

Sundays—coming up

May 8th

- 10am *Brian Cochran* - "God Space—Serving your way into spiritual conversations"
- *Happy Mother's day*

May 15th

- 10am *Brian Cochran*— "God Space - noticing where God is at work"

May 22nd Farewell for Maude Family

- 10am *Andrew Maude*

Did you know that all of our weekly newsletters & messages are uploaded here:

www.tcbbc.org.nz

+ we also communicate & engage as a community on our two community Facebook groups.

Just ask any of our pastors or leaders to find out more.



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Tauranga Central Baptist Church

Haere mai, welcome! May 8th 2022



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

Pastor's Scribble

Happy Mother's Day - today we celebrate the women in our lives who hold a special title called, Mum. This can be a hard day for some. Some did not have good mothers, some were not able to be mother, and others have had their motherhood rejected by their children. There are complex issues at hand in our call to be Family to one another.

This week I have been reflecting on some of the motherly attributes of God. That last sentence may sound a bit weird to you, but we need to continually remember that when God made humanity in His image, he created male and female in His image. All that is male and all that is female is found fully together in the image of God (Gen. 1:26-27).

I wonder in what ways do you see God showing us motherly attributes? Check out these passages and think about some of the Motherly attributes of God: Numbers 11:12, Psalm 131:2, Isaiah 42:14, 49:15, 66:7-13, Matthew 23:37, John 3:3-8, 1 Peter 2:2-3
Brian



BUILDING UPDATE Not a lot of obvious change this week but lots of behind the scenes preparations. The Auditorium has been prepared for painting and a good amount of the ceiling has already been painted. In the new kitchen/bathroom area they are nearly ready for the concrete pour. In case you have forgotten we are expected to be meeting in the hall for about 8 weeks.

TOILETS We are now able to use the new toilets at the 13th Ave end of the hallway. The accessibility toilet is unisex and there is a baby change station in the single men's toilet. Yes Mums can use this one too!



FOR THE KIDS There is a play mat and toys in the back corner for restless babies and toddlers and clipboards and activity boxes for older children there too. Please help yourself.

Some Sundays we will have a programme during the second part of the service for children aged 3.5 years and older in the lounge.

Keeping Connected ...

If you are interested to find out about our regular connect groups & other social gatherings, ask one of the staff or contact the office.

BMF/MISSIONS MEETING Next Sunday after the service in the hall. A chance to hear what God is doing in our world and to pray with others. All welcome.



OP SHOP HELP NEEDED St James Church Opportunity Shop in Greerton Village is in desperate need of helpers both in the shop itself and at the church where the goods are sorted. The shop shifts are morning and afternoon and training will be given. Each shift involves two people for safety reason. Contact Janet Hayes 5716943 (Shop hours) or Shelly Hallam 5412182 (Church admin)

CHURCH DIRECTORY APP Contact the office to find out how to access this on your phone.

NAME TAGS Just a reminder to take your name tag off the board each Sunday and either put it straight in the basket below or wear it and put it in the basket as you leave. This helps us to keep a track for pastoral care purposes. Thanks.

ALAN JAMIESON, NZBMS LEADER (NZ Baptist Missionary Society)

Pray for Alan as he faces the challenges of responsibility for future planning, overseas staff, recruiting new office staff, and encouraging local churches to keep a mission focus when Covid has trashed their budgets.

NZBMS are currently looking for two new staff to join the office team. Pray for people who are passionate about mission and who have the specific skills to compliment the existing team.



Financial Giving:

This is a regular habit of our worship that is needed for us to continue & to grow in God's work. For online or automatic giving:

For a giving number (for tax rebates) email: office@tcbc.org.nz

For general church offerings please use: 03 0435 0475881 27.

For Church building redevelopment please use: 03 0435 0475881 01.

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TCBC weekly budget: \$4927 Average giving: \$4937 (since 1st Sept).