



PBC NEWSLETTER

14 September 2025

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

VISITING WITH US

Nau Mai Haere Mai! Welcome!

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

TODAY

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER | **9.30AM**
MORNING SERVICE | **10.00AM**

Pure Gospel 18: Unity, Hope and Praise
Romans 15:2
Bruce Richardson

AFTERNOON SERVICE | **3PM**
Mandarin Fellowship
Ps Peter

YOUTH GATHERING | **6PM**
Converge
Rachael Swears and the Converge Team

THIS WEEK

MONDAY 15 SEPT | **7.30PM**
Weekly Prayer Gathering in the auditorium.

Community Meal meets every 1st Tuesday of the month in the foyer from 1 to 2pm.

WEDNESDAY 17 SEPT | **10.30AM**
Women's Connect Group meets in the Prayer Room.

THURSDAY 18 SEPT | **7.30PM**
Worship Team meets in the auditorium.
All Welcome.

MINIKIDZ Ages 1- 4

Will meet in the Children’s Ministry office. Or there is an area at the rear of the church for parents with babies.

KIDZONE Yrs 1-6

We continue this term with our theme is *The Big Story* looking at Lesson 23: *Samson’s Strength, Judges 13-16*. Please make your way to the Activity Centre after the notices. Kids will be returned to the orange tiles in the cafe area about 11:15am.

PULSE Yrs 7–9

PASTORS PEN

The Climax of Romans

We are now coming towards the finale of Romans and it is very easy to imagine that the last few chapters are just a tack on. It's easy to imagine that all the important stuff has been done in chapters 5-8 and that Paul is ending his letter with a few miscellaneous pieces of personal advice and a shout out to all his friends. Please do not be mistaken.

The Letter to the Romans is constructed like a well built multistorey building with each storey leading to the premium apartments at the top. It begins with the woeful condition of sinful humanity in the eyes of God (1-3), reveals the grace of God and His forgiveness given by faith in Jesus (4-8), outlines the plan of God to fulfill the promises of God for the Jews and the Gentiles (9-11) and then talks about the unity of the church and the changed relationships we are to enjoy together (12-15).

Although it contains pivotal teaching on salvation, its eyes are upon the new humanity that God is creating through Jesus. In other words, Romans is about the building of a people. 1 Peter 2:4-5, *"You are coming to Christ, who is the living cornerstone of God's temple. He was rejected by people, but he was chosen by God for great honor. And you are living stones that God is building into his spiritual temple. What's more, you are his holy priests. Through the mediation of Jesus Christ, you offer spiritual sacrifices that please God."* You belong as a part of His new people today.

Ps Andrew

Ps Andrew is speaking at our sister church Ormiston Baptist today.

FAMILY SERVICE

**WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER
6.30PM**

Join us for our 1 hour family service 'Gifts to Serve.' This is an important church family event where we discover that we all have gifts to help and serve our community.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENT
BUILDING CHRISTIAN FAMILIES
WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
6.30PM**

**CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY**

Bringing up children in the Christian faith has never been easy, but there are time tested methods that will make our role as parents a lot easier. We are hosting a special meeting for Children's Ministry parents with Pastor Andrew at 6:30pm on Wednesday, 24 September at church to look at five key practices for families and how we can best partner between home and church for our children's long term benefit. Join us for supper and a 1 hour discussion together. Child care will be provided during this time.

**28 September, 11:30am
Children's Ministry Team Meeting**

Women's Event Fabric Recycling

- At church from 10am until 12 noon.
- Bring an old tee and we will show you one way you can recycle it
- Please bring a plate for morning tea.



**Saturday
4 Oct 2025**

See Kim or Sandi if you have any questions.

We should help others do what is right and build them up in the Lord. Romans 15:2



Every November, our Baptist churches gather to pray, discern, and celebrate together. It's a rhythm that keeps us coming together each year to remember who we are as a movement: people seeking God's leading, together. In 2025, that gathering will take place 6–8 November at Palmerston North Central Baptist Church.

For those who've been before, Hui is often described less as a conference and more as a family reunion. There are hugs at the door, conversations that pick up where they left off a year ago, and times of worship that remind us of our shared foundation in Christ. Decisions are made, yes—but they are made through prayer, Scripture, and dialogue, trusting that the Spirit is guiding our collective steps.

As one pastor reflected after last year's Hui: *"I came expecting to sit through reports and voting. What I experienced was being drawn into the story of what God is doing across Aotearoa. It felt like family."*

And it's not just for pastors! Each church is encouraged to send at least three delegates to represent them at National Hui, but the more the merrier. From elders, senior pastors, youth pastors, interested congregants, long term mission supporters, and even our Carey students, National Hui attendees come from a range of spaces and backgrounds, giving depth and diversity to the discussions that we share.

If you are interested in attending this year's Hui to represent PBC please contact Ps Andrew by 21 September. Some funding is available.



After a robust recruitment process commencing in October 2024, the search committee, National Council, Mission Council (Arotahi), along with endorsement from Te Whāriki, are collectively pleased to present **Chris Chamberlain** as their recommendation for National Leader. Chris Chamberlain has been a part of the Baptist Union of New Zealand since 1983, holding various Baptist church pastoral and leadership positions, including National Council Chairperson from 2020–2023.

The National Council Deputy Chair, Rachele Martin, currently overseeing the National Leader appointment process has commended the search committee team for their work, saying the next part of the process is ready to begin:

"During this part of the process we encourage all Baptists to engage in prayer and discernment before November's National Hui in which church delegates will vote in order to confirm the recommendation made by the National Council and Mission Council."

Solo Mama Tribe



A safe space for those navigating motherhood on their own

Come as you are for a relaxed coffee, a few laughs, and genuine connection with other solo mamas (children welcome)

BECAUSE IT
TAKES A VILLAGE!



Thursdays @ 10:30am
Eastview Baptist Church
559 Chapel Road, Botany
office@eastviewbaptist.org.nz

PRAYER @ PBC Monday Night

Prayer Meet in the Auditorium. | 7.30pm

Sunday Pre-Service Prayer

Meet in the Prayer Room | 9.30am

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.nz

YOUTH YEAR 9-13

Converge meets during term time at 6pm Sunday night with dinner at 6:30pm. We have games, worship, a message on prayer, and small groups. We finish at 9pm. We think that God has formed Converge like another family. So this term we will be looking at what this means for us, what God's heart is for Converge and how Jesus is at the centre of it all.

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 at Joshua Neal's place during term time. Please contact Lupita via SMS on 021 089 20461.

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

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
Revolution	Wed	weekly	7.30pm	David Chou 021 664 743
YYA Young Young Adults	Thur	fortnightly	7.30pm	Rachael & George 022 130 9398(R) 022 095 8662(G)
Cutie-Fruity Young Adults	Thur	weekly	7.30pm	Lupita Loto-Aso 021 089 20461
Worship Teams	Thur	weekly	7.30pm	Andrew Chessum 027 678 7744
Meet Up	Fri	fortnightly	7.30pm	Rachel Chou 021 210 0839
FHL	Fri	fortnightly	7.30pm	Albert Lee 027 627 5111

For more information contact Colleen at the church office:
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