	Mary Quale
Wed Cuppa(9/12)	Allison R & Lois H

**Community
(Te Iwi Whanui)**

CAP Client Hampers.

We would like to bless our clients again this year with a Christmas Hamper. The hampers really make a difference to our clients and it's a great way to show our love and ongoing support to them.

We are in need of donations of food or cash.

Please contact Ann Harkness
02102623654

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Thank you
Clint Dredge
Taupo Debt Centre Manager.



**Congratulations
Olivia Moore
Tauhara College
Joint Dux 2020**



**Congratulations
Jaundre Pienaar
Tauhara College
Head Boy 2021**



**Christmas Day-Connection
Can we connect you?
There are invitations at the
Help Desk.**

Fill one out if you would like to be invited for Christmas lunch at someone's home or if you would love to be that host.

**Children
(Nga tamariki)
Tim Fletcher**

As we continue to disciple our children, we will find that their interest in spiritual things comes and goes in waves. We need to 'surf the waves' of their interests

Try this:

Ask your child, "if you had a million dollars to help people, what would you do with it and why?
This might give you an insight into what God is doing in their heart.

**Youth
(Nga Rangatahi)
Mike Bloore**



**This Week we're All Together
Wed 9 Dec 7pm at TBC**

Congrats Seniors on Finishing Exams - Well Done!

**End-of-Year Celebration on
Wed 16 December**

#DailyBread (John 6:35)

**Missions
Submitted by Lorna Chinn**

Evan & Maala Thomas – Israel

What joy to be writing to you from my desk at our Beit Asaph worship facility in Netanya, Israel. There were many days during the past 9 months when we wondered WHEN we would be able to travel home from NZ and be reunited with Sara and Beni and our beloved community...

Our sincere apologies to those of you who haven't heard from us for nearly a year. One of the huge downsides of being delayed in NZ was a major 'hiccup' in my computer system that blocked all access to our recipient lists. With the lockdowns and severe restrictions on our facilities here, nobody could help us sort out the problems until now. We can all agree it has been an incredible year with enormous challenges, personally and for our communities and nations.

Our original plan was to spend three months in NZ from mid-January to mid-April and then return to Israel to resume our ministry responsibilities. Then came Corona! When the borders closed and our flights were cancelled, we quickly had to make some choices, the first being to alter our perspective from, "We are 'stuck' in NZ" to, "**We have been 'repositioned' for a season.**"

The moment we saw it that way, the words we read from Psalm 37 took on a renewed relevance and our lives were full of favor, for which we are sincerely grateful.

(More news on Missions Board)