

A building fund has been set up for the ET facilities work. You are able to contribute to this fund by automatic payment using the reference 'Building Fund'

East Taieri Church 02 0938 0018236 00

3rd Tuesday
of each
month

Worship
Church
Everyone
welcome

Psalm 150:6

Mental Health Perspectives: A Christian Response (Talks between August and November)

We are having a series of 4 talks at 10am and 2pm on mental health and a Christian response. They are going to be presented by four people in our Church who work with mental health issues. On the 2nd November there will be a panel discussion about these issues and the questions people might have. If you have any questions following these talks please send them to the office and the team will collate them. Any further clarification please contact Paul Reet on qpm.reet@gmail.com or 027 406 5959

Fuel Breakfast Café
78 Main Rd,
Fairfield
Term Time only
8.30am

East Taieri Church 12a Cemetery Rd, Mosgiel Services at 10am & 2pm NIG<mark>HT CHURC</mark>H

12a Cemetery Rd,

Mosgiel

Term time only

6.30pm

Welcome to the service 7 September 2025

10am & 2pm: Gareth Bruce

God's Will for You

www.etchurch.co.nz ph: 489 6308



Know...Grow...Go

Elders are calling a congregational meeting and vote on the proposed renovation of the Fuel kitchen and toilets. An informal meeting will be held on Monday 6th October at Fuel (78 Main Rd, Fairfield) at 7pm to discuss and answer any questions. Everyone is welcome.

There will be a formal congregational vote after all services on Sunday 12th October to approve the renovations to the kitchen and toilets at Fuel. Please note that the Sunday meeting will be strictly for voting purposes only so we encourage you to bring any questions to the meeting on Monday 6th October.

Opportunity for Short Term Mission

OMF has a number of opportunities for short term mission service.

See opportunities.omf.org

In the past ET Church has supported OMF missionaries and Kim and Mary Robertson were supported by ET when they were serving in Suphanburi, Thailand. They are returning to Thailand in December 2025 and are looking for additional helpers for Christmas Outreach.

Christmas outreach to South Thailand

Serving alongside an OMF church planting team in South Thailand. During the Christmas period, Thai people are presented with more opportunities to encounter the gospel. We will be visiting schools, churches and local communities to help with these Christmas Outreaches. The team will be led by Kim and Mary who spent over 20 years in Central Thailand as long term missionaries with OMF.

This may be the ideal opportunity for you to explore mission and what it means in a different context. Go to opportunities.omf.org or email NZ.ServeAsia@omfmail.com or talk to Elaine of Global Missions at ET.



Mission Fellowship meeting in Oak Lounge Tuesday 9 September at 2pm. Speaker: Ruth Rivett-Cuthbert 'Air fryers with a beginner'

Market table, afternoon tea. All welcome

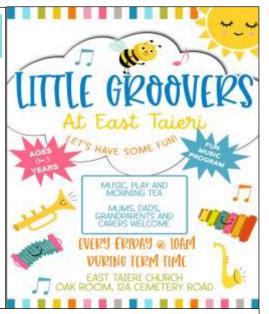
Confidential Prayer Chain available at all times.

Please contact Pam Grant 021 049 0638

or Christine McKinlay 021 134 4484

SHOP 'n TAIERI

Fashionable Little Op Shop:
135 Gordon Rd, Mosgiel
Spring is just around the
corner! Lots of lovely new
season stock heading into the
store. Along with lots of ideas
for Father's Day! Pop in and
have a browse while chatting to
our wonderful team.



Aglow is hosting a **Ladies Retreat** on Saturday 27th September 9:15am - 3:30pm

Venue: Mosgiel Presbyterian Church Guest Speaker: Ngere Paul Cost \$25

To register: contact Ros at braintra@gmail.com or message Nicola 027 0837 8065



Fuel—Term time only

8.30am Sundays – faith discussion over breakfast 10am Wednesdays—Mainly Music for preschoolers

Pastoral Care is available at all times. In the first instance, please contact your Life Group leader or Gareth Bruce 489 6308 ext 1707

Intermediate Sunday Group

- . Pray for Hayley Grant & Hayley Olsen, as they lead this group on a Sunday.
- Pray that the friendships in the group continue to strengthen and become firm so that they can support one another as they grow in their faith and love of Jesus.
- Pray that they will have strength and courage to be different in a world that wants them to blend in.

SHFT/YET (Youth East Taieri)

- Continue to pray for the young people who come to our programmes, that they will come to know Jesus in their lives. Pray for wisdom for our paid staff and volunteers.
- ⇒ Give thanks for our SHFT Board. Pray that they will have wisdom in decisions to be made, particularly around staffing for 2026; and that God will lead in finding new staff; and the team working together.



- ⇒ Give thanks for the "What about God?" group that meets on Tuesday at Taieri College. Pray that we will continue to build fellowship amongst the group. Pray that the 'right number' would come; that we can answer questions for seekers, create a safe space for all, and strengthen believers.
- Pray for our Ground Zero term, particularly for camp coming up 13-14 September. Pray for our young leaders growing in confidence to lead. Pray for great relationships amongst all the adult leaders, junior leaders, leaders in training and participants. Pray that many will be encouraged to engage in Friday night and/or Sunday night as their time with GZ finishes at the end of the term.
- Pray for planning for our Challenge program for Wednesday nights in Term 4.
 Pray for the building of our leadership team, for all the participants that will sign up, and for safety for the term. Give thanks that this opportunity is available for our young people.
- Pray for our Friday night youth group. Give thanks for our dedicated volunteers and for Emma leading the program. Give thanks that so many are coming along each week, regularly 40+. Pray that we will be able to grow true community and point the youth to Jesus. Pray for safety and fun week to week.

'Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in all circumstances give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus...' 1 Thessalonians 5 v 17-18



PrayerMatters...September 2025

Prayer letter for East Taieri Church-'To Know, To Grow, To Go...' September 2025

Welcome to the latest edition of our bi-monthly prayer letter for all of the ET congregations. You can use this personally in your time with God, with each other, with your prayer partner, in your groups or in your congregations. Some of these are for future events. With prayer, working with God we can accomplish much.

Praying thoughts...from Charles Price (Living Truth, People's Church, Toronto, excerpts taken from daily Devotional August 2025)

"Weddings are exciting occasions to celebrate the love a couple has for each other as they commit to spending the rest of their lives together. Now, imagine after all the pomp and circumstance of a wedding, the groom turned to his bride and said, "Today was great, but I have to run. I've got a golf game with the groomsmen tonight and won't be home till late!" The next morning, the groom woke up next to his new bride and said, *Oh, right! I have a wife now! Sorry, I forgot. The morning after, he said something similar and this went on for a few weeks. How would this couple describe their marriage? Lifeless and pointless. The Christian life is a relationship with God, but how often do we treat it like the marriage relationship described above? There is an initial joy and excitement after becoming a Christian, but slowly and subtly, spending time with God becomes something we quickly slot into our busy lives. We may say a quick catch-all prayer before our head hits the pillow at night, thanking God for taking care of us and asking Him to bless our families and missionaries too. This would amount to no more than a minute of our entire day talking to God. I have had some people come to me saying, "I am a Christian. I believe in God and I love Jesus Christ. But what I can't seem to understand is why my Christian life feels so dry. God seems distant to me." I would then follow-up with a question asking, "How much time do you spend alone with God?" And the response I almost always receive is, "That's my weak spot." Of course, God would feel distant if they do not spend time listening and talking to Him.

Almost every time a relationship falls apart it is because of a communication breakdown. This is why prayer is so vitally important. Prayer brings us into relationship with God, that is, it brings us into communication. Hence, when the Christian life becomes dull, when God becomes distant, when our Christian experiences become dry, we can be very sure that there is very little prayer going on. Prayer is like the fuel of our life. When we diligently spend time in prayer, we will begin to notice qualitative differences in our relationship with God, one of them being that we grow more and more eager for our time alone with Him.¹

From the ELDERS ...

- Pray for the Elders as they meet, make decisions and seek God for the Church and its future.
- Pray for the exploration of the structure of the Church and the ideas going forward.
- Pray for the right person to become the Senior Pastor and for the work of the MSB (many Churches are in the same position).
- Prat for the ongoing building plans for both ET and Fuel.
- Pray for unity in purpose and vision and protection, wisdom and discernment for all the Elders and the staff team.
- Pray for Jo as she manages the admin while Leanne is away.

Christmas Outreach 19-21st December

The team has already been working hard on the theme and activities for this year. The theme is based around Angels in the control room, but we haven't got a name for it yet. This year we will also be incorporating a short children's drama, with dance. Please pray for the following:



Pray that the plans come together for Lynda Willsman and Deborah Taylor who are working on the drama and dance.

Pray for creative ideas for the whole team as they pull together activities. Pray that God will open doors and shut doors to keep us on the right track.

Pray that we will have enough volunteers to step into all of the areas needed. Please pray for those who are working on building props and for those who are thinking about technology.

For ALPHA concluding end of September:

- Thank God for the huge response, questions that have been raised and discussed and a slow realisation for many of the gospel of Jesus and what this means.
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- ⇒ For team, for unity and protection.
- For hearts to be open to the gospel for salvation and that people will come to faith or have a renewal of their relationship with Jesus.
- ⇒ Pray for the impact of ALPHA on the guests lives.

'Little Groovers'

Pray for the family connections being made through the team who lead this work—that God's love will be demonstrated and draw people in.

Night Church...

Give thanks for the young people who worship and serve amongst us and for the team that is developing to lead this congregation and for term 4 and the plans ahead.



- Pray for wisdom for those leading youth groups. Pray for the young people who are only just being exposed to ideas about faith and God and that the Spirit will reveal Jesus to them.
- Pray for Amos and Miciah who are heading off with YWAM in September, for their protection, willingness to learn and take risks and the impact for their developing faith.

Fuel...

 Thank God for this congregation who are expressing Church alternatively, learning and growing together and reaching out to their community.



- For the growth in people's lives and faith and for more families to come. Thank God for the families that are now coming.
- For the plans for improvements to the facilities; for wisdom, guidance and provision and that these will become a reality.

2pm folk...

For our members who are becoming frail and for their spouse or carers to continue to have the energy required to meet their needs 24/7. May the ones suffering know the peace and understanding of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Carers gain strength and patience from the Holy Spirit. Ask for additional younger members to join their ranks who could help boost the support team.

Children's work... Sundays

Praise God for the growth of the children's work as numbers grow. We are praying that 10 more will come too.

Pray for Kerah and her team for wisdom and inspiration.

Pray for their protection and for unity and consistency amongst them and the children's work as a whole.

The theme for term 4 is based on the Parables of Jesus. Pray for those who are preparing and leading for term 4.

Pray the children will be inspired, come to personal faith and be equipped to be firm in their faith as they grow and develop.



Your offerings can be made by one of the following methods:

- Payment by Telephone/Electronic Banking to our BNZ Bank Account,
 Mosgiel Branch: 02 0938 0018236 00
- Automatic Payment forms are available at the office
- By EFTPOS-available at the office. Monday-Friday 9am-3pm



Here at East Taieri Church, situated on the wall in the foyer beside the office, we have a <u>A</u>utomated <u>E</u>xternal <u>D</u>efibrillator. To watch a short video on how the use the AED please go to http://www.etchurch.co.nz/resources/health-and-safety and click on the link.

What's on?....

Check out our noticeboard at ET (located on the wall beside the coffee cart) for events and important notices.

Check out our Classifieds

in the News tab on our Website and contact the office if you would like to advertise in our classifieds:
office@etchurch.co.nz

Pray.

Join us at 9.45am on the window seats in Fellowship to prepare our hearts for worshipping God.

We will pray for awesome, vibrant worship that honours God and inspires and transforms people.

Are you remembering to pray by using our prayer app - ECHO Prayer?

To find the app go to Google Playstore/ Apple app store on your phone and install the free ECHO prayer app—once installed search for East Taieri Church and follow. You will receive ET's weekly prayer points on the app and you are able to set reminders to pray!

The Molly Burns Trust provides financial assistance in meeting the cost of education and cultural activities directly relating to ET Church and its members. To have your application considered pick up an application from the Office.

Turning Point Counselling Service Professional and Affordable Counselling

Turning Point offers:

- Counselling & Psychotherapy
- Supervision
- Spiritual Direction
- Mental Health Education



And is available for adults, children, youth, couples and groups.

Each session is private and is around 50-55 minutes long. Go to our website www.etchurch.co.nz or pick up a brochure from the foyer by the office for more information.

Counsellors are also available to run interactive workshops for church and community based groups on a wide variety of topics.

Chapel
10am Monday
mornings in Oak
Lounge
Join us for a short
devotion followed by
morning tea.
Everyone welcome

Prayer Breakfast
Sharing Life,
eating & praying
together. Join us
as we seek God's
will & blessing.
Fellowship Centre
@ ET Thursday
7am—8am.Everyone
welcome.

For girls aged
7-10years
during term
time—games,
craft and
devotion

Sugar & Spice Tuesday fortnightly 6-7.30pm in Oak Lounge www.faceboook.com/EastTaieri
To keep up to date with news and
information check out our website:

www.etchurch.co.nz



Please check the lost property basket at ET. It's located by the door to the playground.

The Global Missions Team meet every 4th Tuesday of the month, 3pm at East Taieri.. All welcome. Contact Elaine Scurr 486 1863 for more

