

Pakuranga Baptist Church

60 Years of God's Faithfulness

60th

Anniversary

27 September 2026

Thank you for being a part of our journey.

Nau Mai Haere Mai! Welcome!

A warm welcome to visitors and guests joining us today. Do join us after the service so we can get to know you. If you fill in a communication card found on the information table, we can keep you updated with church news.



Much to Give Thanks For

Whenever I think of the founders of Pakuranga Baptist Church I have an immense admiration for them. Pakuranga was a new subdivision with green hills and flats gradually disappearing under new housing, but much of what we see today did not exist. There was no Botany, no Flatbush and not even a bridge over the estuary on Ti Rakau Drive.

They looked out and they saw people - people who needed to know Jesus and a community that could only flourish with strong churches in it. They were a small group, yet they were not daunted by the task. Seven people met at the first meeting of the proposed fellowship, and they grew from there. Within three years they were led by a student pastor, and the local MP opened a brand new church building on Ti Rakau Drive where the medical centre now stands in 1967.

There isn't space here to comment on the big move to 219 Ti Rakau Drive or on other amazing ventures such as our church building a hostel and a 200 seat dining room and hall in the Solomon Islands. Different people from different eras will recall different achievements. The key thing is that God is faithful. Our God is moving and active as He was in the Book of Acts. Never underestimate what a small group of people can achieve in the service of a great God. As William Carey once said, 'Expect Great Things from God - Attempt Great Things for God.' Let us remember the past today, give thanks and then move forward together.

Blessings/ Ngā manaakitanga

Andrew

Copies of 'Pakuranga Baptist Church: The 50 Year Story 1966-2016' are available for purchase for \$25 each. Limited stocks.

THIS WEEK

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER | 9.15AM

MORNING SERVICE | 10AM

PBC's 60th Anniversary Church Family Thanksgiving Service and Morning Tea

Producing Good Fruit

John 15

Ps Andrew

AFTERNOON SERVICE | 3PM

Mandarin Fellowship

Ps Peter

ENCOUNTER | 7PM

NEXT WEEK

MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER | 7.30PM

Prayer Gathering in the prayer room.

Community Meal meets every 1st Tuesday of the month in the foyer.

WEDNESDAY 30 SEPT | 10.30AM

Women's Connect Group meets in the Prayer Room.

THURSDAY 1 OCTOBER | 7.30PM

Worship Team meets in the auditorium. All Welcome.

PBC 60TH ANNIVERSARY



We are delighted to share that we will be launching our 60th Anniversary Merch today after the service! Our 50th Anniversary Book will also be available for purchase, \$25.

Come and check out our 60th Anniversary Merch (T-shirts) and 50th Anniversary Book, and get yours! Please see David Ee or one of the crew at the merch table after the service.

Limited stock available!

NORTHERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION (NBA)

The NBA held its 134th AGM on Tuesday evening at Carey Baptist College. All reports and budgets were accepted. The NBA has gone through a massive restructuring over the last three years into two separate entities. The BFL now manages all the NBA assets and is seeking to generate improved income for future ministry. The NBA is now going to pivot to offering greater support for the renewal and revitalisation of our northern churches, which contain approximately 50% of all NZ baptists. Please pray for the NBA and BFL at this critical juncture. Ps Andrew has just been elected to the NBA Board. A copy of the annual report is on the noticeboard.



Men's Breakfast Saturday 3 October

8AM @ HEIGHTS BAKERY
& COFFEE LOUNGE
114 REEVES RD
PAKURANGA

ALL WELCOME!

Because Brothers Need Brothers !

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

- ✓ Daylight Saving 2026 starts next Sunday 27 September 2026.
- ✓ Clocks are turned Backward an hour.



Join us for our Holy Spirit evening this month. This is an opportunity to enter and enjoy the intimate presence of God, to experiment with and experience our spiritual gifts, and to see healing, deliverance and other breakthroughs in people's lives. This is often a refreshing, healing, and relaxed time. We suggest that you fast a meal beforehand and you are welcome to join us for pre-service prayer at 6:45pm for ten minutes. The event starts 7pm in the auditorium.

Women's Event

Morning Tea at Sandi's

- Meet at Sandi's at 10am. (We aim to finish by 12ish)
- Please bring a small plate to share for morning tea together.
- 35 Fremantle Place, best to park on the road and walk up the driveway.



Saturday 3 October 2026

We will have morning tea together and enjoy each other's company. See Kim or Sandi if you have any questions.

MEMBERSHIP

Songyang An has been accepted into membership of PBC.

***You didn't choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit....
John 15:16***

Newcomers Morning Tea



SUNDAY
04 OCTOBER 2026, 11.30AM

We welcome new friends to PBC. If you've just joined us in the last 6 months or never been to a newcomers event please join us after the service on Sunday 4 October for an opportunity to meet other newcomers, some of the church leadership and discover a little more about PBC. Scan the QR code to register your interest.

CAREY OPEN EVENING TUESDAY 06 OCTOBER 2026



Open Evening

Tuesday 6 October | 7-8pm

ONLINE OR IN PERSON



Thinking about studying at Carey? Come along to our Carey Open Evening and get a taste of what studying with us could look like. This relaxed and informal evening is an opportunity to meet faculty, staff, current students and guests, hear more about who we are and what we offer, and ask your questions about studying at Carey.

Can't make it to Auckland? No problem! Join us online from anywhere across Aotearoa.

Tuesday 6 October | 7-8pm

Onsite: 1 Marewa Road, Greenlane, Auckland

Online: Join from wherever you are

Scan the QR code to register your attendance and come ready to explore, ask questions and discover what's possible at Carey.



TO KARETI IRIRI O CAREY
CAREY
BAPTIST COLLEGE



YOU ARE INVITED

Sat 10 Oct

7pm
Māngere Bridge Baptist Church
28 Woodward Avenue

To RSVP: email events@carey.ac.nz

Join us to celebrate our
Pastoral and Youth Pastoral students
graduating this year!

A live stream link will be available on the night if you cannot join us in person.

Rachael Lotoaso, our Youth Ministry Team leader will be graduating from the Youth Pastor Leadership program at Carey Baptist College at Carey Baptist College's **SENDing**. Come along and celebrate Rachael's special milestone!

DELIVERANCE WORKSHOP WITH BRUCE REA SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 2026

We are excited to have international evangelist Bruce Rea of Breath of Life Ministries leading a Deliverance Workshop at PBC from 9am to noon on Saturday, 17 October 2026. Bruce holds healing and revival events in East Africa and the Pacific Islands, and is coming to PBC to equip us in the area of freedom and healing from evil spirits. This is a follow up from our earlier teaching seminar on deliverance. Join us for some basic training, and if you also have concerns about yourself or others, there may be an opportunity for ministry during the morning's workshop. All are welcome.



When Pakuranga Baptist first moved to this site in 1993 a respected member of our church received this prophetic word from the Lord.

“My children, you have spent these years as if in a quiet backwater. But now, as you continue to humble yourselves before me and pray, I shall take you and lift you into the mainstream of life, where you will be a leading light and draw many to Me. As you serve, obey and learn of me, I will abundantly bless you in ways you cannot imagine. My children, I love you -hold on to that and we will go forward together.”

12 February 1989



The Church Prayer

Heavenly Father, We come before you today with hearts full of love for You, for Your kingdom and with a deep desire to see Your church grow. We thank you for the precious gift of the gospel, and we ask for Your blessing and favour upon Pakuranga Baptist Church as we seek to share your message of hope with others.

We pray that Your Holy Spirit will guide and empower us as we reach out to our community, and that You will give us the wisdom and discernment to develop effective strategies and initiatives that can bear fruit in people's lives. Lord, we pray for a spirit of unity and harmony among the members of our church, that we may work together in love and cooperation towards the common goal of seeing Your kingdom grow. We pray that there will be no divisions or conflicts, but rather that we will be of one mind and heart.

We pray for spiritual growth among the members of our church, that we may deepen our relationship with You and be equipped to disciple others. We ask that You provide opportunities for us to learn, grow, and mature in our faith, and that our church will be a place where people can find community, support, and encouragement.

We pray for Your provision and blessing upon our church's finances, that we may have the resources to fund our programs, events, and initiatives. We pray that our giving and generosity will be multiplied and that we will use the resources You have given us wisely and for Your glory.

And finally, Lord, we pray for revival in our church and in our community. We ask that You pour out Your Spirit and bring a fresh wave of Your love, power, and presence to our church. We pray that hearts will be stirred and transformed, and that people will turn to Jesus in repentance and faith.

We trust in Your goodness and faithfulness, Lord, and we believe that You have great things in store for us all. We commit ourselves and our church into Your hands and ask for Your blessing and guidance as we seek to grow Your kingdom. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.



“Love God, Love People,
Make Disciples of Jesus, Together”



PRAYER @ PBC



Monday Night Prayer | 7.30pm-8.30pm

Meet in the Auditorium. *Not on public holidays.*

Sunday Pre-Service Prayer | 9.30am

Meet in the Prayer Room
After the service - Front of stage
Look for the Prayer Team wearing the red lanyards.

Prayer Chain

Please email prayer requests to Andrew Brown, andrew.brown@pakbapt.org

CONVERGE YOUTH YEAR 9-13

Converge meets at 6pm on Sunday during term time. Dinner is served at 6:30pm. We have games, worship, a message on prayer, and small groups. We finish at 9pm.

YOUNG ADULTS 18-35 YEARS

ZEAL | Wed | 7pm

Meets at Mark's place during term time. Please contact Mark Lewis via SMS on 0221677975.

CUTIE-FRUITY | Thurs | 7.30pm

Meets during term time. Please contact lupita via SMS on 021 089 20461.

YYA (Young Young Adults) | Wed | 7.30pm

Meets during term time. Please contact Rachael and George via SMS on 022 130 9398 R) and 022 095 8662 (G).

FINANCE AND OFFERINGS

We encourage regular online giving. Tithes and offerings can be made by online banking to the church bank account: 12-3056-0656934-00. **Particulars Field:** legal name and surname, **Code Field:** your Contributor Number, **Reference Field:** only use if this is a special offering, e.g. missions, compassionate fund. For a giving number please contact the church at office@pakbapt.org.nz
There is a Donation Box on the Church Office wall by the door.

CONNECT GROUPS

CONNECT GROUPS	DAY	WHEN	TIME	LEADER
Prayer	Mon	weekly	7.30pm	Simon Christophers 021 260 7749
Women's Group	Wed	weekly	10.30am	Adele Swears 273 5439
Zeal Young Adults	Wed	weekly	7pm	Mark Lewis 022 167 7975
Beta	Wed	weekly	7pm	Jerome Mesa 021 0843 5849
Omega	Wed	weekly	7pm	Cilla Cook 022 505 1177
Revolution	Fri	fortnightly	7.30pm	David Chou 021 664 743
YYA Young Young Adults	Thur	fortnightly	7.30pm	Rachael & George Lotoaso 022 130 9398(R) 022 095 8662(G)
Cutie-Fruity Young Adults	Thur	weekly	7.30pm	Iupita Loto-Aso 021 089 20461
Worship Teams	Thur	weekly	7.30pm	Andrew Chessum 027 678 7744
Meet Up	Fri	fortnightly	7.30pm	Rachel Chou 021 0604 674
FHL	Fri	fortnightly	7.30pm	Albert Lee 027 627 5111

For more information contact Colleen at the church office: office@pakbapt.org.nz

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