



Kaiapoi Baptist Church Annual General Meeting Sunday 17th September 2023



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KBC MISSION & VISION

OUR MISSION: “Food for LIFE”

John 6:35

John 10:10

OUR VISION: LIFE

Acts 2:42-47

John 15:4-5

Our aim by 2024 is to be a community of people totally committed to fulfilling our mission by being intentional, authentic and creative in our:

Devotion to God through Christ – UP

Commitment to each other – IN, and

Outreach into the world – OUT

This vision will be accomplished through fervent prayer and through building on the following purposes:

Love

- We desire to be a community who covenant together to love God and love others. *Mark 12:28-31*
- We seek to offer opportunities of reverent and relevant worship. *John 4:23-24*
- We seek to have a church complex that best facilitates ministries to meet the spiritual, emotional, social and physical needs of people. *2 Corinthians 9:8*

Introduce

- We seek to be actively involved in the sharing of the gospel in Kaiapoi, the surrounding region, our nation and the world. *Matthew 28:18-20*
- We seek to build effective bridges into Kaiapoi and North Canterbury so as to help individuals and families meet Christ through acceptance, love, hope and healing; this is achieved in partnership with our Church Trust, the Person2Person Trust. *Galatians 6:9-10*
- We seek to serve others with no strings attached so we can meet the needs of people and make a difference in their lives; this is achieved in partnership with our Church Trust, the Person2Person Trust. *James 2:15-16*

Follow

- We seek to challenge people to be fully devoted to Christ and His cause through discipleship that equips them to grow spiritually, stand biblically and minister effectively. *Ephesians 4:11-16*
- We seek to give our time, energy and money in order to see lives transformed by Holy Spirit, in order that people can walk in the freedom and victory that Christ has given them. *1 Timothy 6:18-19*
- We seek to enable people to connect with each other through LIFE groups where discipleship, nurture and accountability takes place. *1 Corinthians 12:25-27*

Equip

- We seek to lay a strong foundation of Scripture and Prayer so that everything we do as a church comes out of that foundation. *Ephesians 6:10-18*
- We seek God's Spirit to empower people to discover and use their spiritual gifts. *1 Corinthians 12:4-7*
- We seek to develop ministries that will minister to the whole person so that people can experience spiritual, physical, emotional and mental healing and support; this is achieved in partnership with our Church Trust, the Person2Person Trust. *Luke 4:18-19*



Elder's Report

To the People of Kaiapoi Baptist Church,

We can celebrate a good year for our church. We have welcomed two new elders Simon Bichsel and David Ward and we farewelled David and Neville Wyatt. We also thanked Wayne Orchard for his tireless dedication to our financial records. Thank you to all these people for the work they did for our church family.

As always, God's timing is impeccable and during the year we heard that our insurance claims were unsuccessful. We then contracted the Kanuka Hopestill Trust to assist us in our planning. What an uplifting process to pray and fast together and to listen to God's words for us as a whole church. We are closer now to seeing some things happening. As we have been looking at Joshua as a church and Isaiah as a Life Group I have been reminded that things only happen when God makes them happen. And then they happen in a miraculous way.

Some of the highlights from this year have been:

- Praying and fasting for the vision*
- Worship on the first Thursday of the month*
- The Youth Group*
- The Financial accounts being healthier than the Budget again*

I would like to thank all those involved in the work of our church particularly all the people who give up their time to be part of the different teams such as the Youth, the Music, Life Groups and the running of the Sunday gathering. I would especially like to thank Annette and Simon who spend a lot of time organising, preparing and running around doing the job of several people at different times. We really appreciate the effort you put in for our church family.

I would also like to thank the people who are committed to the work of the Person To Person Help Trust. There is a lot of extra time and effort that goes into the work of the Trust in the community and we thank you for your dedication.

We are looking forward to the next year with excitement and anticipation. God has brought us through a process of reflection and healing and now we are starting to break some new ground.

*Yours in Christ
Sue Edwards (Chair of Elder's)*



Pastor's Report



They say that slow and steady wins the race and as we near the end of our seventh year it does feel slow and steady but we haven't yet won the race.

This year, like any year brings with it different highs and lows, joys and challenges. How can we appreciate mountain top moments with Jesus without the valleys. Pausing and reflecting on the previous year gives us space to see that God is always at work.

The start of this year has seen us take an indepth look at Ezra in relationship to our journey in the redevelopment of our property. We looked at Jude reminding us of Truth, then were challenged during Lent to live differently and concluded with a journey to Pentecost. It was wonderful to have other people share the Word while we were away—we are grateful to all those involved.

It was wonderful to be able to partner with the Church P2P Trust and host a weekend with Julia Grace. She inspired women with her personal journey. music and insights into mental wellbeing. It was great to see the women encouraging one another and an amazing dinner on the Saturday was a full house!

There are many people to thank, who encourage and support us. We are blessed to have a fabulous team of Elders who spend time individually and collectively seeking God's leading and wisdom for us as a community. We have had some precious a-ha moments as we have waited on God.

We are also thankful to our staff team, Karen as our office administrator and Jenny Orchard as our CAP Debt Help Centre manager. It is great to see God equipping and using people in their strengths, gifts and passions. We are thankful to the many volunteers in our community but would like to especially note Stewart Millar's work about the church and



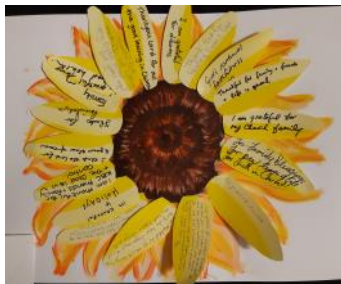
Barry Teague who is overseeing the gardens, thank you both very much. Our thankfulness and gratitude overflowed into our beautiful "In Everything Give Thanks" Dinner! Thanks to all those who made that come to life.



This year has been difficult as God has led family and friends to different places and spaces to worship all over the globe. It is great to remember that once we get to heaven we will be all back together worshipping God. As the song Blessed Be Your Name mentions, "You give and take away" and although God has taken people from us it has been a joy to see so many new people joining us.



Personally this year has had its moments from the highlights of Rebekah's jaw surgery and the miracle of finances made available for this and also for Madeleine to head off to YWAM (Youth With A Mission) for language study. God is good and His perfect timing is always the best. There has also been the difficult moments of our children all moving overseas in less than a week...I have cried and still do as I miss them all very much but grateful for technology and air travel to go and visit them. Lynn, Simon's Mum also moved into care after living with us for three years. We are thankful for our Church family who made her feel so loved and welcomed and helped rediscover her faith in Jesus.



So we continue to wait on God and His direction and leading. We are confident that God's presence will continue to lead us into this next adventure. He is faithful!



*Yours in Christ
Annette & Simon Williams*

Ministry Reports

Boxfit Ministry

Thanks Trish and Savannah for the following report, "Each week those who attend boxfit classes come along to workout in a friendly environment. It is exciting to see everyone encouraging each other and to see so much progress in strength and in confidence of everyone who attends. The classes provide a mixture of cardio, strength, circuit and boxing exercises and everyone gives it their all week after week. The two classes per week provide the opportunity for people to stay active and we are grateful that classes remain affordable and donations of canned goods go toward the community food bank. I'm so proud of everyone who attends Boxfit classes!"

Praise & Prayer Points:

- Thank you for the wonderful team of volunteers who serve with their gifts and skills.
- Pray for more of our congregation to join in so that we build relationships with the community who come.
- Pray for those who come, that they will experience more of the Good News of Christ.

CAP Christians Against Poverty

Kaiapoi Debt Help Centre

Thankful is where I begin this report. Last year I wrote that we should soon have two sets of clients on the way to becoming debt free. We now have two clients' debt free and one on the journey to becoming debt free! Our long-term client still has 1 year and 3 months to go and they are super committed to being debt free.

A comment from our long-term client: "We are so happy with the position CAP has been able to put us in to end the whole debt saga and put it behind us".

I may not walk the whole journey with the clients I meet, but God is still in those meetings. At the end of each session, we ask if it is ok to pray, as yet no one has refused. To get the opportunity to pray with people has been encouraging, because it is not what we do but what God can do.

The Pantry has been a bonus this year as we are able to take food

parcels out on visits to clients and they are always gratefully received. I continue to set up connections within the community. This is also for the budgeting course; everyone has been very happy to share the flyers for the budgeting course with their networks.

CAP Money—We now have Annette, Jan and myself trained as Money Coaches. We have set up the money course to run each term and although the uptake of participants hasn't been great it is slowly building.

I am so thankful for everyone who has a part in this ministry, those who pray, those who go out with me as support workers, Money coaches, everyone who gives food etc., for technical support, and the P2P Trust, it just wouldn't work without everyone working as a team. I am always looking for people to join the team, so talk to me to see where you may be able to help.

Blessings

Jenny Orchard—Centre Manager

*serve the poor, save the lost,
with the Church, across the nation*

Praise & Prayer Points:

- Thank you for the new opportunities to share financial freedom and the transforming power of Jesus with people.
- Thank you for Jenny Orchard, Centre Manager and the support team of volunteers.
- Pray for people who would like to train as CAP Money Coaches and also be part of the support team.
- Pray that more people will begin the journey to financial freedom!

Community Ministries

Partnered with

the P2P Help Trust



My verse for this year - Micah 6:8 New International Version

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

It has been a good year for me in the role of Community Coordinator for the Trust. Being able to have a wonderful group of volunteers step up and allow me to head away on an overseas holiday for near on 7 weeks! I feel truly blessed by them.

The use of the church auditorium, the café and the hub offers me great spaces to create opportunities for relationships to be built. Friday Fuller Kai lunches

have been running now for quite a number of years and over 90% of those that come would not have a church affiliation. It is great when I see KBC members come along as this builds connection.

The Monday morning mingle that operates at Rivertown Café is another welcomed opportunity for KBC members to interact with those who come from the community and again much appreciated by me. It is frequently a noisy one hour at the café.



Tuesday morning is Waka iti Playgroup which celebrated 10 years of operation as of May this year. It was good to be able to arrange a special celebration of this anniversary using the Rainbow Early Learning Centre as an area for families to come along for a special afternoons entertainment, including a balloon twister and bouncy castle. We currently have a numbers of mums with babies coming who are being referred to our group from the Plunket Nurse. This is wonderful and again the committee of Christian women that help support me each school term is another incredible blessing.

We are not meant to do life alone. God is paramount in all that we do at the Trust and thankfully he surrounds me with great people to do my role. There is much collaboration that happens in our district. Being able to share what is done by the Trust through network meetings allows great opportunities to hear what we do but also to hear and to work alongside others as in our own CAP-Christians Against Poverty programme at the church that Jenny Orchard heads up and also with agencies like Kaiapoi Community Support, North Canterbury Budgeting Services etc.

A contract created by the Trust with Natalie of Restore Natural Health and Counselling has made a positive difference to many playgroup mothers to date and my hope is that this may continue.

There are currently two other projects that fill my 20 hour week work. I collaborate with St Vincent De Paul at a project supporting those living at Pineacres Motorcamp, both as long term stayers and transient campers. There are many issues raised at the camp but I also get to witness community in action as well. I'm also involved with Depression Support Network facilitating a peer support group after hours at Rivertown Café on a fortnightly basis.



Audrey Dragovich

Praise & Prayer Points:

- Thank you for the wonderful team of volunteers who work each week being the hands and feet of Jesus.
- Pray that God will continue to build the relationships we have into the community and provide opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Children's Ministry



We are thankful for all the work that Rebecca Ward, Susie, Evie and Ruthie put in to create a space for our children in the first half of the year. The children enjoyed heading out to learn more about Jesus and loved their folders to keep all the activities in.

Currently our children are up the front listening to the message and working on activities related to this. A new family commented that they enjoyed the children up the front and seen, especially being new and not knowing where their children might be going and with whom.

It is lovely to have everyone in all together and we can both learn from each other. Let's continue to pray that God will work in the hearts of our children and they would all become life-long followers of Jesus Christ.

Praise & Prayer Points:

- Thank you for all the parents and grandparents who bring their children along each week to be a part of this community.
- Pray that our families will see the benefit of being present each week in our gatherings.
- May our numbers grow this year as more families are drawn into our faith community.

Global Mission

In 2022 we had Soup for Missions in July. This again was a great way to raise funds for the 3 missions groups we support. Hand made Bags and greeting cards have been sold at church, Fuller Kai and Rivertown café.

Missions income

Soup for Missions \$ 354.70

Cards/bags \$ 206.40

Census Rent \$ 550.00

General Missions \$2034.00 (this includes a one off donation to MAF of \$1000.)

Manna Home Giving \$2300.00

Total income \$5445.10

This was paid out

Manna Home \$3105.03

MAF Miles \$1670.03

Cindy & Ross \$ 670.04

Total paid out \$5445.10

As at 30 June 2023 we have stopped supporting Doug and Yvonne with MAF as they are retiring from their position.

We are currently supporting Manna home in Thailand and Cindy and Ross Mayer in Bangladesh.

Karen is missions team leader along with help from Jonno and Nicki Harris. There hasn't been any meetings this year with Karen being away so much.

Annette, Simon and Karen are leaving for Bangladesh and Thailand on the 28 September for 17 days to work with both organisations that we support. This is a self funded trip.

Praise & Prayer Points:

- Thank you for the work of Tranzsend and all our different missionaries on the ground in Far East Asia. Sustain and encourage them as they serve God especially in these difficult and changing times.
- Pray for the work of Manna Home in Thailand.
- Thank you for the years of service from Doug and Yvonne—pray God's blessing on them as they move to a new season of life.
- Thank you for our Global Missions team, continue to motivate and inspire them with ideas to raise funds and interest in the different mission organisations we support.

LIFE Groups



LIFE groups are a wonderful place of encouragement, fellowship, Bible study and prayer. Doing LIFE—through the good, the bad and the messy. We currently have seven groups meeting at least twice a month. There is always room for one more, so if you aren't in a LIFE group please prayerfully consider joining one and see what God does. Here is a glimpse into the life of a few of our Life Groups.

Peter and Karen Gardyne's Group—Our group of approx. 10 meets weekly throughout the year. We discuss a variety of topics and yes, even politics. Together we listen, read, watch and research viewpoints by a range of Christians and Jewish teachers.

This year we have taken a close look at some other countries. Of particular interest has been Israel with its long history and amazing prosperity over such a short time since forming a nation.

Through all this we look to find practical application of serving and praying for those around us and to encourage one another on our journeys as Christ followers.

Alison McBride's Tuesday Morning Life Group—Our morning group starts with morning tea and sharing our week, mostly pleasant, but occasionally our Concerns.this, after all our Life, we share to support each other and to pray for each other.

Our group consists of Beryl, Denise, Alison Warren, Sylvia, a lovely Salvation Army Major, and now we are thrilled to have two new ladies Andrea Priestly, and Evette Sidarous join us.

The meeting begins with prayer, and then we delve into the word. At the moment we are studying Acts and Paul's journey. Our discussions can be quite lively! Beryl leads us in a Hymn to finish then we close in prayer. There is always room for one more Ladies. Prayers for our health is always appreciated.

Shalom on you all.

Men's Life Group—We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, in the evening. Currently we have five members and we are currently working through a study on what it means to be a disciple. We enjoy the time we spend together both in the study of God's Word and also the conversations about life. It is great to see and hear men of God pray for one another and deepen relationship.

Tuesday's Women's Life Group—We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, in the evening. Currently we have five members and we are currently working through a study through the book of Isaiah. We have enjoyed growing more as a group, exploring God's Word and sharing and praying with each other.

Praise & Prayer Points:

- Thank you for the commitment people have made to serve in this ministry both to lead, facilitate and open up their homes.
- Pray that more people could commit to doing life together in their groups.
- Pray that we would see a deepening of relationships and discipleship across the Church community.
- Pray for a ministry team leader for LIFE groups.

Music Ministry

Firstly a huge thank you to all the people who give of their time and skills each week and serve in the music ministry. From sound techs, to AV, to singers and instrumentalists, we appreciate all you do so that we are able to gather and sing praise and worship to our awesome God and wonderful Saviour.

This year has brought added challenges with some of our team moving on to other places but God continues to provide and it's been wonderful to welcome new people to the team, who are interested in serving and using their gifts to glorify God and build up His Church.

We were also blessed to be able to upgrade the Church computer and software that runs our programmes for Sunday gatherings. This has made a huge difference for the technical team.

Praise & Prayer Points:

- Thank you Lord for the new computer and software upgrades.
- Praise God for this awesome team who faithfully serve each week in this ministry.
- Pray that we will continue to up-skill and be equipped for the task of leading people to worship God in Spirit and in Truth.

Annual General Meeting Sunday 11th September Minutes

The Meeting opened at: 12:23pm

Welcome/ Open in Prayer:

Video Clip: Photos of Church Life 2021-2022

Attendance & Apologies: 40 members
5 associates and 3 apologies

As per Attendance Sheet (attached)

Minutes Ratified:

Motion: "That the minutes of 19th September 2021 are a true and accurate record."

Moved: David Ward (Chair)

Seconded: Mark Millington

Discussion:

Motion: Agreed

Presentation of Reports: Annette

As contained in the Report Booklet dated 11th September

Discussion/Questions

Motion: "That the reports as contained in the AGM booklet dated 11th September be accepted."

Moved: David Ward Annette Williams

Seconded: Ali Mac

Discussion:

- Author of grace ladies group was sent from Julie Harrop.
- Boxfit - Are there a regular amount of people who go. 10 regulars. Suggested some church people attend.
- Jenny, Karen and Rebecca – commendation for all their work in the life of the church.

Motion: Agreed

Elect Scrutineer's for voting:

Person One: Clive Richardson

Person Two: Dave Cane

Motion: "That Clive Richardson and Dave Cane are elected as scrutineer's for voting."

Moved: David Ward (Chair)
Seconded: Ali Mac

Discussion:

Simon says we are voting for 5 people across 3 categories.

David Ward steps aside as Chair from the meeting and Simon Williams takes the Chair.

Voting of Elders:

Simon Bichsel
Sue Edwards
David Ward

Voting of Trustees:

Jonno McDonnell

Ratifying of Ministry Team Leaders:

Rebecca Ward as: Children's Ministry Team Leader

Motion: Agreed

David Ward resumes as Chair of the meeting.

Presentation of Financial Report and Budget 2022-2023: Wayne

Motion: "That the financial report and budget for 2022-2023 be accepted."

Moved: Wayne Orchard (Treasurer)

Seconded: Dave Cane

Discussion:

- Performance report will be going on the website after the meeting for the charities commission.
- Wayne discussed the budget.
- A couple of questions were asked by Keith, Maddy and Neville.
- Driveway fund - should it be included in the building fund? Discussion was had. Maddy shared her thoughts on tithing.

Motion: Agreed

Thank you for your service:

- Simon – Simon gave a lovely speech for wayne as he is stepping down from his role as treasurer. He presented him with a gift and prayed him out.
- Alison McBride – Thanked Neville Neville is stepping down from his role as Elder. Ali gave a speech about Neville. Servant heart. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Ali presented him with

a gift and prayed him out.

Outcome of Voting: All approved

General Business:

- Church service time. We trial a 10am start. Thoughts on this.
- Jonno Parking is better at 10:30 but liked 10am.
- Older people found the earlier time harder to be ready for.
- Jenny Shackel asked that we start on time. Show of hands for start time and most said 10am.
- Simon mentioned that this wasn't on the agenda so we may have to wait and ask those who aren't here. We will revisit this in a friendly way and hear the voice of the whole church.
- What if the service was shorter? Meeting together is what we do as Christians. Be on time. Make it important.
- Maddy – Show that we are committed to each other and God.
- Ric – People in a position to give your tax rebate back to the church your giving goes up 33% a year.

Close in Prayer:

The meeting closed at: 1:33pm

Financial Overview 2022-24

A full financial summary will be presented at the Annual General Meeting and our latest Management Report is available on request.

	Budget	Actual	Budget
INCOME	2022-2023	2022-2023	2023-2024
Offerings	\$ 145,000	\$ 154,706	\$ 160,000
Other Income	\$ 6,550	\$ 10,246	\$ 11,450
Total Income	\$ 151,550	\$ 164,952	\$ 171,450
EXPENDITURE			
1. Ministry Personnel Expenses	\$ 91,548	\$ 92,861	\$ 93,647
2. Programme Expenses - (Mission & Ministry)	\$ 9,000	\$ 7,197	\$ 27,150
3. Supporting Others	\$ 700	\$ 598	\$ 300
4. Baptist Expenses	\$ 10,850	\$ 7,751	\$ 7,700
5. Property and Plant Expenses	\$ 26,350	\$ 32,064	\$ 34,450
6. Administration Expenses	\$ 21,600	\$ 15,829	\$ 21,100
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$ 156,698	\$ 156,300	\$ 184,347
Surplus/Shortfall before Capital Expenditure	\$ (5,148)	\$ 8,652	\$ (12,897)
Capital Expenditure	\$ 2,100	\$ 1,767	\$ NIL
Surplus/Shortfall after Capital Expenditure	\$ (7,248)	\$ 6,885	\$ (12,897)

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