### <u>Sundays—coming up</u>

### Prayer each Sunday 9.30am in the lounge. All welcome.

April 28th10am Rob Stacey - Go and Tell – The Spirit of the LordMay 5th10am Rob Stacey - Go and Tell – Jesus clears the temple

**Church online**—If you miss the service don't worry. Once finished, the BBC video recording is available to watch anytime afterwards on the website www.bethlehem.org.nz.

Or listen to Central, audio only, message on www.tcbc.org.nz

#### FINANCIAL GIVING:

This is a regular habit of our worship that is needed for us to continue & to grow in God's work.

For a Central giving number — email: office@tcbc.org.nz Please include your giving number as a reference.

For cash giving, place in the basket at the back of the auditorium. For online giving:

For general church offerings/appeals please use: 03 0435 0475881 27

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### Haere mai, welcome! April 28th 2024



Discovering what it means to know God, the world, each other, and to love.

# Pastor's Scribble ....

What a great first service we had with BBC last week, it was a "full house" and it was encouraging to see so many young families at church, let's continue to pray for the transition.

Speaking of praying, there are a number of different times that we gather to pray at Central.

- on **Sunday mornings at 9.30am** some of us gather in the church lounge to pray for the services and other things feel free to join with us, even if it is just for a short time.
- today after the church service we have our Mission Prayer Group who gather in the Auditorium. This group spends time sharing updates on what is happening in our various mission groups and then some time praying. They also keep us informed each week in the newsletter. This group typically meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month (yes this month is the exception)
- And then on **the first Saturday of each month** (this coming Saturday) there is a small group of us who meet at 8.30am for a time to pray for our church. Over recent months we have spent significant time praying for this BBC partnership and we are very pleased to say "our prayers have been answered!!!"

Of course there are many who pray in their own home and/or in their small groups - let's continue to be a people of prayer

Brian

## FOR THE KIDS

Children's programmes will run upstairs for 2-5 year olds and school years 1-6 after children have been in church for the beginning part of the service. Follow the leaders.



There are some toys and books in the foyer for restless babies and toddlers and a changing/feeding area in the adjoining church lounge.

# Keeping Connected ...

If you are interested to find out about our regular connect groups & other social gatherings, please contact the office.

## COMING UP:



**MISSION PRAYER MEETING TODAY** after the service in the auditorium. Come and join others to hear about what is happening in mission here in NZ and around the world and to pray together.

LADIES COFFEE This Friday (3rd), 10am at Columbus Coffee, Mitre 10 Mega. All ladies welcome to come and chat and meet others.



**CHURCH PRAYER** This Saturday (4th) 8.30am in the church lounge. Come and pray (for about an hour) for our church family and our future journey.

### ONE HEART WOMEN'S CONFERENCE—MAY 10 and 11

at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 90 Bethlehem Road.

The theme this year is, 'Mercy, Majesty, Manaakitanga' - spend the weekend dwelling on God's nature of mercy, his sovereignty, the way he welcomes and nurtures us, and how we can do that for others. Tickets \$55 Register at ww.oneheart.org.nz

TUESDAY GROUP meet again this Tuesday, 9.45am in the church lounge.

**FOODBANK** Place non perishable food items and toiletries in the basket in the foyer. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

### ROSS AND CINDY—SOUTH ASIA

Ross and Cindy are currently back in NZ as Cindy's father is very unwell. Pray for them as a family at this difficult time and for the extended family around the world.



Give thanks that the trip to the tea garden school to give training to the teachers went very well. Pray that they will be able to implement what they have learned with the children.