

# Weekly News

15 & 22 FEBRUARY 2026



fairfield baptist church

Connect, Care, Commit, Contribute

## Fairfield Baptist Church

In unity be a fully functioning Biblical community, demonstrating the love, grace and truth of Christ, through our worship, walk and witness.

### Connect with those inside the church and beyond

Do a random act of kindness this week (RAK)

### Care for one another

Encourage someone in the church with a card, note or small gift

### Commit to sharing Christ's love with others

Offer to pray or share your faith with someone not part of the church

### Contribute to the life and mission of FBC

Serve God in a ministry this week

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## THIS SUNDAY

Prayer and Commissioning Service  
Backpack Blessing, Communion  
Ross Woodhouse

## NEXT SUNDAY

Ross Woodhouse  
Ephesians 5:21-24

## 1st MARCH

Neville Stevenson  
Ephesians 6:1-4

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

**Craft Group:** Monday at 10am in the Youth Room

**Cafe Connect:** Tuesday at 9.45am in the cafe.

## Easter Camp

Earlybird Registrations are open for Easter Camp and close on 15<sup>th</sup> February.

Would you consider donating so our youth can attend this amazing event.

Bank details are:  
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ref: ECamp or see lunisi for more details.



The office will be manned sporadically this week as Gaylene is on leave. The office email and phone messages will be checked and if you have any urgent enquiries please contact June.

## **BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

The demolition work on the stage area of the hall has been postponed until the week of 23<sup>rd</sup> February. This area will be cordoned off for that week only. Please register your interest with Ross Cochran if you are wanting any of the rimu timber. The main building project will start from mid May.

## **Part time work available**

Approximately 10 hours per week, as a Care Assistant to Rebecca Marsh, during term time in 2026.

Rebecca will be starting at Eastwest College this year. She has mild cerebral palsy, and is reasonably independent, but is looking for support to assist her in her daily living activities while she is studying.

Please contact her on 0204-108-5859 or [bexyboo.marsh@gmail.com](mailto:bexyboo.marsh@gmail.com) for more information.

## **World Day of Prayer Service**

Friday 6 March 2026 at 10:00AM at St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton East.

You are invited to share a cup of tea or coffee with us prior to the service at 9:30AM in the Mary Bryant Commons adjacent to the church.

## **CAR PARK SAFETY**

We value the safety of every person who belongs to and attends FBC; this extends to safety in our carpark as people come and go from our facilities. Due to a recent near miss in our car park, it's a timely reminder for us all to be super vigilant: watching for moving vehicles; watching our driving speed, watching out for our younger people. Let's all work together, especially keeping a close eye on young children around doors and exits, as little ones can move quickly and unexpectedly. Your attention and care help keep our church a safe and welcoming place for every family.

## **Prayer Chain**

All prayer chain requests should be emailed to [office@fairfieldbaptist.co.nz](mailto:office@fairfieldbaptist.co.nz)



# HELP!

Let the office know if you can help serve in our church..



Sheila Horner 17th  
Clem Wigmore 19th  
Sally Hibberd 23rd  
Stephen Ram 23rd  
Claudine Basel 25th



## **Giving at Fairfield Baptist Church**

Online banking: 03-0306-0200267-00 Use your name as a reference

Donation Box in foyer at church

Online via website at <https://fairfieldbaptist.co.nz/giving/>

# Our Mission Focus for February is Ross and Roula Georgiou



## **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

· Ross: In the coming days, the Capernwray Bible school would be filled once again with new students and returning ones from the last term. We are excited to see evidence of God's transforming work in their lives. Many come with heavy burdens and the hope to find peace with God and hope in the future. Others come with a deep desire to grow closer to God, get a deeper understanding of His Word, and find foundations for their lives and Christian ministry. Please pray for our students and also for our teaching staff and the leaders to share God's Truth in an impactful way and Christ-centred.

· Roula: Being part of the New Staff Training Team is very exciting. In February, I will start with the training of new missionaries and equipping them to serve in full-time ministry. Please pray for wisdom and guidance of the Holy Spirit and a good connection with the new staff.

· Ross and Roula: In September 2025, God gave Ross and me (Roula) the vision and then the opportunity to start organizing a Bible Study Tour "Following In Paul's Footsteps" in Greece. It is based on Paul's second missionary journey. Our vision was embraced by the Tandem Ministries Leadership and the Capernwray Board. Now the preparation work has been done, the registrations started coming in, and we pray that God would prepare the hearts of the participants. Please pray that they may come with anticipation to learn and grow in their understanding of the scripture, grow in their faith in God, and get inspired to follow even more closely the One and Only God. He has our lives and the history of the world in His powerful hand. Please pray for the right people to come.

## **PRAISES:**

· Ross has ended the year with a great celebration of Capernwray students getting baptized at the end of the term. We praise God for everyone who decided to get baptized, showing that God is the One they want to love, obey, and follow. We praise God for His healing work in one young man's life, who had come to the school in a bad mental and emotional state due to horrific past experiences. He ended the year giving it all to God and experiencing deep freedom and peace. He decided to get baptized in the river, a symbol of all that darkness flowing away.

· Roula: I will also participate at the first Leadership and HR conference of Tandem Ministries. It is the first time in a very long time that I am part of a local team. I am very excited and thankful that God blessed me with a wonderful, God-loving team.

· Ross and Roula: We are extremely thankful for the opportunity we have been given to work together on the same project once again. We are grateful for the vision God gave us to organize the tour "Following in Paul's Footsteps" and His tremendous help for all the details to come together.

If anyone is interested in baptism and/or membership, please see Ross.

"And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38

Prayer is available after the service on Sunday. Please come to the front and one of the prayer team will be happy to pray with you.

The Monday night prayer meeting is held from 7pm to 8pm in the Oasis room.

Tuesday morning prayer meeting is held in the Oasis room at 9.15am.

<p>Placement</p>	<p>We'd love to invite you to step into this opportunity: 2–6 months in Bangladesh, working alongside a hospital, specifically caring for mums and babies. You don't need any medical experience, just a readiness to step in and be part of the team. If this sounds like something you'd like to explore, reach out to Annie at <a href="mailto:annie@arotahi.org">annie@arotahi.org</a>.</p>
<p>Jo and Charlie</p>	<p>Already the New Year is once again upon us! Time passes so quickly, and more so as the years go by, I find. We are both well, and hope you are too. It is coming to the end of the cold season here, and although we are still wearing jeans, and not yet turning on the fans, that time is not too far away! Please pray for the growth of our organisation, leaning into expectations of our Dad's greatness while we attempt to do great things.</p>
<p>Peter and Leonora</p>	<p>Presently we are fully engaged in establishing the Basanti business at Living Hope. This community is at the end of the railway line, and very needy. The two new church plants are going well. Mili and Manik are helping to encourage and lead this work. God can truly do beyond what we can think or imagine!</p>
<p>P &amp; D</p>	<p>We have been encouraged to see two new local businesses shining their light in our city, both run by like-minded friends. One is a bakery, and the other is an archery range that also hosts community-building events. Pray these two new businesses, that they could get a good base of regular customers, be sustainable, and have a positive impact.</p>
<p>TTC</p>	<p>January at Tripura Theological College was a full one, with the TBYF annual conference and the opening of the TBCU and Associations Office, which we are standing in from my recent visit below. Coming up next is the TBWS AGM from 6–8 February. Please pray for wisdom, unity, and good conversations as leaders gather and plan for the year ahead.</p>
<p>Sean</p>	<p>We are here at Waitangi with Sean! "Blessed are the peacemakers" has recently been on his heart and something he has sensed while being on the Treaty grounds – fitting with the theme for this Waitangi which is Manakitanga, meaning showing care, hospitality, and kindness to one another. We'd love you to pray for our Baptist whānau who are able to connect over this weekend.</p>
<p>RT26</p>	<p>In 2026 we are reflecting on 1 Corinthians 3:9-11. Jesus laid the foundation and invites us to be "co-workers"</p> <p>Over the three weeks of Renew Together, we explore: building life, building home and building church. Each week there are preaching resources, videos from our global partners, prayers, a youth manual, a children's curriculum packed with creative activities, and much more.</p>