

## Let's Pray!

- Worship our wonderful Saviour who paid the price in full for our sins so we could be grafted into His Royal Family.
- Give Him thanks each day for the blessing we live in because Jesus was victorious over sin and death, and lives within us now and forever.
- Pray for opportunities to share the Easter story with those around us. Along with the opportunities, that God will give us the right words to say.
- Pray for those who are unwell, dealing with chronic conditions or facing a long rehabilitation journey. And pray for those caring for them.
- Pray for those who have recently been grafted into God's family. Pray for protection, encouragement and support.
- Pray for our Leadership Team, for Godly wisdom, good counsel and unity.
- Pray for Graeme and the Music Team that they will develop even stronger bonds of unity as they lead us into real worship.
- Pray for Sarah and the community work she is pioneering. Also for Beau as he begins his internship here with us. Pray specifically for the connection we are building with Colenso College.
- Pray for our Sister Churches, for unity in Christ so together we will point many to Him.

Service Teams	Duty Person	Door Greeter	Morning Tea Team	Clean Team	Communion
Apr 7 <sup>th</sup>	B Lucas	R Lucas	P Swinburn, W Braimoh, J Green	B & R Lucas	Hosken/Dunnett N & F Gerken
Apr 14 <sup>th</sup>	P Gilroy	H Gilroy	P & H Gilroy	I & J Beaven	
Apr 21 <sup>st</sup>	N Bennett	V Jones	K & M Squires	K & M Squires	
Apr 28 <sup>th</sup>	M Hosken	E Hosken	R & T Millett	R Graham & S Douglas	

**Communion Servers for Apr 7:** N & F Gerken, H Dunnett, P Swinburn, M Foster, M Hosken

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**April 2024**

### *Our values*

**Compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience**  
(Col 3:12)

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## Pastor's Pen

### Our Mission and Vision

We recently had a 'Newcomers Lunch' straight after the service, hosted by the Leadership Team for all newcomers to Napier Baptist over the last year. It included new members through to those who are still checking us out. It gave new people and the Leadership Team a chance to get to know each other. It was also an opportunity for new people to get to know each other. It was an amazing time and is something that we intend to do on a semi-regular basis. Given the number of new people coming to the church I thought I would take this opportunity to remind us all of the Mission and Vision of Napier Baptist.

### Our Mission – Sharing Jesus, Bringing Hope

Our Mission describes our purpose. It summarises the reason that we exist and helps keep us focused on what God is calling us to do. We want to be known as a church that boldly and lovingly shares Jesus and brings Gospel hope to our confused world.

Our Vision broadly describes what our ideal future looks like. It breaks our Mission down into five areas of focus. As we move forward in each of these five areas we will grow together in our effectiveness to **Share Jesus** and **Bring Hope**.

### Our Vision –

- 1. Relevant Bible Teaching** - Scripture reveals to us God's blueprint for all matters of faith and practice.
- 2. Contemporary Worship** - We embrace the creativity of our day and the wisdom of our past so that all generations are excited to worship God together.
- 3. Authentic Community** - The church is called to be a community of people who love one another with the same love that Jesus has for us.
- 4. Loving Our City and Beyond** - We serve our city and support God's wider mission through loving action and words seasoned with the Gospel.
- 5. Committed to Prayer** - Prayer is the engine of the Church.

Andrew

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## Offerings & Gifts

Tithes & offerings total for February: **\$12,734** Budget: **\$13,600**  
Napier Baptist Church's bank account: BNZ - **Napier Branch 02 0700 0010779 00.**

## Notices

### **Apple Picking**

The apples we enjoy through the generosity of an orchardist still have to be picked.

**Please**, we need more pickers so we can continue to enjoy the fruit and so we can continue this means of mission fundraising.

**Pickings: 6<sup>th</sup> April** and each Saturday thereafter assuming availability.

*Talk to Jason or Clinton if you have questions.*

### **Donations**

Donations are still needed for Ablution Blocks, both in India and at Napier Baptist.

*Please tag your gifts accordingly.*

**Te Hāhi** – Duty week: April 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>

### **ASHA**

Celebrating 20 years of ministry and practical support in India.

Weekend of **4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> May** at Village Baptist.

*See the notice board for details and Margaret if you wish to attend.*

## What's On This Month

**Ladies Coffee Club & BOBs Men's Coffee** – Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> April

at Mitre 10 Café at 10:00 a.m.

*This is a public holiday but show up if you want to. Some will be there!*

**BMF** – Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> April at 2:00 p.m. in the Church Lounge.

**Working Bee** – Saturday, **20<sup>th</sup>** April, 9:00 a.m. – noon.

**Shake, Rattle & Roll** – Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. in the Auditorium,

but **not meeting** 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April.

**Prayer Together** – Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. – 10:15-ish in the Engine Room.

**Care & Share** – Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Lounge during School Terms.

**Sunday Pre-service Prayer** – 9:15 to 9:50 a.m. in the Engine Room.

## Study & Fellowship

**Super Group** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m., 5<sup>th</sup> shared lunch at 12:30 p.m.

Contact: Brian 021 279 7305

**Tuesday Night Study Group** – 6:00 p.m. Contact: Ven 021487373 or 8436302

**Wednesday Afternoon Group** – 3:00 p.m. Contact: Helen 027 842 2963

**Evergreens Study** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 2:00 p.m. Contact: Eddie 836 7363

**Thursday Bible Study** – 7:30 p.m. Contact: Margaret 844 6665