



# Eastside Baptist Church

MANY HEARTS ONE COMMUNITY

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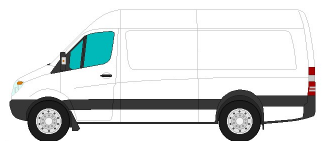
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## NEWSLETTER 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025

ROSTER:	2nd Feb	9th Feb	16th Feb	23rd Feb
SERVICE	Bruce	Beryl	Chris	Bruce
COMMUNION	???		Eliya	
KITCHEN LEADER	Cecil	Laurel	Shirley	Gloria
KITCHEN HELPER	H-L	M	N-P	Q-S
GREETERS	Roy	Flo	Joyce	Sarah
VAN	Jamie	Jamie	George	Dennis
WORSHIP LEADER	Eliya	Libby	Eliya	Libby
SOUND DESK	Cecil	Lina	Elie	Ngairie
MEDIA DESK	Mike	Byron	Ngairie	Lana
PREACHING	Chris	Luiz	Chris	Jerry

*If you are unable to do your roster duty, please contact someone else on that roster and swap with them*



*The van is available for pickups please contact Chris or the van driver by 8pm Saturday if you need a ride on the Sunday. If you normally get a ride and don't need one this week, please let us know.*

### What's on this week at Eastside

Monday	6am	Prayer meeting @ church <b>10<sup>th</sup> Feb</b> (fortnightly)
	12.30pm	Gardening Growers @ Chris and Karlene's (weekly)
	6pm	Chris' homegroup @ church <b>this Monday 3rd</b> (weekly)
	7.30pm	Leadership Meeting
Tuesday	7pm	Bruce's Bible Study this Tuesday <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> (fortnightly)
Wed	6.30am	Men's Coffee @ South City McD's this Wed <b>5<sup>th</sup></b> (fortnightly)
	6pm	Lynley & Terry's Home group @139 George St <b>this Wed 5th</b>
Thursday	Midday	Prayer meeting @ Roy and Nancy's 61 Sydney St (weekly)
Friday	6pm	Young Adults Group @ the church fortnightly
Saturday	10am	Eliya's Prayer time @ church (weekly)
Sunday	10am	Pre-service prayer @ church front – open to everyone

**Booking sheet:** It's so great that our building (kitchen, lounge, office, auditorium, and kidzone) is being used most days, and it means that we now need a booking sheet for the different spaces. The sheet is kept in the office. **Please check** before you use a space and let Chris or Karlene know to reserve a day and time for your activity.



If you have organised an event or practice, and it goes **past 8.30pm**, can you please ring the security company to let them know. The number is on the keypad. Otherwise, they ring Bruce to check if the building is being broken into.

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## Thought for the Week

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From Chris's sermon last Sunday: We serve an awesome God

The prophet Joel proclaimed in Joel 2:12-13: "even now, declares the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning. Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity."

Out of reverence in our hearts some our words and our actions of worship and service

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## Upcoming Events – Checkout the noticeboard for further details

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**Nutrition Program:** Here at Eastside a 5-week program aimed to connect whanau with cost effective healthy and nutritional recipes within a budget from **11<sup>th</sup> February**.

**Taputapu Matua Parenting Program:** Here at Eastside a 5-week program aimed to connect parents with information, support and services from **13<sup>th</sup> February**. Check out the noticeboard for more details.

**Life Concert: sing a new song.** Neil and Joanna Johnston are here at Eastside **15<sup>th</sup> February @ 7pm**. This is a free event which is followed by supper – so as the hosts please bring along a plate of food



**Baptist Mission Arotahi:** Join us in praising God that there is no war and that believers can gather freely for worship in Türkiye. May the Lord open the hearts of people to God's Word for there are millions of people who have not heard the Good News. May God raise faithful leaders in Türkiye to share the Gospel. May the Lord help Christian immigrant families who were given a ban to enter Türkiye and had to leave the country recently

**Please continue to pray for the Pastoral search team and Leadership** who are praying and seeking God for whom He has chosen to Pastor His Church at Eastside.

- ❖ **If you would like prayer:** Chris, Karlene and the leadership are available or send a message via our WhatsApp or write to us on the newsletter insert.
- ❖ We have a confidential group of pray-ers who can intercede for specific needs.

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- **Tithes and Offerings:** Bank account 060925 0116320-00 or place your offering in the container inside the door of the auditorium. Thankyou - every contribution helps us to achieve our mission goals.

**Looking for expressions of interest in the following vacant positions:**

Health and Safety officer

Advising on how to protect the health, safety, and welfare of employees in the workplace.  
Identifying hazards and carrying out risk assessments.  
Developing health and safety policies and procedures.  
Ensuring compliance with occupational health and safety guidelines.  
Promoting a safe workplace, providing training, and investigating incidents to improve overall safety.

Child Safety officer

Providing culturally appropriate, practical prevention and early intervention support services to children and families to meet agreed case plan goals.  
Undertaking the roles of an authorised officer under the Child Protection Act 1999 and some of the powers and functions that the chief executive has delegated.  
Risk assessment and bringing together vulnerable children, young people, their families, carers and other child and family support services to meet case plan needs.  
Receiving, investigating and assessing concerns about children who may be experiencing abuse and neglect.  
Working with families and other professionals to resolve safety concerns.

Privacy Officer

oversees risks related to confidentiality regulations and information privacy laws. Their responsibilities include:  
Ensuring an organization's compliance with data protection laws and regulations.  
Managing internal policies and procedures.  
Developing staff training programs.  
Providing advice on data protection best practices.  
Creating and implementing privacy policies and procedures.



**Invercargill**  
**Eco Church Gatherings**

*A gathering in Invercargill to connect and learn about how we can live with sustainability and Creation Care in our church community.*

**Thursday, 13 February 2025**  
**7pm - 9pm**  
**St Lukes in The Bush**  
**Otatara, Invercargill**

Please RSVP at: [bit.ly/invercargill2025](https://bit.ly/invercargill2025)

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