

MANUKAU CITY  
BAPTIST CHURCH

# ANNUAL REPORT



2017



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# i community n mission

**WE WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY OF MANUKAU AND THE WORLD**

## IN COMMUNITY:

We are an integral part of a faith community with God and the people of His church.

## ON MISSION:

We are absolutely passionate about living a life on mission that brings honour to God.

## TO BE AN EFFECTIVE CHURCH, WE NEED:

Passionate Spirituality  
Intentional Evangelism  
Loving Relationships  
Gift orientated Mission  
Inspiring Large groups  
Nurturing Small groups  
Empowering Leadership  
Functional Structures

### Isaiah 58:9-12 (Message Translation)

If you get rid of unfair practices, quit blaming victims, quit gossiping about other people's sins, if you are generous with the hungry and start giving yourselves to the down-and-out, your lives will begin to glow in the darkness, your shadowed lives will be bathed in sunlight.

I will always show you where to go. I'll give you a full life in the emptiest of places—firm muscles, strong bones. You'll be like a well-watered garden, a gurgling spring that never runs dry. You'll use the old rubble of past lives to build anew, rebuild the foundations from out of your past. You'll be known as those who can fix anything, restore old ruins, rebuild and renovate, make the community liveable again.

## STATISTICS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
30 JUNE 2017

# 24,040

**TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO CAME TO MANUKAU CITY BAPTIST SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES FOR THE YEAR**

# 20,710

**TOTAL ATTENDEES AT MORNING CHURCH**

# 3,330

**TOTAL ATTENDEES AT NIGHT CHURCH**

## AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCES

	MORNING CHURCH	NIGHT CHURCH
2011/12	320	86
2012/13	362	66
2013/14	384	73
2014/15	390	68
2015/16	392	76
2016/17	398	79



**WE REJOICE IN THE BAPTISM OF:**

Jack Edwards Caroline Peterson  
Caitlin Ellison Christine Sica  
Michelle Burdock Abbey Bennett  
Diane Finch Joel Chandra  
Tom Hall Kellie Nguyen  
Re-Ann Vaega Lincoln Nguyen  
Jarod Heley



**WE REJOICE IN THE MARRIAGE OF:**

Karli and Matt Cloonan  
Jared and Re-Ann Fraser  
Elisabeth and Vinesh Kumaran  
Lyn-Nirmala and Eric Pritham  
Leighton and Vera Spurdle  
Kellie and Lincoln Nguyen



**TOTAL MEMBERSHIP:**

356 PEOPLE

# PASTOR ALASTAIR

It's amazing what can happen in a year. And every year, our testimony should be: "The Lord has been with me this year." That phrase can equally be used in good years, or tough years. We need to search for and find God in both!

It has been a good year at church. For the past few years, the Elders have identified prayer as an area of potential growth for us as a church. A personal highlight for me has been seeing our prayer burns, more prayer meetings, more focused prayer meetings, increased development of our prayer chain, our new prayer room and people praying for each other after church and in the foyer and during the week. Prayer changes things!

Prayer has changed our Light Party! The last two years, at Night Church before the Light Party we have simply prayed. Last year at the Light Party, we saw an amazing storm swirl around our site, while we got a light shower. Then two weeks before this year's Light Party, we baptised an ex-gang member who first came to church at... a Light Party! This year, we set up a Church Enquiry gazebo and had 39 people sign up to do Alpha. Then the winner of the colouring competition came to church to receive his prize, his Mum made a commitment that week and was baptised the following Sunday! What a celebration!

This should inspire us! We need to be a church that prays well! We need to be a church that offers people the opportunity to become followers of Jesus and change their entire eternity! We will ONLY be a church like that if INDIVIDUALS pray and INDIVIDUALS tell people the good news about Jesus!

Another highlight this year was leading a short term mission team to the Philippines. We had an amazing time, did too much, yet God looked after us! Each step we felt like we had to seek God with what to do and how to do it. A team of 12 people aged 15-72 made for an interesting looking team, but it was an awesome team up for anything God sent our way!

We have had amazing stability as a staff. This changes as Pastor Garey steps into a new role. I have huge gratitude for all he has done. Garey is unbelievably unflappable – his rock stability has been invaluable to me personally! On behalf of the church, thank you for all you have done for us and we are glad that you will still be around! We are currently looking for a replacement for him. Suz is also currently in the process of potentially being appointed as a new pastor for us. At different times, God leads us into a season of change, and that will be us in the next few months. This can throw us... or we can look with a sense of excitement with what is ahead. Let's pray hard and see what God will do!

We have had some new ministries and initiatives start this year – Mainly Music as an example. I love that we have a "can do" attitude as a church to bring on new ministries. And I love how new ministries integrate into the life of the church. Mainly Music compliments Flavor Café which complements our Space young Mums program which complements our Sunday Morning programs. We always need to look for good pathways as people come into our community and good pathways to come to faith.

Next year, we need to continue to grow in the area of prayer, we need personal challenge in seeing people come to faith and we will be looking to develop our discipleship options to help people grow in their faith. We also want to continue to look at how we better reach our community with the good news of Jesus.

We, the church, are described as the "Bride" of Christ. A bride is never perfect, but she does everything she can to prepare for her groom coming. We aren't a perfect community – we are real! But we are on a mission and we need to be prepared for that in 2018.

You are an awesome church - continue to respond to God's call to action, service, love, commitment and care. Thank you to all who have served, given, shared and cared. How we care and respect each other says so much to a hurting world! A special thanks to our staff and ministry leaders – God has blessed us richly with amazing people.

God bless you and we look forward to serving with in 2018.



# PASTOR GAREY

## Greetings

This will be my final report as I step out of the role of pastor to follow a new calling from the Lord. As to be expected many have asked "why"? After a significant time of prayer we came to the place where we felt our calling was to focus in a more specialised role of counselling. This is not something that was expected as a result of the training that I have been doing but obviously in God's plan.

I wish to thank the many people over the last seventeen years that have made this role enjoyable and fruitful. We will not be leaving the church so we look forward to remaining in fellowship with you all.



## Older Adult Ministries

...or as we affectionately describe it "Youth Group for Seniors" has filled a vital need in our community meeting the social and spiritual needs of our older adults. This ministry has five components, each operating once a month. The first Friday of the month was "Come Walking" an opportunity to exercise and explore our local community. The second Friday was Chapel, a service of worship using traditional songs to meet the spiritual needs of this older generation. We have had a variety of speakers this year from mission organisations. The third Friday has been "Soul Talk" which has provided an opportunity to discuss matters of the heart from a Biblical perspective.

The fourth Friday is "Super Friday" and this event is designed to meet the fellowship needs of people. We have had a number of people turning up from the community to check us out and who end up staying. When there is a fifth Friday we hop in the church van and head out on an adventure, exploring new places. This is always a great time. We do all these things so people get to fellowship and hear the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## Church Care

We use the phrase "Church Care" instead of pastoral care because we think it more accurately reflects who is involved with the pastoral care – everyone! Everyone in church has the opportunity to provide the ministry of care to others. It is heartening to see the numbers of people that are involved in the lives of others providing support and care. This is particularly important when people are experiencing major illness or significant life events. Numbers of people have joined a roster so meals can be provided for the families experiencing difficult times. The reports back from families who have received such meals is gratitude and appreciation. They feel so loved and supported.

Two seminars were held during the year to train people in the art of caring for their friends. A training seminar was also held to equip our welcoming team to confidently carry out their duties.

## Men's Ministry

Throughout this year a group of men who completed the Man to Man course last year have been meeting monthly for breakfast as a way to offer one another support as they endeavour to put into practice what they learned last year.

We held a breakfast for all the men of the church early in the year and invited a number of our own men to share something of their faith journey.

Our Mens course this year was entitled "Conquer." The course was well attended and challenging to everyone. The reason we offer such courses is that we want to be a church that doesn't avoid the tough issues but that we address them head on and call our men to living out something great! There is a line in the Lion King Movie that says "You are more than what you have become" and that is true for most people that there is more in them and they just need the right encouragement to grow into their full potential.



## Connect Groups

For many years we called our home groups small groups, this year we started referring to them as connect groups. The reason for this was to use the name to reflect the purpose of these groups - connect to others and connect to God. Connect groups are thriving in the younger age groups of the church. They are an expected part of the activities they do from week to week. In the upper age groups those who attend a group really enjoy the opportunity they have to connect socially and spiritually. We have a good number of special interest groups, such as the Indian Fellowship, Pasifika, Maori, and even groups like Unicycle club do a great job of connecting people. They do an excellent job of including people in

the life of the church. The prayer groups that now meet monthly all do a wonderful job of connecting people to one another and the Lord too. The vision for connect groups is that they happen naturally, two or three meeting for support and encouragement. Sometimes this process needs help so if you think the Lord is calling you to start a group, please talk to any of the staff and they'll support you to get it happening!

## Food for Thought

This year again in conjunction with an organisation called Kiwi Harvest and NZMA a catering training organisation we have been able to provide frozen meals to families who were in need of some TLC. We also have a team of dedicated people who are willing to prepare and deliver fresh meals to families who have had babies and they have done a fantastic job. Many thanks to Megan Carter for her wonderful leadership skills to make this all happen and to her team of people willing to provide a meal and deliver them. These are small acts of kindness that go a long way to letting people know they are loved and supported. Thank you to all who help.

## Facilities Team, Welcome Team, Parking Team and Offering Team

Every Sunday morning there is a team of people who arrive early and leave late to make all experiences at church, smooth. They ensure the facilities are fit for use and when you are heading home they are staying to lock up. These behind the scene roles are like the grease in moving cogs, you soon notice when it's not there. This can be said of the team that count the offering each week, the team that helps park your car and the people who greet you at the door. If they weren't there, church would be a less friendly place. Say hi and thank them for their service next time you see them.

# PASTOR MARTY

God at Work! 2017 seems to have gone faster than I thought possible! It's great to look back and really see that God is moving amongst our young people and wider church. We have welcomed new faces this year and seen young people take bold and courageous steps in their Faith.

## GAP

On any given Wednesday night you might find 30-40 young people around church. We always want to try and push our young people to explore what it means to follow Jesus and how to grow their own Faith. Small groups are a really important part of our nights and we couldn't do Gap without our incredible volunteers. This year we ran the Youth Alpha course, which was superb for encouraging questions and conversation. We also spent time looking at specific grey areas in life (money, mental health, relationships and politics!) – things that are relevant for youth, but don't always get talked about in church circles. There have been some of the regular favourites like HUB nights and Gap Church too. We have had guest speakers and always have a great night. If you have high school aged young people in your house – this is a great place for them to be on a Wednesday night. Again we have also had a number of our young people get baptised this year and I always love these times as they share their journeys of how God is changing them.

## Easter Camp

Always a highlight - especially as we go as a part of The South Auckland Hub, along with Bridge Community Church, PACT/Papatoetoe Community Church, Papakura Wesleyan, Manurewa Baptist and Franklin Baptist. It is great for us to be part of a group of youth communities that each brings a different flavour to our combined group.

One of the highlights for me this year has been to see a young man who arrived from overseas, join our youth, but in no time has become settled, accepted and is now thriving in our youth community, thanks to the community of young people and the great input of our amazing leaders.

I have also been incredibly surprised as often on a Wednesday night, if you are here to pick up your 17 or 18 year old son, you almost have to drag them away as they are engaged in small group conversation, Bible discussion and prayer!! Who would have thought...

## GAP Band

We have just started a new initiative of musician mentorship with our young people and our existing music teams – so I am excited to see more of our young people using their giftings in this area in the very near future.

## Night Church

Again this Year Night Church seems to have shifted a gear; we are seeing God continue to work, speak into and change people. We have looked at a number of different series, and I love the excitement and energy that is present amongst young and old. The café teams are amazing and it really is the best place to be on a Sunday Evening!

## Papatoetoe High School

This year I again taught the Yr Choice Relationship classes at Papatoetoe High as well as doing the 1st XI Girls Football coaching with Gabby Frank. The response from both teachers and students is always so positive and reminds me of our need to be a good voice within the community. We also had Neda and Erin coaching the Girls 2nd XI Football team again this year.

## Where to next?

There is always a challenge to get alongside our young people and encourage them to grow. As a wider church we all have a role to play in that. One of the things we are looking at establishing is a youth committee that will help steer and give input into the things that we do as a youth group. We will also look to strengthen the crossover between our intermediates, high schoolers and young adults as well as the rest of the church. God has some exciting things in the pipeline for us!





# FAITH DEVELOPMENT

## IGNITE PRAYER MINISTRY

Our team consists of 15 committed members who are rostered each second Sunday. This team is available to pray for anyone who comes forward in response to the message on a Sunday morning or for any other reason.

We have had three new people join our team this year. Feel free to contact any of the church staff if you would like to get more involved in praying for others.

It is exciting to now be under the 'Ignite' umbrella which has united all the different prayer groups within the church. We meet once a term to share what is happening in our different groups, to encourage each other and (surprise!)...to pray together!

Some of our members pray through houses upon request and this has made a difference in the lives of the families in these homes. We also have prayed when requested for individuals who benefit from a longer time than is able to be given after a service.

Whether the answer to a prayer is immediate or takes a while, we know God hears prayer and answers according to His plan for his loved children.

We are not always given feedback after praying for someone and because this is

a confidential ministry, we are not able to share personal details in this report. However, some of the instances of prayer this year –

- A leg shorter than the other that God grew out to become the same length as the other.
- A shoulder that was similar to being frozen, but after prayer, movement became freer.
- A young woman was prayed for, who was suffering from depression and she reported feeling better the next week.
- A family came in off the street looking for something special in their lives and through prayer and encouragement their lives are completely changed.
- A young person who found it difficult to get to sleep at night, or if they did get to sleep, often the sleep was broken through the night. After praying with this person they have been sleeping much better every night since.
- Other instances covered such things as marriage difficulties, cultural issues and specific response to sermons.

Some of the team were also able to attend a day at the Alpha Weekend away and pray with several of the participants.

God is AMAZING. To Him be all the glory.

## SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

The big highlight this year has been the concentrated prayer month we had in September where we encouraged every person to be involved in at least one prayer meeting over the month. This drew a lot of people to come and pray and has meant our regular meeting now has more prayers coming to corporate prayer.

Our morning prayer is now more concentrated on the topic being preached on and the challenge that will be presented to each person. Each week, we meet before the service and read the Bible verses that will be read in church, pray for the things that will be talked about and pray for everyone who comes to church.

Again and again we see how our prayer allows God's Spirit to change lives and bring people closer to Him. Be encouraged that any time we spend in corporate prayer draws us closer to being where God wants us.

There are now three other prayer groups that meet on a Sunday morning with a specific focus. Before you arrive on Sunday, you have been prayed for. We would continue to challenge YOU to be one of the ones praying too – why not join a prayer meeting and go along at least once a month!

## LADIES FELLOWSHIP & BIBLE STUDY

It has been a joy spending time with my ladies each month. We love getting together and enjoying each other's company.

We have lost three ladies this year. Gwenda Hatton, Thelma St George and Marjory Faithful passed onto our Lord.

I have a great committee. Margaret Mackwood Smith helps after Ken has setup tables. She is very busy when I arrive putting out hymn books and setting the tables. Marj McLaren brings us a wonderful morning tea and Margaret brings scones – thank you both. Also thanks to Elizabeth for the birthday flowers. Thank you Sharon for coming all the way from Howick to play the piano. Our speakers have been our own Grace Adams and Doug Snook with his shells. We always find time for a good laugh together.

We have been studying the ladies of the Old Testament. We meet regularly on a Tuesday. Tuesday is a busy day at church, but we love seeing all the parents and children in the café. We are a smaller group but we have enjoyed the lessons. But I'm sad to say since I have been unwell for sometime, we have had to cancel Bible Study for the later part of this year. Thank you ladies for coming each fortnight.

God Bless you all.

**Heather Hughes**

## PRAYER CHAIN

### Facts and Figures

2017 saw the Prayer Chain's biggest change with a handover of the Prayer Chain Coordinator position, from Pamela Cammell to Sarah Axford. Pamela had oversight of the prayer chain for almost 5 years and felt it was the right time to pass it on. Sarah took on the role in July 2017 and has been overseeing it since this time. When the prayer chain was handed over in July there were 49 current members some decided it was time to step down from serving on the prayer chain team at this time, whilst new team members came on board.

Since this time, the team has seen considerable growth and with the focus on prayer in September and the launch of 'Ignite' ministries we welcomed a further 25 new people during September alone – excitingly both "young and old".

The Prayer Chain now consists of 66 people in total. When a prayer request is made, 37 people are contacted by email, 28 people are contacted by text (a few people choose both options) and 5 people are contacted by telephone. It is awesome to see people grasp the heart of this ministry – serving others in prayer, whilst growing in their relationship with our amazing Father.

### Prayer Requests

It's a real privilege to be contacted by people when they need prayer. The majority of prayer requests, currently come through people on the prayer chain itself and are relating to health needs of friends and family, or those they are connected with in their local neighbourhoods. However, we do get contact at times via the church office from people that are not part of the church but are living in the local community.

It is really exciting when the church is a beacon of light, when people are going through their darkest moments yet they feel able to make anonymous contact and specifically ask for prayer. In the last 3 months, overall as a team, we have received 2-3 requests each week on average. Most prayer requests currently come via email.

### Prayer Chain Newsletter

This initiative was started in July 2017, and has the goal of summarising the "month gone" (prayer requests and praise reports) and presenting specific requests for the "month ahead" in the life of the church. It currently goes out to the whole team on 1st of each month. Over time, it would be great to see this include people's stories of answers to prayer, and also why people feel called to pray and be part of the prayer chain ministry.

### Praise Reports

This is one of the most encouraging parts of this incredible ministry. Following are just some of the incredible comments/ feedback that we have received over the last 3 months:

"Baby came home yesterday and is doing really well. Please thank everyone for their prayers" – prayer requested for a friend's grandchild who was in NICU

"Please send my thank you out to the team. I had the best possible outcome" – Prayer requested by a lady who was experiencing significant pain and was due to have a medical appointment the following day.

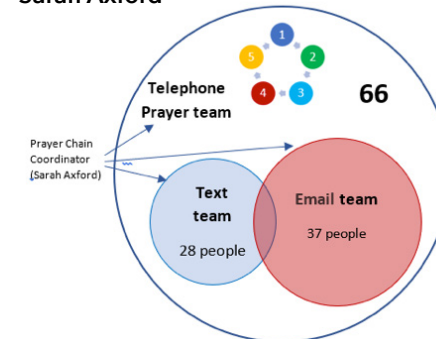
"Thank you all on the prayer chain for your prayers. Surgery went without complications and was successful. Cancer was caught early" – prayer request from a person with a recent cancer diagnosis.

"Thank you for making contact, the family are doing as well as can be expected and the husband is now up and about working in the yard, preparing for Diwali and chatting to neighbours. Thank you for praying for his whanau" – prayer requested for a neighbour who had been attacked.

### And what do we want to see for the Prayer Chain in 2018?

- To see the it used more widely, by people within the church and for it to be seen as a real power source within the church that can be accessed for a whole range of needs and in variety of ways (text, email, note, call etc.)
- For accessing the prayer chain to be part of people's toolbox when needing prayer, for themselves or for those within their community, and to see the value of taking a step to ask for prayer.
- To see an increase in praise reports as people feedback the outcome of their requests for prayer – to encourage those praying in their walk with God, but so that they can really focus on praying, with thanksgiving (Phillipians 4v6)
- To develop a sense of community within the prayer chain and the fact that each person has an important part to play in the team and is part of something bigger.

### Sarah Axford



## LIBRARY

We have completed another happy year in the work of the library, keeping resources up to date, culling those ones seldom borrowed, and buying new material as it comes to hand. Thank you to those who make suggestions. This certainly helps our range to stay diverse.

The library remains popular, with many people making use of it on Sunday morning, when our helpful librarians are on duty, as well as through the week when you can browse in solitude. A lot of library users are newcomers to our church and many families come so that their young children can take out picture books. The youngest we have heard of is a three-month old baby who seems to enjoy being read to!

There is a great range of books, DVDs and CDs. We have been heartened to hear that a book from our library absolutely changed a reader's mindset at a time of trouble. We know also of people being greatly inspired by reading the biographies, and good use is made of books on parenting. Thank you to all who have given to the library. Modern Christian books in good condition are always appreciated! After you have read a good book, why not allow others the enjoyment of reading it too?

Interestingly, there has maybe been less use of the DVDs. There are plenty of stories, documentaries and teaching at hand. The children's section, especially the VeggieTales, is as popular as ever.

One final plea concerns overdue. Getting reminder slips is an annoyance to you and a considerable time waster to us. We would urge borrowers to return resources within the month or have them renewed. BUT... most of all, keep on borrowing!



## EMBASSY (YOUNG ADULTS)

I cannot tell you how incredibly blessed I am to work with this crazy, up for anything, vibrant and passionate group of people. Each of them are so precious and such a delight.

Before I tell you what we got up to as a Young Adult community I want to honour and thank my wonderful team and the leaders of Embassy – Kevin & Joy Ward, and Jono and Hannah Au-Young. You four are beyond belief AWESOME!!! Also towards the end of the year we have welcomed 3 more leaders – Josh Yuvaraj and Tiffany Lee are now overseeing Embassy worship and Ash Johnston has come on board as one of our leaders. We are so thankful to God for the amazing people He is bringing along to lead us.

This year has been full on!! Embassy is held every Tuesday evening here at church. Term one we focused on teaching on prayer and finished with our first 12 hour prayer burn. This was such a highlight of the year. Term 2 Ian Vail came in and taught on the Awesome Book! (Just in case you are wondering that is the perfect description of the Bible... and I didn't even come up with that title!). Term 3 we had the amazing James and Fiona Hippolite come and teach on relationships! Throughout the year we have had John Sundnes come and teach Apologetics and how to defend our faith. Ian, James, Fiona and John we thank you so much for all you have taught us, it has been brilliant!

On top of all that we have some wonderful guest speakers come including once again the amazing Sy Rogers, Abby Benge sharing her story of survival from a car accident, YWAM Activate team and Paul and Pam Allen Baines sharing their story.

In July we held a mid winter Christmas dinner just to spoil our young adults with staff and elders being the servers for the evening. And then in September we hosted another 12 hour prayer burn for our whole church.

And just a few weeks ago we held Unleashed Discipleship Conference. The band We Remain were our worship band for the weekend and Jon McKenzie was our speaker and what he taught has changed our lives. The Holy Spirit was there in full force and many had amazing encounters with Him during this conference. Lives have been permanently changed through what God did that weekend.

I cannot tell you how I am honoured to be part of the lives of the young adults of our church. I count it an absolute privilege to invest in them and to see them grow in their relationship with God. I cannot wait to see what God has planned for next year because 2017 has been truly exceptional!!

**Suz Holmes**



## HER MINISTRY

Taking time to reflect is such an encouraging thing to do. When we stop and look back we see things from such a different perspective. As I look back over 2017 in regards to the women's ministry of our church, HER, I genuinely feel excited about what God has initiated. At the beginning of the year the team felt God wanted to change direction. It started with a comment from Aly when I was chatting to her about HER ministry and she said this one statement that I believe came from God's mouth and not hers, "I always imagined HER ministry to be much more outward focused." Those words allowed God to start speaking!

After a fantastic HER Church where we were blessed with the wonderful talents of Julia Grace and treated to an amazing wall of delicious doughnuts, we started focussing on where God was leading. This is the vision that unfolded: To be a church whose women are known for reaching out in love and care to their community and who are bold in sharing the Good News!

The HER acronym the team put together actually encompasses this very vision:

H – Honour  
E – Encourage  
R – Reach.

We believe we have focussed on the Honour and Encourage but now it is time for the REACH part to be implemented. So at our HER Breakfast event in June we launched the new HER ministry and it was received with such favour from all the amazing ladies in our church. We came up with a few areas that we felt we wanted to focus on to bless our community.

Our women were encouraged to sign up in the areas they would love to help in. Each idea had heaps of volunteers!

The HER team along with all the ladies who signed up are slowly setting this up. Our first step was our 'Illustrating Our Faith' morning. Thirty women came and everyone had such a fantastic time learning how to journal in a creative way to help us learn scripture. The next day another group of ladies met to discuss how we can connect the women of our church better. All the ladies who had been to the day before mentioned how fun it was just hanging out together and so was birthed the idea of doing a once a month get together with ideas like learning to sew, continuing with our Illustrating our faith, learning to knit or just hanging out with a coffee and yummy food!

Another part of the vision was to do more regular fun events that would be great opportunities to invite our friends along to. With that in mind we had our first ever golfing and lunch event at Maxwells Golf in Ramarama which was a lot of fun.

Next year is going to be exciting as we look at volunteering at Auckland City Mission, putting on morning teas for organisations that serve our community, connecting with a local high school, and have regular fun events as well as our connection mornings.

We also started a successful Random Act of Chocolate ministry! The whole church got busy, randomly giving a chocolate bar to brighten someone's day and share God's love.

Lastly, I would like to say the biggest thank you to my amazing and hard-working team – Aly Hall, Sara Barrett, Gail Vause, Tanya Sundnes and Erin Berry. You guys make this ministry so much fun and I am so incredibly thankful for the lot of you. Each of you brings something unique to our team and makes it all work together! Thank you so, so much for all you do!!!

**Suz Holmes**



## MISSIONS

The Manukau Global Missions Team has had a good year! We have new people added to the team this year which is great – all of the new members have come from our short term missions team or being on YWAM (Youth With A Mission).

Our role is to encourage and care for our missionaries from MCBC and other missionaries we work with and to make sure that our church has a strong heart for missions!

The year began with a group going to Philippines to work with and encourage Ruth and Phil Robinson and Ruth Page. A group of 12 led by Pastor Alastair were away for two week. The team was a real mixture with ages from 15-72 years old! The team worked amazingly hard, amazingly well, were amazingly adaptive and came back significantly changed for the experience.

We also continue to have a number of young adults doing discipleship training with YWAM.

This year's prayer and Self Denial was Nga Taonga Tuku Iho - Treasures handed down. Martin and Joyce Campbell from East/West College were guest speakers one week. \$7,000 was raised during the 3 weeks appeal – thank you so much for your generosity. We also raised \$2,000 towards a new van for Phil and Ruth.

A new Missions prayer group has begun as part of our Ignite Prayer Ministries. It meets the fourth Sunday of the month at church 8.45am-9.45am to pray for missions and their needs. Please come and join us. Prayer is the power force behind our Missions workers.

We as a church have the privilege of supporting these missions people from MCBC who are currently overseas:

- Ruth Page in Philippines
- Neil and Barb Perry in Macau
- Dan and Angela in Thailand
- Phil and Ruth Robinson in Philippines
- Bonnie Holmes - YWAM in Hawaii
- Jasmine Holmes - YWAM in Hawaii
- Micah Thompson - YWAM Hawaii
- Aimee Forbes Brown in Tauranga/OZ
- Ian and Tania Vail - NZ with Wycliffe

We also support Erin Berry and Neda Espie who work with PACT in Papatotoe. We have a new missions board in the prayer room featuring all these people.

We also support NZ Baptists overseas: Andrew and Roanna and their 3 boys, Ikka and Maree and Josh and Robin who are all based in Kalisan Thailand.

“Go into all the world...” means we pray, finance others and ask God whether this is something we need to personally be involved in!



## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

This year we have had still more families that are growing in their faith and in their walk with God. We continue to have more and more children at our programs – we love it! Spiritual parenting (a course for parents) was again a very encouraging time for those who attended. Our distribution of the parenting magazine ‘Homefront’ has also continued to inspire.

#### Sunday Programmes

Families spend the first twenty minutes (or so!) together in Morning Church before our programmes begin. Mega children's programmes are run in four different areas on a Sunday morning: Under ones are in the chapel with parent supervision, Mega Tots 1-3year olds, Mini Mega 4-6 year olds, Mega 7yrs- year 6 at school.

#### MEGA TOTS

Sarah and her team of helpers continue to lead an exciting and fun programme for our 1-4 year olds this year. Along with Lisa and Angie, Sarah has been teaching from a curriculum called First Look. It teaches great bible truths and it is complimented with fun creative crafts.

The roster of dedicated helpers is great and we are again very grateful for those who put their hands up to serve. Parents are also a huge help at Mega Tots.

#### MINI MEGA

Annie Snook has continued to do an amazing job leading our 4-6 year olds. Her team of leaders Sarah, Miracle, Mary, Miriama and Esther are hard-working and reliable. They have heaps of fun singing, remembering bible verses, doing crafts, discussing bible stories and hopefully creating lots of memories. While it's probably hard work for parents it's a huge encouragement to our leaders that your kids want to stay on at the end because they are 'having too much fun'.

#### MEGA

Our 7 year olds to Year 6 kids are an awesome group. We have a wonderful team of leaders who are a real blessing to work with. Danyon, Chantelle and myself lead our large group time and Josh, Georgia, Kate, Arul, Anusha, and Ben are all small group leaders. They have heaps of fun with the kids as they follow up on the stories and discussion we have as a large group. The large group time has games, worship, prayer, bible teaching and discussions. We have really focused on encouraging the kids to pray for each other and to see this is so exciting.

#### Denise Snook

## GIRLS' BRIGADE

This year has been another busy one for our company, with lots of new Juniors, Leader commissioning, Leader training, Pioneers undertaking Bronze Duke of Edinburgh and badge work galore!

I would like to thank the church family for prayers of growth for our company, which we have begun to see this year. I pray that this continues next year with increasing numbers of girls from our church and our community attending.

This year our Juniors have been led by Danielle Fanning and Sarah Jamieson, our Seniors have been led by Michaela Clark and assisted by Kim Clark and our Pioneers have been led this year by Rebekka Ross and Holly Mantering-Woods. We also appreciate Lorraine McKenzie who helps with whichever group needs assistance. Three of our leaders have undertaken training and have been commissioned this year as officers: Sarah J, Holly and Kim. Congratulations and thank you to these ladies for accepting this new responsibility.

I am also excited to announce that Kim has completed her Queen's Award and will be going to Wellington in December to receive this prestigious award.

We have leaders teaching all age groups this year, so as Captain I have been able to focus on administration and my role as the Area Training Coordinator. This includes facilitating "Intro to GB" and "Red Clip" courses at our church.

The Juniors (5-8 years) have had a super year with our numbers growing from three to eight girls. They have had a full on year with 10 subjects to cover! Devotions have seen the girls asking some hard questions and growing deeper in their faith.

A few highlights have been Science - learning about magnets and volcanoes, with the girls having to remember different periodic symbols each week!

The Seniors (9-12 years) have been learning about hauora/health. They have learned how health is about them as a whole: physically, spiritually and mentally and also involves them in their family. Another part of their badge work was a very messy one when Michaela taught the Seniors to papier mâché in order to create monster masks!

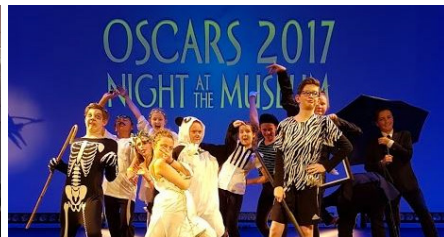
The Pioneer girls (13-18 years) have had fun learning how to use power tools for the first time when making spice racks. Their spiritual subject was the youth Alpha course. There were some thought provoking questions being put forward and thoughtful answers being given. They have also been looking at international cuisines and learning how to cook using herbs and spices and the Pioneers enjoyed having Vineta Gaundar coming in and sharing some cooking secrets!

Our annual sleepover was great fun, despite "someone" burning some of the food on the BBQ! Luckily the yummy dessert made up for it! This event was part of our World of Friends - Europe badge and focused on food, craft and games from England, Scotland and France.

Thank you to our church family and our company chaplain Marty who provide us with support and encouragement. Thank you to the wonderful families and girls that we serve. Thank you to the amazing group of leaders that I get to work with each week.

**Blessings, Sarah Woods  
(1st Papatoetoe GB Captain)**





## MAX

This year was my first year taking over as the 'key leader' of Max and what a ride it has been!

It's been a blessing to be surrounded with an excellent team of leaders and friends that have made my transition into leadership super smooth and enjoyable. I'm always very grateful to Jaimee who has trained us leaders up very well and continues to be a great support. She is still involved with Max Deluxe on a Sunday morning and absolutely excels at what she does.

Highlights for this year include eCamp, Oscars, Youth Alpha, Mystery Lunches, Baptisms, meeting our youngest ever Max kid Ryalie Spurdle (baby of Jaimee and Cam), All In Service where the kids lead the whole Morning Church service, building better relationship with the Gap youth, seeing the kids thrive with all the creative, physical, spiritual challenges we throw at them. Their interest in bible reading and asking tough theological questions that get us scratching our heads is also really exciting for us to see.

Church is a great place for people to give things a go, and I'm a big believer in giving our young people opportunities and responsibilities and letting them run with it. So far it's been incredible to see our intermediates take the opportunities given to them and see them succeed. We see our young people in serving roles around church, in technical positions, doing tasks that tap into their skills and unleash their creativity – it's heartening to see that our 'multi-generational' church actually puts that into practice and allows anyone to explore what they're good at and encourages getting stuck in and serving no matter your age.

We welcomed three new young leaders onto our team this year, and it's been awesome seeing them grow surrounded by the sage and wise team of older leaders that continue to be very dedicated to the intermediates in our church and community.

We are currently planning to build an online platform that allows us to share our Intermediate resources and curriculum with others around NZ.

**Casey Clark**

## MAINLY MUSIC

Mainly music started at the beginning of term three on the 1st August 2017. We decided to start up a group as a few of us had been to other Mainly Music Groups with our older children and really loved the ministry and felt there was a need for it in the community.

It has been so exciting working in a supportive team and meeting all the families who are coming along from both within the church and the greater community. I'm still receiving phone calls from people enquiring about the sessions and we are meeting new families every week.

We run a thirty minute music session at 9:30am every Tuesday morning of the school term. Families are invited to bring their pre-schoolers (from babies to 5 years) and we have loads of fun, singing, dancing, using instruments, parachutes, puppets and heaps of other props. We held our first themed session for Fathers Day, where the children were invited to bring a father figure along. The next theme day will be for Christmas. It has been great working alongside Flavor and Space and seeing lots of the families coming along and enjoying a full morning of activities with their children. It means you can go straight from Mainly Music onto Flavor café for cake, coffee and a fluffly!

Our goal for 2018 is to support the families coming along, we hope they make new friends, have fun and see God's love reflected through us as we enjoy Mainly Music.

**April Head**

## BIBLE IN SCHOOLS

### Report for C.R.E from Manurewa Central 2017

Murray, Pam & Trixie plus seven others from various churches turn up at Manurewa Central School each Wednesday morning and teach 10 classes (ages from 7 to 10 years old) for half an hour. What a great opportunity and a fun experience!

Pastor Alastair took our final session for last term in the school's auditorium attended by nearly three hundred children. He was spot-on at their level (and their interest & attention was perfect). The next day he had a meeting at Manurewa McDonald's, and he got talking to a girl in the queue who was excited having won some prizes there, so he takes the initiative & engages her in conversation. She looks at Alastair & says, "You spoke at my school yesterday!"

He asks : "Can you tell me one thing you remember from my talk?"

She rattles off three things that she remembered from the talk! What an opportunity we have to show and tell children the good news!

So there you have it folks, good seed sown in good soil & there will be a harvest one day...that's what Bible in Schools is all about.

**Murray Storey**



## COURSES

### ALPHA

Alpha has been an absolute highlight for everyone involved. The Alpha course is brilliant for anyone with questions about Christianity, but it is also a fantastic tool for discipleship.

We were able to run a morning and evening course this year and we had around 40 people attending. I think I can speak for all when I say our Alpha Weekend away down to Waihi Beach was such a special time.

We had such a wide variety of people attending Alpha this year including people who had not made a commitment to Jesus. At the end of Alpha we asked what each person had learnt and all the responses were so unique but encouraging. Every single one of the participants had grown in their faith in some way.

Once again we had a wonderful group of leaders: Keith Thompson who heads Alpha up and manages to make us laugh every week from his collection of jokes – yes they are actually funny (well most of them). The leadership team included Ross Robertson, Caroline Peterson, Vinesh Kumaran, James & Fiona Hippolite, James & Nicola Corbett, Murry & Pam Storey, Cathryn Thompson and Pastor Garey. I just want to take this opportunity to say, it is such an incredible blessing to work with each and every one of you. You definitely help make Alpha lots of fun and the success that it is!

Also the Alpha team would like to say the hugest thank you to all of the people who made the most delicious desserts for Alpha. We were constantly spoilt!

And did you know that the entire Alpha course is available online on YouTube? So anyone, anytime, anywhere can disciple others...and as well as our church, can run Alpha courses!

Next year we have planned two Alpha's with the first one starting in May. We can't wait to see who God brings along next year!

**Suz Holmes**

## FAMILY LIFECARE

**“When you are a new mum with a whole empty week stretching ahead it’s scary. But to have a place where you can come and build the tools to make those week days better has been awesome. Thank you.”** *A mum who attended our 2017 Space for You and Your Baby programme.*

Some highlights this year from the Family Lifecare Centre include:

- Awhi Mai (Caring for Carers) began this year. This is a support group for those caring for others. Awhi Mai meets monthly for carers to pray, support, laugh and encourage each other in a confidential, safe and respectful way. Resources are swapped on how to keep looking to Jesus for strength and wisdom and to care for ourselves so carers can continue to care for their loved ones. Whilst needs, medical conditions, cultures, ways of coping or not coping varies, there are similarities each person who attends Awhi Mai share.
- 3 mums from our 2016 Space programme regularly continuing to come into our church buildings as they attend Mainly Music and Flavor Café on a Tuesday morning.
- Our English class has been helping our regular attendees as well as people who are in New Zealand visiting family for a short time.
- One non-Christian woman who attends our Job Club and English class is regularly serving at Flavor Café, building great relationships with others from our church.
- Brave New Life has continued to support those who are journeying through life after a partner’s death. This group is now becoming a connect group.
- With the support of Job Club, Frank has persevered and overcome

many obstacles to find a job where he is thriving and growing. Frank is just one of a number of Job Club members who have found work and a place where they belong.

- More MCBC members are volunteering at our various programs. They are seeing God at work and are developing relationships with people from our local community.
- New people are coming to our Space for You and Your Baby program because they’ve heard about it from others – word is spreading of how great this program is!
- Grants have been received from Baptist Community Ministries, Baptist Children’s Trust and the Auckland Council Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board. These have helped keep are programs running and free of charge for the participants.
- An entertaining and fun “It’s In the Bag” evening was held in September where fantastic prizes were given, great videos of Family Lifecare Centre in action were viewed and \$6000 was raised!
- We’ve been able to practically support families in our community struggling with ongoing medical conditions or financial pressures by giving them frozen meals from Kiwi Harvest and NZMA.

A huge thank you to all those who help facilitate and support the running of our programme and who care for and pray for the individuals who attend these.

### Karlene Boa & Denise Snook



## MARRIAGE COURSE

Our fifth year of hosting marriage courses began with the PreMarriage course that was attended by four young engaged couples and co hosted by Tanya & John Sundes and Kathy & David Symons. This was a refreshing and exciting start to the year and we were able to share many different aspects of marriage that will hopefully enrich and grow these younger relationships.

Hosting the Marriage Course from July through to September was also a real privilege with the help of Joy & Kev Ward. We had another fantastic response from couples who wished to enhance and grow their relationships. We were all so blessed by gifts of time, fantastic meals and desserts, provided and served by many of our church family. We are so grateful for all your help, which enables us to maximise the number of couples that can attend.

The Marriage course features a fantastic atmosphere, candlelit meals, coffee, tea and dessert at a romantic table for two while listening to practical informative and fun talks on a DVD and with heaps of “private couple time” to discuss important relationship stuff. If you are a couple who haven’t yet attended our Marriage Course, make it a goal for 2018!

### Kathy Symons

# CREATIVE

## WORSHIP

We have a group of talented people from all backgrounds and ages that have committed to serve the rest of the church this year through music. It's been great to see new team members come along like Josh, Tiffany, Rufus, Evelyn, Sam, Esther and Jack and also to see our young guys and girls stepping up in their craft and leadership skills.

In facilitating worship through music here at MCBC this past year, we have aimed to make it as accessible as possible so that everyone can connect with God. We don't always get it right and there is such variety in our church of ages, cultures and music preferences, but we always try to keep accessibility in mind with the songs we choose and the way we lead. In the end, we love it when we put aside our personal preferences and all join together and worship our amazing God.

Authenticity underpins everything in worship team – and our relationship with Jesus is paramount. While we are not striving for perfection – we are definitely striving to be real, open and transparent in worshipping. We hope we have inspired you in the same.

**Marcus & Toni Driller**

## PRODUCTION TEAM

The Production Team exists to create excellent, distraction-free environments and experiences that enhance encounters with God. This involves everything from making the band sound awesome, making technical stuff happen on stage and screen... and even making sure the temperature on the air con is set right.

This year our sound, lighting, computer graphics teams were combined under a single banner of Production Team. We kicked this off with the first ever Manukau City Baptist Production Conference for our team and have been working hard on documenting and improving our processes and systems, as well as developing team members and cross training the team on different areas of production.

It's been another busy year for the production team at church. This year saw us providing production services for many events held in our church buildings. As well as weekly services, we are involved in graduations, weddings, funerals, concerts and events like the Unleashed Conference, Oscars and Engage conference to name a few.

We're excited to see the growth that has occurred in all disciplines this year but we're always on the lookout for any new people to join our team.

We hope this next year to improve on our solid base of existing systems and processes and work on training for our team to handle the growing demands of production at our church and lead more people into worship.

**Gregory McKinnel**



## GRAPHIC DESIGN

This year we embarked on the exciting journey of making our church prettier. Okay maybe not prettier, but have more cohesive branding, more impactful visual communication, and a sense of legitimacy and professionalism to outsiders.

### GRAPHIC DESIGN IS IMPORTANT FOR:

#### Brand Recognition and Unity -

To make sure that all the visual material we put out reflects us as a church, and creates that instant connection in the community to services and courses etc. that we provide or operate. This also creates unity in our church as we have a clear identity that we can band together under and with which we can feel proud.

#### Professionalism -

We want the image of our church (particularly online) to make a great first impression on outsiders and visitors. This is not a vanity thing rather, in a world that has increasing knowledge of what good visual communication looks like, a professional and cohesive image is something that genuinely attracts people to church.

#### Communication -

The usefulness of graphic design extends beyond a logo and website. Design is important for communication – a well chosen, informative image can transmit ideas that cannot be expressed with words alone. For example visual content used in slides to reinforce the message of a sermon or an event, imagery and design that promotes things on social media, or even designed signage to provide information or direction.

With an organisation like MCBC where we are constantly growing, expanding, holding new events and starting new ministries, it has been a slow process to update everything; however, a huge project and focus for this year was the design and implementation of our new church website. The aim was to bring our church's online presence up to date and to have a site that reflects more of who we are and what we are about. I met a new couple at church one week and they said the only reason for coming to our church out of the blue that night was because they saw the new website and really liked what it said about us. This serves as a great encouragement that graphic design can be effective in bringing people to church and ultimately to the Lord.

**Casey Clark**





## PRACTICAL HELP

### FOOD WITH THOUGHT

This year our ministry blessed many families with meals after their newborns had arrived.

A special thing to see is the impact these dinners have on the wider family, not just those we have fed. Many Grandparents are so glad that their children are being supported during this new parenting journey in their lives. Praise God that we are able to help at a time of need and that God's love is noticed.

Another awesome aspect is when we meet toddlers at church, then realise that we cooked for them so many months before hand. Great to see when those families return to church and are back on their feet again.

We have an amazing team of volunteers who love blessing these families with meals, without them this ministry just wouldn't function. Thanks again Team for all your efforts and we always have room for more helpful cooks, so please contact the office if you would like to help out.

**Garey Clark**

### BREAD RUN

We have been involved in the bread run for almost 3 years. It's always a joy to bring in fresh bread in church for people's kitchen. There are so many families who have tight budgets and the bread run is an initiative to help people in such a practical way every Sunday morning of the year. We are so grateful to the Manukau Bakers Delight and their staff for helping us help others.

It definitely feels like a community as we stand round the bread run table on a Sunday morning. It gets the church community talking together, sharing stories and we have even heard of people sharing recipes! "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live in unity." Psalm 133:1

Recently, Warren Christie has graciously put his hand up to lead the Bread Run. Thank you to everyone who's helped make this ministry such a joy!

**Angela Taylor & Warren Christie**

## KIDS CLOTHING EXCHANGE

We are pleased to report that we have had another great year at the clothing exchange! We still have a number of boxes of brand new donated clothes from Pumpkin Patch in storage that continue to fill the shelves, which should keep us going for the next 2-3 years.

We also rely on very generous second-hand clothing donations. With the exit of Pumpkin Patch, it means we don't have any access to new clothing available, so will have to pray in a new source for us in the future! We have received plenty of second-hand clothing through the green bin. Just a reminder we are after washed, good condition clothing as we do have limited space. We manage to get enough clothes to fill the "take as many items as you can use" bins as well as stock our shelves. The bins are great and people enjoy looking through these on a Sunday morning as well as Tuesday mornings at Flavor café.

This is a wonderful service that we can offer our church families that is well patronised and greatly appreciated by all that regularly benefit from it. Both Karen and I enjoy the opportunity to be able to serve God and bless others through this ministry and are very willing to continue while the need is there.

**Sue Blackett & Karen Page**

## COUNSELLING

The counselling rooms have once again been filled with different people from many different walks of life and from our own and wider community area. As a counselling team, we have the privilege of sitting with people and sharing some of the difficult stories people face to one of our three counsellors. It is so cool to work alongside Joy Ward and Judy Dransfield who bring a wealth of professional knowledge and experience to many of our clients.

We continue to offer a professional counselling service for anyone in need of counselling help. We are working with children, families, women, men and couples.

This is a great opportunity for people from our community to receive caring & professional services. We strive to empower people to cope better with life's struggles and for some we have the privilege in sharing their spiritual journey as well.

Counselling costs are negotiated at an affordable level between the counsellor and the client and we are very grateful for the help and support we receive from the Church to enable this service to run.

We praise God for His wisdom and grace that we are dependent on, to bring hope and healing to many of our clients.

**Kathy Symons**

# CULTURAL GROUPS

## TE ROOPU AWHINA O TE HAAHI TE IRIIRI O MANUKAU

### Tena Koutou ka Toa e Te Whanau hahi. Warm greetings church family.

Te Roopu Awhina has had another great year. We have been called to be more intentional with regards to the bi cultural / multi cultural journey directed by the word of God (Exodus 3:16-18) and the grace of Jesus (Galatians 3:14)

This has happened in ways such as when we were called to welcome the Kachin church to join our denomination of Baptist which was a very special and honouring moment for us

### Waitangi Day

Barney Tupara did a fantastic job of delivering to our church a practical version of what the Treaty of Waitangi means.

### Te Reo Classes

In March this year, inspired by Tereiti Pohatu and delivered by Bev Clark, we were able to deliver a 10 week introductory Te Reo Māori session from a Biblical view which was well received with an average of 20 attendees.

### Carey Graduation

What another special moment this was to be able to open Carey Graduations with a powhiri here at MCBC.

### Te Wiki O Te Reo Maori

This year to mark Māori language week, we were given the opportunity during the main service to share what Te Reo means and we had some of the whanau Gary and Debbie Jamieson present their Pepeha.

### The Sending

We joined with Carey College to send off Principal Charles who leaves in November.

### Summary

Overall we have been blessed to be given the mantle of Kaiti Ake (Guardians) Tangata Whanua (People of the Land) and being able to journey together with our church whanau as to what that looks and feels like through God's eyes.

For us as Māori applying Biblical principles it is a simple formula: let's make people feel like they belong, through the belonging will come the believing, through believing will come behaviour changes.

MCBC and the NZ Baptist Movement is embracing the bi-cultural journey which is starting to bear fruit of which only Jesus can make possible.

Thank you Lord

### Nga Mihi Steve



## INDIAN OUTREACH

This ministry is all about reaching out to the Indian community with the gospel.

The Indian population in South Auckland continues to grow and the opportunity is great. Yet sometimes we have struggled to make inroads.

We have an outreach meeting once a month. Our programme includes songs, sometimes testimonies and a gospel message. We also have coffee and refreshments after the meeting to get to know those that come to the meeting. We also have dinner twice a year one in June and one in December. We regularly have non-Indian speaking people that come and these are mostly through the letter drops that we do in the streets around our church.

There are flyers in the foyer so please use these to invite your families, friends and neighbours. Please continue to pray for this ministry that our loving God will touch the lives of Indian community around us.

Our final outreach will be in December followed by dinner.

Please pray that God will burden the hearts of all of us and of Indian Christians in our church to prayerfully look at the mission that God has entrusted upon us in reaching the unreached Indians with the gospel.

Jack Chandra & Manohar David

## FILIPINO GROUP

Family and Friends for Christ  
A multi-denominational Filipino Christian group in New Zealand

Our group regularly gathers together to participate in activities such as fortnightly Bible studies, movie nights, family dine outs, games and programs on special occasions like Father's day/Mother's day. This year the group has embarked on a pilot project to support an orphanage in La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines. Through the kind generosity of our group, The Reception and Study Center for Children were the recipients of donations, which enabled the orphanage to purchase a Nebulizer, thermometers and a water purifier/dispenser in addition to food and other necessities. Mildred Turingan, a staff of the orphanage sends her gratitude;

"Thank you for your monthly support to the orphanage, the thermometers make it easier to accurately monitor the temperatures of the children, especially the infants without disturbing them in their sleeps. The portable Nebulizer is handy to be carried especially when the children go on travels. As of this date, there are 13 school children and 12 kids aged 0 to 2 years old".

As our members continue to contribute this cause, they feel a sense of spiritual fulfilment carrying out the teachings of the Bible.

The plans of our group for the coming year is to find someone who is local to the orphanage who can share the teachings of the Bible with the children, while the group will continue with our regular activities, fortnightly Bible studies and social gatherings.

Rey Gumtang



## PASIFIKA GROUP

**Talofa, Kia Orana, Malo Le Lei, Bula & a friendly Kia Ora to our church whanau, family and friends.**

God has blessed our group this year with new members who have been received with open arms. This is so important when transitioning into a new church.

With the arrival of new families in our Church Village, we have embraced the Luamanu family, with the presence of Maria and Rupena, Julia, Becky Malo and Luao with their musical, theatrical, talents and gifts. Praise the Lord! Jennifer and Oceanna have also joined us and Oceanna celebrated her church dedication and surprise 9th birthday with our staff and Pastors. Nelson, Okay aka Okes, Niva and Rita (who did that massive splits at our Oscars), have all also integrated into church.

We all prayerfully continue to contribute into growing together in the Lord and supporting each other.

At Oscars we saw 'Unfinished' the song performed by our Pasifika in Christ group with Maria leading the choreography and teaching our young and old. It's never too late to boogie and express ourselves and the different cultures in our church.

Reuben (aka Ruepena) danced his heart away, caped with his Super Samoan flag. His baptism was the highlight of this year.

We are hoping in the new year to fundraise for gears for an Evangelism Team that will have two set programs for in and out of the church and into our community.

A final thank you to the Au Vaa ainga 'those faithful Sisters ever cleaning & serving, The Luamanu's Dream Machine, Mama Noa our prayer warrior, Julie, The Nikoro's, Anna and her Clan, and Jennifer.

Our Light Party was a blast 3000+ our Luamanu's didn't hesitate to volunteer "You Da Bomb" guys.

And to our church staff and Pastors a huge hug and blessings for supporting us and our Pasifika In Christ Fellowship

We are always privileged, honoured and grateful see how the Lord has been God-tentional and used God-incidences in our church and through his people this year, bring on 2018!

**Akaata & Jeremiah Haurua**

# SPORTS

## UNICYCLING

Can a Unicycling Club here at MCBC be used by God?

A special moment for me this year (although extremely sad) was my attendance at the funeral of a fellow unicyclist. I knew God had something specific for me to do. I was able to speak to each member of his family and was able to share a word with them all.

This year has been a consistent year in terms of numbers with good conversations and support of those that come. As with any sport, skill or activity that people do, unicycling gives people confidence and an ability to mix with others.

Some of the rides we have done over the year include attendance at local Christmas parade, ride around Auckland volcanoes and at the opening of the Waterview tunnel, Ride for Tearfund and simply encouraging each rider to keep riding. The photo is of one girl who at the last light party decided she was going to ride – how well is she doing!

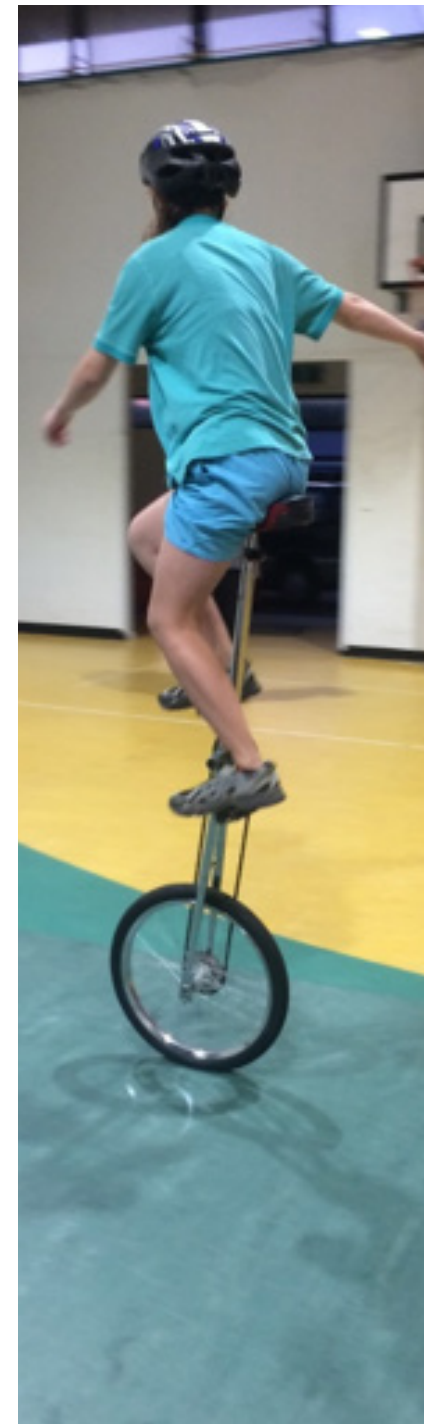
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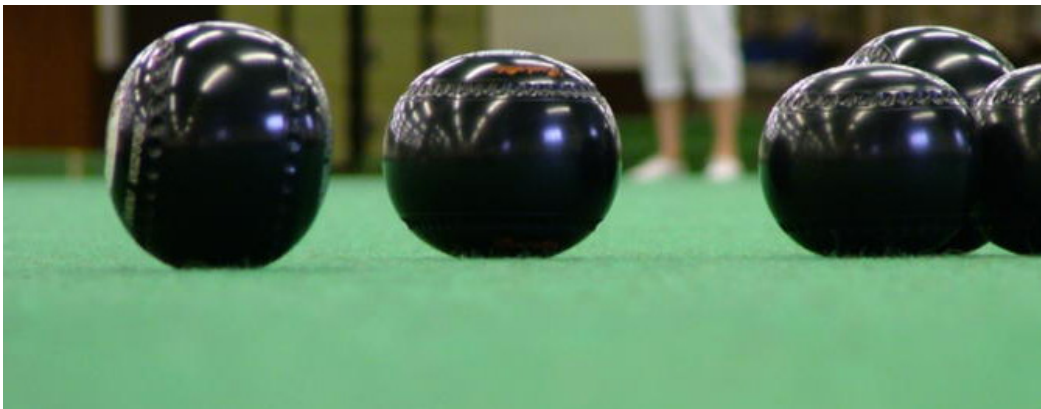
## LINE DANCING

Line Dancing is done on a school term basis. I teach two people every Monday and it would be great if more people would be interested. I go to a line dancing class fortnightly where my tutor gives me new line dancing sheets. Did you all enjoy the dance we did at the Oscars this year? The line dancing we did at the Oscars was called 'Old Bones'. Dressing up in an animal onesie, and I dressed up as a unicorn and Nick dressed up as a monkey and Sonia dressed up as a bunny rabbit.

We enjoy line dancing and you are welcome to join us!

**Rowena Perston**





## INDOOR BOWLS

So many of the members have contributed to making Manukau City Baptist Church Indoor bowling club run smoothly this year, including a lady from the community who comes and assists with afternoon tea most Tuesdays.

Our Mid Christmas function this year was at Happy Days restaurant. The club subsidised the group and was enjoyed by over 20 people. It gave an opportunity for some of our members to farewell member Maggie Foster, who moved to Australia to be with family.

During the year, sadly two of our members passed away, Dot Fisher and Ruth Jackson. Dot, a lady in her nineties came to play bowls most weeks and she was an inspiration to all of us! Despite her frail body, she would crouch down kneeling on both knees to play her bowl and you knew she was in pain, but she never complained. She would hobble up and down the mat with her walking stick and familiar limp, and woo-betide anyone who got in her way! She really enjoyed the game and the social interaction with her peers. Maybe playing bowls was one of the contributing factors to her having lived a long life!

At the end of each week, we share afternoon tea and pray together, share milestones and encourage each other.

One of our members has testified that for some time she has felt very alone and lacked confidence to go out and meet people. She said she has now made friends and has gained an interest and a skill that she never ever thought she could have had before.

We are always looking for new members both young or old. It is a great opportunity to spread the love of Jesus in the community and have fun.

If you don't want to do something that is not too strenuous, think again about us! Indoor bowls gives you a good workout. In a typical game you will bend approximately 42 times, walk 1.5 km, swing your arm with a 400 grams of weight about 40 times and have to smile and laugh a lot!

Joining the club gives you a sense of belonging, so you feel part of a team.

**Louisa Hustwick**



## GYM

After enjoying shared potlucks, free food, birthday chocolates and cups of coffee or tea, MCBC church members are also invited to make their way down to MCBC's own 24 Hour Gym. Tucked away in a secluded corner of the arena, the gym boasts a current membership of 47 members, 10 of whom joined between 01 July 2016 and 30 June 2017. The average weekly attendance varies according to the weather but with summer just around the corner there has been a marked increase in the number of members showing up on a regular basis for a workout.

The MCBC Gym is available to MCBC members and their guests at an affordable cost of \$100 per annum or just \$10 a month by direct debit. Guests pay \$2 for each visit and must be accompanied by the gym member. Do the math and you'll know this is a great deal. Your membership goes towards the purchase of new equipment and repairs. During this year a rowing machine was added, hooks for hanging gym bags and coats, and second treadmill, a window blind was replaced and a new fan for the summer months ahead.

Pictured working hard at the gym are Andrew and Berto. Andrew says he used

to go to another gym but decided to join the MCBC gym because he is able to work out with his friends. So whether you like to work out to the sounds of the Hallelujah Chorus or Rock of Ages pumping on the Bluetooth stereo, consider coming down on your own or with a friend and supporting your MCBC 24 Hour Gym. Oh, and don't forget to sign in.

Finally, "I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well." (3 John 1:2).

Blessings in Jesus

**Grace Adams**



# SOCIAL

## EVENTS

As a church, we want to be a place that enjoys spending time together and knows how to invite and look after our community. We do these things by having different events through the year.

We are famous for our Light Party – and this year we had 3,100 people on site. We prayed for fine weather (best ever), no injuries (6 plasters were handed out) and some significant things to happen spiritually. We had 39 people sign up for an Alpha Course at this event in our new Enquiries Gazebo! We also had a different layout this year and really utilised our paddock area with live music entertainment, food, hanging out and dancing to the DJ and band!

This year saw us drop our (almost too successful) Drive In Movie! We found we were getting people from all over Auckland (the power of social media!) and not so many local people (as we had done this event for a number of years). SO... we introduced Cinema Under The Stars! On a balmy late summers evening, we had a giant screen out in the paddock, live music entertainment, pallets stacked, fairy lights glowing and a selection of snacks, flat whites and drinks...and free ice creams at the interval! We think this is a great event to invite our community to and look forward to doing it next year!

We also did a Men's movie and burger night (with two women who sneaked in because they were dying to see Hacksaw Ridge!). The Bonfire at Wards farm was very popular this year and a great Sunday night! Other events happen in church life big and small – whether it is a sausage sizzle after church, a Garage Sale or a meal together, we love an opportunity to be together in community or on mission for our community!

**Alastair Hall**

## FLAVOR CAFE

Flavor Cafe is an amazing community outreach! Anne Edwards took hold of this idea and built the outreach going from strength to strength over eight years and I have been overseeing Flavor Cafe since the beginning of this year.

Flavor Cafe is a place where parents bring their pre-school children to play and interact while parents have coffee, yummy cake and great conversation. Once a month we change things up Pastor Marty blows up the bouncy castle and Pastor Arnie assembles a fleet of ride on motorbikes. On the same day, we hold a clothes exchange for children.

I asked a few of the parents to write down why they attended Flavor Cafe. There was a common thread throughout the comments - basically Flavor, to them exemplifies the sign on the church wall "In Community On Mission"

Comments such as:

- Thanks for being in our community
- People are friendly, the coffee and treats are tasty
- I enjoy the community and conversation
- Other cafés aren't an option with preschool children whereas Flavor is set up for both mum and preschooler
- Build new relationships with others in community
- Safe environment for kids to play
- Love bringing my kids here to such a safe environment
- Coffee is great
- Some "me time"
- Flavor helped me seek God and I will forever be thankful for this community ministry
- Run by lovely ladies
- Thanks for the "time out"

- Our kids build great friendships
- Highlight of our week
- Love making connections with other families in community

Given this feedback, our goal for 2018 is to grow awareness of the outreach within the community to reflect its diversity and the needs of those attending.

**Friendship**

**Lolly cake**

**Affordable coffee and food**

**Volunteers for Christ and community**

**Outreach**

**Real People, Real Life**

Church, if you would like to see your successful community service in operation, feel welcome to pop in on a Tuesday 10-12 and I'll shout you a coffee!

**Annie Lamb**



## **FORTY PLUS**

40+ is a great way to meet, getting together in small groups, eating, talking and having fun. We have between 55-60 people who meet monthly for a meal in small groups of approximately eight each.

In 40+ there are no rules except one - and that is you must have a good time! This can be anywhere you care to meet, for example, at home, have a picnic, meet at a café for breakfast, lunch or dinner, a beach or even at the church. It is always as formal or informal as each group wants it to be. So as you can see the fun the fellowship and the places to go are unlimited.

We always have an enjoyable time getting to know each other, while also enjoying the food that everyone has prepared.

The banquet this year was held in the church foyer and attended by over 60 people. Ross Robertson was our very able MC. The food was delicious as always. The entertainment was provided by Yvonne Bartlett and was very enjoyable and easy to listen to. She sang a bracket of songs after the main meal and another bracket after dessert. We also enjoyed competing in one of Joy Austin's quizzes and Garey Clark finished the evening with a well-received devotion.

At the end of the evening we moved into the new groupings for the year's second half.

Being in a group that meets once a month is the best way we know to get to know people you would probably only smile at on Sunday morning. You will increase your circle of friends and maybe even make some life long ones!

**Rob & Diane Stone**

## **COME WALKING**

Walking is good. Walking is even better with a friend. Walking is the best when there is cake for morning tea - just adds the icing.

Beginning at 9.30am on the first Friday of each month with a prayer and a "get to know you" question (e.g. what was the first school you attended), 8 – 10 people explore the local area within a half hour walk of the church. Only the leader knows where the destination is which adds an element of surprise for the morning. Visits have been made to the Salvation Army, Life Centre, jeweller, Puhinui Park, sports centre, Manukau Westfield offices, ladies owned car yard, hospitality retail centre, chocolate shop and even a house where some of the Hillary documentary was filmed.

Come and join us. It's amazing what can be discovered in our city. In four years we haven't visited the same place twice. There are still "surprise" places to see.

**Jill Hall**

## **BOARD GAMES**

We have had a great mix of people that come along to our monthly board games nights. Most of the participants are not regular church attenders, so it is great to see everyone come in and feel welcome. We have a really good core of 8-10 regular attenders, as well as a few new people each month.

Board games is a social ministry to build bridges between the church and the community. It is also a safe environment where people can relax and unwind from the stresses of life. There are some good conversations that occur while we play games, and we often offer encouragement and support to those going through life challenges (relationships, jobs, health, etc..).

Please pray for those who attend to be drawn closer to God through our witness.

**Dan Nickoley**

## **MORNING TEA TEAM**

We are the Sunday morning coffee and tea making team. We are rostered in small groups every four or so weeks. We take the biscuit, and sometimes if you're really good, we give you some as well!

Our duty is to arrive at church 20 minutes early. We set up the coffee percolator, the tables, cups, spoons, and hot water urn. We come out of the service during the last hymn and greet you all with a cheerful smile, while serving you the tea and coffee and maybe a bit of cheek as well where necessary! Finally, we clear everything away taking the tea towels home for washing.

It's always a pleasure to see the friendly faces of our church family as they enjoy the post-service fellowship and for us to contribute as cheerful hosts.

It has been important for us all to learn to serve with the Lord Jesus Christ as our leader and teacher in hospitality with welcoming, friendly hearts, especially when we have newcomers visiting.

1 Peter 4:9-11

Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Our team hope and pray that the Lord Jesus blesses you all as your bear witness to the truth of His Gospel through the Christmas and New Year Season. We wish to thank all of the team members for their gracious and generous efforts throughout the year.

Lots of love and blessings in our Lord Jesus Christ,

**Scott & Nemie Smith**

# PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

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## TOASTMASTERS

During this year, the club achieved the Distinguished Club and President's Award under the leadership of the President James Hippolite. This was a great achievement for such a young club and a testament to the commitment of our club members who have worked hard to achieve their personal goals at Toastmasters.

Over this year, club members have celebrated our 2nd Anniversary, held club contests and attended the wider Toastmasters NZ leadership training courses and events.

The club is a multi-cultural, multi-generational club and we have members from all walks of life. Membership remains strong with over 20 members currently registered. Visitors to the club have found us via the Eventfinda website or have actively searched for a club in the area. Both our members and visitors have come from all areas of South Auckland – from Mangere to Papakura. We anticipate that we will have another 5-7 new members in the next six months.

I would like to thank the Manukau City Baptist Church for their ongoing support of the MCBC Toastmasters Club. Without your support, we would not be able to provide an environment or opportunity for people to grow as leaders and public speakers in the community.

**Ruth Malo - President**

## GAVEL CLUB

This is like a Toastmaster club, but for ages 11-17 years. We launched on the 17th May as MC UTH GAVEL CLUB. It is a fun and friendly place to develop confidence, leadership and communication skills.

We started with ten young people as members: Cleo Crummer, Evangeline, Jade, Reno, Tom, Christian, Saacha, Conrad, Gabriel, T.J. My special and sincere thanks to Cleo Crummer and Regan Crummer for helping out in the starting this club.

Most of the kids should be at the Project 3 of the manuals, and I feel kids are keen and are love to attending this club.. In our last leadership meeting it was decided to have this meeting weekly instead of fortnightly.

Also special thanks to Toastmasters Ashlyn, Ruth, Amit, Kingsley, Neil, Barry, Fiona, Manju, Christine to help our club and mentor this club. Need to thank Gaius too for helping out in the meetings.

Well done to all Mentors and young people! Thanks to parents and a special thanks to church for all their help and support in helping develop New Zealand future leaders!

**Warren Christie**



# FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT

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## CHURCH HISTORIAN

Happy Birthday to us! This year, MCBC celebrates being around for 87 years...and we have only just begun!

The original Papatoetoe Baptist Church commenced the first All Ages Sunday School in New Zealand, an idea taken from Baptist Churches in America. For this to happen, a major building redevelopment took place with a brand new wing to house from babies to toddlers being built. While all this took place the church rented the Central Theatre for morning and evening services. In the evenings Dr. Billy Graham films were shown as a prelude to his first New Zealand Crusade to be held at Carlaw Park, with many new folk joining with us. The church was identified with the Crusade to be held in 1959 as a good church to attend.

The Reverend Foster Sherburd, a great Evangelist himself had a great love for people which reflected in many new folk attending. Praise the Lord! The existing church was repositioned and enlarged and the youth hall connected to the church to enable a bigger overflow congregation to see the pulpit area. Primary and intermediate groups had their own space. Most adult groups met in private homes close to the church.

The Puhinui church hall was shifted to St George Street and the opening of the All Ages Sunday School commenced on the 5th of October 1958. Many other churches wanted to visit and see it in operation on Sunday mornings from 9:30am. A Pastor of Christian Education was appointed to help with the training of teachers, Department leaders and secretaries, parking attendants and visiting personnel, with growing numbers enrolling to nearly 600 people in the first year.

Our heritage is important to us as a church. And innovation in the 1950's and pursuing what God had for our community was so important. And that doesn't change for us as a church today!

**Doug Snook**

## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

This year the downstairs Lifecare kitchen got an amazing makeover thanks to a small group of volunteers and very thrifty spending. The carpet was ripped up and the concrete floor was polished and sealed so it all merges very nicely from the café area through to the lounge now. The storage cupboard downstairs got jiggled around and organized properly and now the entire space is uncluttered and a lot more user friendly. What a difference it has made to this area!

This is an example of how the buildings have had to change and adapt as the church changes. We have recently converted a room back stage into the Upper Room to be used for prayer and music practice. We have a stair lift to go in to allow disabled access to this room as well.

My favourite change this year though is the new carparks outside of the gym. There used to be a bark garden with some palms running along the side. Once the palms were removed it was discovered that there were lots of different drains and water feeds that needed to be sorted and tidied before concreting could be done. Arnie said there was a guy who had recently joined the church family and was keen to help, a retired drain-layer.

This was a big job and Nelson sorted it out beautifully, always with a smile and an interesting yarn. Once the pipes were re-arranged we were able to pour concrete, get the carparks painted (along with all the other carpark spaces) and now have an extra 9 parks and a safe footpath.

**Mark Dawson**



## BUILDING RENTAL

As the Church Administration Manager, I love seeing who God brings into our building - because it's always for a reason MUCH BIGGER than just hireage.

Hireage takes up a significant portion of my role, and to stay on top things we implemented using Google Calendar to help us see who's where and when.

In case you've ever wondered what happens here in your church apart from Sunday services – below is a snippet of a typical week. It's very colourful so it's a good thing I like colours!

The kitchen upgrade in the Downstairs Lifecare room has been a fantastic feature making that room a lot easier to hire out, especially for kids birthdays and has taken pressure off our foyer and café area.

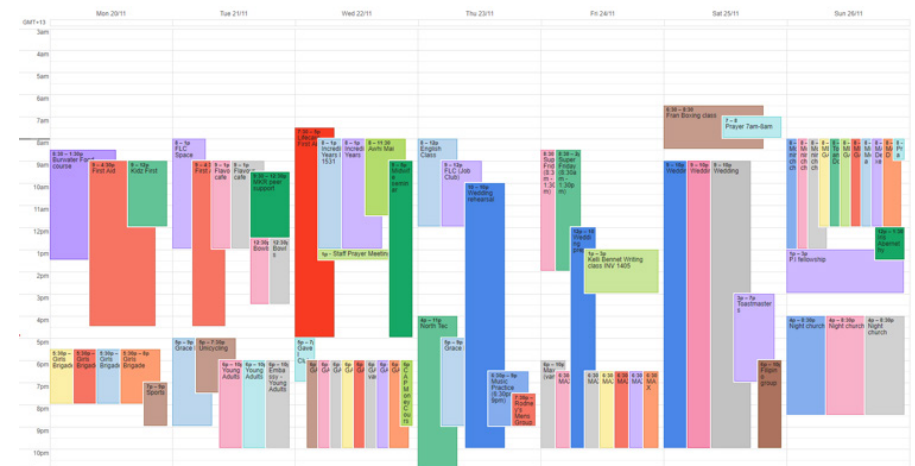
New hirers this year include the first NZ Christian Lawyers Association conference, Lifecare Consultants First Aid, Home2Grow Childcare, Youth Odyssey, Maternity Quality meetings from CMDHB and the Arena has even been used for a photo shoot. Hireage hasn't been limited

to just the building either, this year we leased 20 carpark spaces to CMDHB, Mondays to Fridays. All this provides significant income to the church while supporting groups, organisations and ministries that sit comfortably alongside our mission as a church.

The hard part has been turning some requests down because we're just booked out. But it's always great having feedback such as 'Oh I love your building and facilities, can you book us in regularly for our monthly meetings' or 'we didn't know about this place, but wow, we will definitely come back here again', and if that doesn't sell it – what's that TV program again?.. Location Location Location! A lot of groups prefer 9 Lambie Drive because of how central we are.

One of our monthly Tuesday groups enjoy arriving early to buy their coffee and cake from Flavor Café before heading upstairs. That interaction with other ministries and MCBC members is just primo.

**Norah Greyling**





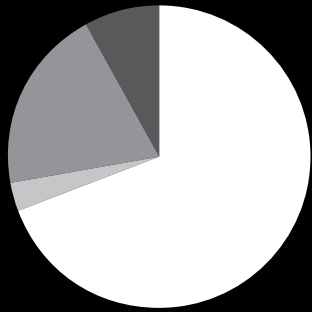
# OUR FINANCIALS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

## AT A GLANCE—

### WHERE OUR MONEY COMES FROM:

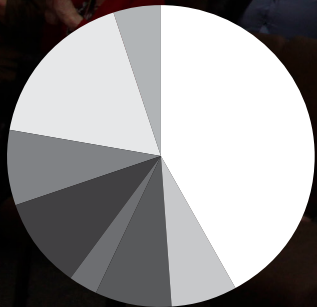
2016/2017



- TITHES & OFFERINGS + MISC 70%
- GRANTS FOR FLC 3%
- LEASE INCOME 20%
- BUILDING HIRE INCOME 8%

### WHAT OUR MONEY GETS USED FOR:

2016/2017



- MINISTRY BY STAFF 42%
- MINISTRY EXPENSES 7%
- MISSIONS & BAPTIST SUPPORT 8%
- ADMINISTRATION 3%
- PROPERTY EXPENSES 10%
- INTEREST ON MORTGAGE 8%
- REPAYMENTS ON MORTGAGE 17%
- DEPRECIATION & PROVISIONS 5%

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

▲ **\$86K**

**INCREASED INCOME DUE TO GREATER ATTENDANCE, GIVING AND BUILDING HIREAGE**

**\$157,747**

PAID OFF OUR BUILDINGS MORTGAGE THIS YEAR.

**BALANCE: \$1,470,607**

**5 YEAR**

RENEWED LEASE WITH ABC CHILDCARE USING OUR BUILDINGS

We made a "loss" this year of \$22k but this is because our accounts now include for the first time an accrual for the cost of staff leave owing at balance day.

Our auditor has recently completed a review of our accounts for the y/e 30 June 2015 and 30 June 2016 and these are available at the information desk. An audit of y/e 30 June 2017 will be available shortly.

We acknowledge and thank the following organisations for grants received: Auckland Council, Baptist Children's Trust, Baptist Foundation, Tindall Foundation. These were used for Family Lifecare Centre courses and the Light Party.



Major capital projects this year included the Auditorium Curtains and the downstairs Lifecare Kitchen fit out.



A team of 12 went on a Short Term Mission to the Philippines. They did fundraising and contributed towards the \$21k cost of this trip.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

### INCOME

	30 JUNE 2017	30 JUNE 2016
<b>CHURCH INCOME</b>		
Tithes and Offerings	636,906	567,746
Interest received	68	84
Cafe Income (excl Flavor Café)	216	1,037
Misc Income	4,833	5,146
Grants for Family Lifecare Centre	24,125	11,032
<b>PROPERTY INCOME</b>		
Lease Income	187,200	187,200
Building Hire Income	75,199	69,161
Building Hire Expenses	-3,831	-2,540
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>924,716</b>	<b>838,866</b>

### EXPENSES

	30 JUNE 2017	30 JUNE 2016
<b>MINISTRIES EXPENSES</b>		
Children's Ministries	4,174	2,683
Girls' Brigade	1,005	1,336
Flavor Cafe	1,057	-1,036
Youth	9,591	9,588
Night Church	139	93
Young Adults	1,295	582
Church Camp	1,162	-1,120
Family Lifecare Centre	-2,786	909
FLC Grant Expense	24,125	11,032
Evangelism & Alpha	2,274	397
Careforce/Marriage Courses	720	-505
Counselling	3,422	1,897
Church Care	494	443
Training (non staff) & small groups	1,379	416
Blokes Ministries	367	67
Her Ministries	1,915	646
Te Roopu Awhina	486	376
Events	3,310	2,546
Gym	-742	-1,978
Library	852	854
Guest Speakers/Artists	1,885	1,079
Morning Church	2,601	2,328
Music	1,753	4,829
Sound & Lighting	6,498	6,559
Baptist National Conference	790	878
Ministerial Supplies	1,028	2,894
Publications & Publicity	1,821	236
Super Friday & Chapel Service	189	-661
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>70,800</b>	<b>47,368</b>

### EXPENSES CONT.

	30 JUNE 2017	30 JUNE 2016
<b>PASTORAL, MINISTRY, ADMIN &amp; SERVICE STAFF</b>		
Salary, Wages and Allowances	390,275	392,332
Training - Pastors & Staff	4,815	5,412
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>395,090</b>	<b>397,744</b>
<b>EXTERNAL MISSIONS &amp; AGENCIES</b>		
Missionaries Support	63,253	56,699
NZ Baptist Union	12,000	12,000
Northern Baptist Association	2,700	2,700
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>77,952</b>	<b>71,400</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES</b>		
Office Expenses	6,823	9,393
Communications	5,909	5,111
Office Equip & Computers	4,670	4,107
Audit & Legal	4,500	0
Finance costs-bank, database, payroll etc.	4,476	4,231
Groceries & Misc	2,549	2,332
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28,928</b>	<b>25,175</b>
<b>PROPERTY EXPENSES</b>		
Property Maintenance	33,061	24,981
Kitchen	3,640	2,974
Insurance & Rates	23,338	13,016
Cleaning Supplies	7,002	4,426
Gas, Electricity & Water	25,236	21,319
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92,278</b>	<b>66,715</b>
Interest on Mortgage	77,111	92,973
Depreciation	23,052	26,989
Prov for Holiday Pay and Wages	23,902	0
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>789,113</b>	<b>728,363</b>
<b>Operating Net Surplus(Deficit) After Depreciation</b>	135,602	110,502
Repayments On Mortgage	157,747	122,117
<b>Net Funds</b>	<b>-22,145</b>	<b>-11,615</b>

# BALANCE SHEET

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2017

### CURRENT ASSETS

Bank Accounts	30,314
IF Call Account	13,470
Accounts Receivable	17,174
	<b>60,959</b>

### NON CURRENT ASSETS

Land and Buildings	5,198,536
Building Improvements	177,830
Equipment and Vehicles	31,308
Less Accum Depreciation	-50,041
	<b>5,357,633</b>
	<b>5,418,592</b>

### CURRENT LIABILITIES

GST Payable	-8,969
Creditors & Accruals	17,418
Employee Entitlements	23,902
Unspent Grants - FLC	9,480
Funds Held to Pass on	13,457
	<b>55,287</b>

### NON CURRENT LIABILITIES

Mortgages	1,370,607
Interest Free Loan	100,000
	<b>1,470,607</b>

### ACCUMULATED FUNDS

General Funds - Opening Bal	3,717,602
Operating Net Surplus	135,602
Jehovah Jireh Fund	11,105
Baptist Maori Grant	1,000

### DEVELOPMENT FUNDS:

Church Camp Reserves	647
Youth Fundraising	1,599
Open Ended Bequests	4,089
Church Family Support	5,000
Office Equipment	7,367
Sound Equipment	6,392
Church Van	1,900
Church Library	394
	<b>3,892,697</b>
	<b>5,418,592</b>





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