



Operation Cover up (with support of Mission Without Borders) sends knitted clothing and blankets, among other things, to Eastern European countries every year bringing warmth, comfort and hope to thousands of people in need.

100% wool is needed for this project—do you have 100% wool that you no longer need (any colour will do)? If so, please drop it into the church office. If you would like to know more, and/or would be interested in doing some knitting for this project please contact Margaret Larsen: [dmlarsen@yrless.nz](mailto:dmlarsen@yrless.nz) or 027 206 6023

Saddle Hill Foundation Trust

# Community Carnival

Come & enjoy this great event that brings together community from across the Taieri!

March | 6 | 2026

6:00-8:30pm  
4 Cemetery Road,  
East Taieri

**FREE**

@Youth\_East\_Taieri

Check our socials

### Upcoming Missionary Visit

Karl and Helene Orchard and daughters Thea and Ayla will be our guests **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March through to Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March**. We are hoping they will be able to attend all services Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March. There will be a potluck lunch following the 10am service that Sunday.

For about 16 months the Orchard family have been based at Mt Hagen in Papua New Guinea. Karl plays a vital role with the IT and communications in his role with MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship). This will be the first time they have visited us in person. Please come and meet them and spend time talking with them.

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

East Taieri Church  
12a Cemetery Rd,  
Mosgiel  
Services at 10am &  
2pm

NIGHT CHURCH  
12a Cemetery Rd,  
Mosgiel  
Term time only  
6.30pm

Welcome to the service 1 March 2026

10am & 2pm service: Peter Cheyne

Jesus In The Old Testament: Did People Meet Jesus?

[etchurch.co.nz](http://etchurch.co.nz) ph: 489 6308



### Jesus In The Old Testament

For three weeks we will be thinking about Jesus as He appears in the Old Testament. If you would like to explore this further there are resources at <https://sites.google.com/view/knowning-jesus/god/jesus/jesus-identity/messiah/jesus-in-the-old-testament>

Congregational Meeting: Next Steps With The Building Renovations  
We will hold congregational meetings after each of our four service on 15th March to approve moving ahead with our building plans.

This has been a long process. There are things we need to do and things we want to do. **There will be more information about this but in the meantime...** The roof, in particular, needs maintenance. Its disrepair is currently leading to deterioration in the building. But we also want to level the floor in the church, remove the pews, and have an overflow area in the Vestry. That is the immediate need, but we want to stage the project so that we can do subsequent upgrades as they become possible. We do not have the required number of toilets. We want to upgrade the kitchen, and improve the layout so that we do not have to walk through areas being used to get to other areas.

Getting the consents we need has been a long, drawn-out process but things are coming to a head. We have received permission from Synod. The next step is the congregational approval, then it goes to Presbytery. The elders and the congregation have approved each stage in the past. We need to approve what happens next.

Prior to the meetings on 15th March, there will be a meeting on Tuesday 10th March, 7pm in Oak Lounge, when anybody can ask questions and be brought up to speed.

#### **PRAYER RETREAT:**

**A guided day of Silent Prayer, Reflection & Meditation**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**East Taieri Church, 12a Cemetery Rd, Mosgiel**

**9am to 4pm**

**Broken vessels and Empty pots**

**Please let Paul & Mary know by Friday 6 March if you wish to attend:  
qpm.reet@gmail.com  
or 0274065959**

#### **Church Members Facebook Group**

We do have a closed Facebook group for church members only. It allows for updates and for discussion. There are sometimes extra resources.

In Facebook, search for "Church Members" (or go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1478185113590824>) and apply to join.



Mission Fellowship meeting in Oak Lounge at 2pm Tuesday 10 March.

Speaker: Joe Monuhali

Topic: City Mission in PNG - boys stories & their transformation.

All welcome

No market table this month

Building Fundraiser: Calling all Crafters

As part of our building fund, Chris Jones was wondering if all our clever crafters could start making Christmas gifts and handmade items to sell in December at a Christmas market or even a small shop.

If we start now, we'll have plenty of lovely things ready to sell. So let's put our phones and iPads down and pick up our knitting needles and craft tools instead 😊

I'd love to hear your thoughts and any ideas on how this might work.

Blessings, Chris ([lyndon.chris.85@gmail.com](mailto:lyndon.chris.85@gmail.com))

#### **Global Missions**

***Our next distribution to our missional families goes out soon. Those who wish to add to the church allocation for a specified family or to give generally (which means the money will be evenly split between the missionaries), please use the East Taieri Church bank account 02 0938 0018236 00 with the name of your nominated missionaries in the reference or place your gift in the offering in a nominated envelope as soon as possible. Please continue to pray for our missionaries, this is the greatest gift for them.***



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

*Confidential Prayer Chain available at all times.  
Please contact Adrienne Watson 027 387 4529 or  
Christine McKinlay 021 134 4484*

## Prayer at ET

Are you wanting to get involved in prayer for our Church, each other and the wider community? Here are a list of things we do at ET for prayer. If you want to find out more, please get in touch with Paul and Mary Reet ([gpm.reet@gmail.com](mailto:gpm.reet@gmail.com) or 027 406 5959)

**Praying with others-** We have a trained team of people who are available to pray with others during or after the service or at other times if needed. If you are interested in being part of this team, we are offering some training and support, as part of our regular team gatherings, on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March in the Oak Lounge from 7:30pm**. The team meets three times a year.

**Prayer chain-** This is a confidential group of intercessors who pray for individuals and situations. If you feel called to this **daily confidential prayer ministry**, please get in touch with Adrienne ([donadiwatson@gmail.com](mailto:donadiwatson@gmail.com)) or Christine ([christinemckinlay38@gmail.com](mailto:christinemckinlay38@gmail.com)).

**Prayer Breakfast-** This happens weekly on Thursdays from 7am in the Fellowship Room, all welcome

**Pre-service prayer-** Fuel from 8:15am & ET 9:45 in the window seats. All welcome

**People who pray-** This is a team of people across the whole Church who are on an email list called to pray confidentially for events (such as Ministry Conference, Easter camp, Christmas outreach) and issues that we face as a Church. If you want to be included in this please let Paul Reet know.

**Prayer Letter-** This is a prayer bulletin we issue every 2-3 months that covers the main focus prayer needs for the ministries of the Church and community. You can use this in your own prayer, with groups of others or in Church gatherings. If there are things you wish to be included please let Paul and Mary know.

### **Special Prayer Events**

- \* **Prayer Retreats**-We have 4 prayer retreats available this year for people to experience a day (9am to 4pm) of silent listening, corporate prayer, meditation and hearing from God. Dates are- **14<sup>th</sup> March, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 17<sup>th</sup> October and 28<sup>th</sup> November**. These will be advertised in the weekly bulletin but if you want to find out more please get in touch
- \* **Prayer gatherings for reasons**- From time to time we call people to prayer for specific reasons and sometimes for a concentrated time, for people to be prayed with. These are usually advertised in the bulletin.
- \* **Explore Prayer**- This is a course over three weeks, exploring the nature of prayer and practical ways we can make our prayer lives more effective. If you are interested in this course please contact Paul and Mary.

# On God's Team

Knowing How God Has Designed Us  
and Where God Has Called Us.



Thank you to those who have filled in the form. We would really appreciate it if everyone else could. Please bring it with you on Sunday, or drop it into the office, or use the online form (<https://forms.gle/egAjt7PiW4QV2HhJ6>). Please refer back to the email you received last Monday, or go to the [church website](#), for the links to the various resources. There will be more forms available on Sunday. Thank you very much.

There is information from the Prayer Team over the page. This is an example of one of our Core Ministries giving leadership and what we hope can be duplicated in lots of other areas!

World Day of Prayer  
Friday 6 March 2026, 1.30pm  
Salvation Army Mosgiel



**Fuel—Term time only**  
8.30am Sundays – faith discussion  
over breakfast  
10am Wednesdays—Mainly Music  
for pre- schoolers

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 0078236 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 Automated External Defibrillator. To watch a short video on how to 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 notice-board 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](mailto: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](http://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.

<p>Chapel 10am Monday mornings in Oak Lounge Join us for a short devotion followed by morning tea. Everyone welcome</p>	<p>For girls aged 7-10years during term time—games, craft and devotion</p>	<p><a href="http://www.facebook.com/EastTaieri">www.facebook.com/EastTaieri</a> To keep up to date with news and information check out our website:  <a href="http://www.etchurch.co.nz">www.etchurch.co.nz</a></p>	
<p><b>Prayer Breakfast</b> Sharing Life, eating &amp; praying together. Join us as we seek God's will &amp; blessing. Fellowship Centre @ ET Thursday 7am–8am. Everyone welcome.</p>	<p>Sugar &amp; Spice Tuesday fortnightly 6-7.30pm in Oak Lounge</p>	 <p>Please check the lost property basket at ET. It's located by the door to the playground.</p>	<p>The Global Missions Team meet every 4th Tuesday of the month, 3pm at East Taieri.. All welcome. Contact Elaine Scurr 486 1863 for more information.</p> 