

ROSTERS FOR EMMANUEL CONGREGATION
PLEASE LEND A HAND

Next Week	10th July 2011
Preaching	Rev Dr Hedley Fihaki
Elder	M Bola
Bible Reading	Robyn Hall
Stewards	L Buckley & A Van Luyk
Cashiers	A Van Luyk & B Walter
Morning Tea	PNG Ladies
Cleaning	Emmanuel
Sound System	Peter Cresswell
Grounds	Emmanuel
Song Leader	Jessy

TITHES/OFFERINGS/DONATIONS

	Per Week	Year To Date
Budgeted (2011 figure)	\$1,557.70	\$40,500.20
Received 26/06/11	\$1,332.70	\$39,341.90

Worship Services

SUNDAY SERVICES

ENGLISH - EMMANUEL
9:00 a.m. Church

SAMOAN
11:00 a.m. Hall

KOREAN
11:30 a.m. Church

COOK ISLAND
3:00 p.m. Church

Prayer Meeting Church
6: 30 p.m.

EVENING SERVICE

MOOROOBOOL
7:00 p.m.
Mooroobool
Community Hall
2 Long Street

MONTHLY SERVICE

FIJIAN
To be advised

SATURDAY SERVICE

**TORRES STRAIT
WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**
10:00 a.m. Hall

**EMMANUEL UNITING CHURCH
MINISTRY TEAM**

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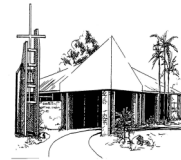
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KEEPING IN TOUCH
3rd July 2011

**Mission Statement: To worship God, grow in faith and reach out
with His love to others.**
WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ

Put God 'First' in All Things

'...I require your...firstfruits...' Ezekiel 20:40 AMP

God wants to be number one in your life! When He's not, things won't work out right for you. Instead of asking God to bless your agenda, ask Him to give you an agenda He can bless. Jesus was able to say *yes* to one thing and *no* to another because He understood God's agenda for the day. Can you point to a single stressed-out or confused moment in Christ's life? No, when conflict arose He said, '...I always do what pleases Him.' (John 8:29 NIV) That's because He took time to consult His Father.

How long are you going to allow yourself to be pulled in 101 different directions? Nothing will change until you decide to give God what He requires-your 'firstfruits'. Don't give Him the part of your day when you're worn out, can't think straight and can hardly keep your eyes open; give Him the best part of your day. That's where your true priorities will be discovered. From getting dressed to setting your schedule, ask Him to help you make choices that glorify Him. As you become more and more aware of His presence, it'll be impossible to 'compartmentalise' Him. Ordinary events will become sacred events because He's involved in them. Ask Him to direct you in the choices you make and to empower you for the jobs you need to get done. Keep Him first in everything you set out to do, and He will show you the path that leads to peace. Following the moment-by-moment leadership of the Holy Spirit will cause you to enjoy every day of your life.

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Notices

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDIES

10.00AM—12.00PM
LIBRARY

THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES

7.00PM—9.00PM
MINISTRY CENTRE

Thank You, God, for Your enduring, unending love. Help us to be instruments of restoration for those who have wandered from You.

Dear Lord, thank You for Your wonderful love. In times of persecution, help us to trust You for strength and courage.

Faithful God, no matter how difficult the circumstances may get, help us to focus on who we are and to whom we belong, trusting that You alone will supply all that we need.

Dear God, give us signs of Your presence. May the touch of Your hand be real to us and remind us that everything will always be okay for You are with us.

Dear God, help us do the things that will bring us closer to You.

Thank You, Lord, for being aware of our every need. Bless us with Your love, and provide for us.

Dear Heavenly Father, make us more aware of Your surprises all around us.

(If two of you on earth agree about what ever they may ask, it will come to pass and be done for them by My Father in Heaven.) Matthew 18:19)

Bible Readings

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 3rd July 2011

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

A Wife for Isaac

Psalms 89:1-4, 15-18

A Hymn in Time of National Trouble

Romans 7:15-25a

The Conflict in Man

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Come to Me and Rest

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday July 10th 2011

Genesis 25:19-34

The Birth of Esau and Jacob

Psalms 119:105-112

Light from the Law of the Lord

Romans 8:1-11

Life in the Spirit

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Parable of the Sower



Happy Birthday

Donaleen Simpson 5th July

Roger Brading 5th July

Paula Cokanavula 6th July

Thought for the day

When we know we're obeying God, we can endure whatever comes at us.

What does it mean to 'rest in God'?

Sometimes, all you can do is rest in God.

Life can be maddeningly frustrating at times. You can feel discouraged, lonely, and so soul-tired that you don't know what to do.

That's when it's time to rest in God. It's not giving up. It's not giving in to despair. Rather, it's turning your life over to God to let him fix it. He promised to do just that:

For nothing is impossible with God. (Luke 1:37)

We're not used to handing control over to anyone else. We want to do it **our** way, on **our** timing. We don't trust other people to do things exactly the way we want them, and sometimes we have a darn hard time trusting God, either.

But can you think of anyone more competent than God? Can't the all-powerful being who created the universe and who keeps it running take care of **your** problem?

When you rest in God, you don't tell him what to do or how to do it. You take a break from your trouble. You sit on God's lap and take a nap.

"Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt. 11:28)

It means trusting. Surrendering. Not interfering. It means having so much faith in him that we can finally have some peace. Again, by losing our life--turning it over to him completely--we gain it.

Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

-Psalm 27:14 (NRSV)

Source: <http://www.inspiration-for-singles.com/rest-in-God.html>



The Prophet Isaiah wrote of the Lord:
"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."
(Isaiah 26:3)