

A Call to Pray

for our younger generations,
our first third, in Aotearoa
Sunday 25 May, 5pm

**Let's celebrate the
end of Youth Week
(19-25 May) by joining
in prayer together
across our motu,
across Aotearoa.**

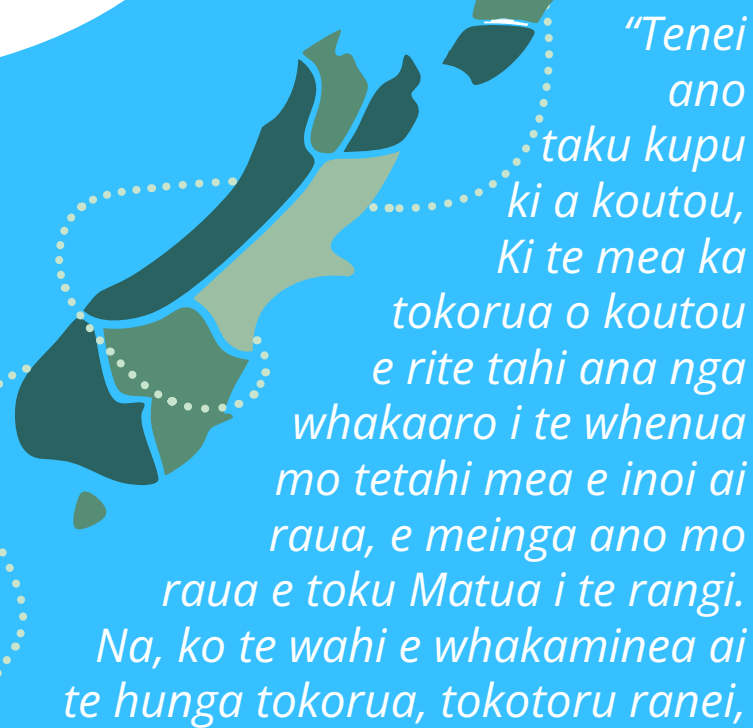
Let's go to high ground,
hill tops, mountain tops
or places of significance
on our whenua, in our land.

Let's worship and pray
wherever we are, joining
together in prayer for our
communities, our nation,
for our tamariki, our children
and our rangatahi, our young
people.

**Let's pray for all the
generations to connect
together and for Jesus to
be in the midst of it all.**

Spread the word

Share this call to prayer across the churches in
your community. Spread the news wherever you
can and invite people, families, all ages to get
involved and pray.



*"Tenei
ano
taku kupu
ki a koutou,
Ki te mea ka
tokorua o koutou
e rite tahi ana nga
whakaaro i te whenua
mo tetahi mea e inoi ai
raua, e meinga ano mo
raua e toku Matua i te rangi.
Na, ko te wahi e whakaminea ai
te hunga tokorua, tokotoru ranei,
he whakaaro ki toku ingoa, kei reira
ahau kei waenganui i a ratou."*

*"Again, truly I tell you that if two of
you on earth agree about anything
they ask for, it will be done for them
by my Father in heaven. For where
two or three gather in my name,
there am I with them." Matthew
18:19 & 20 (NIV)*

Spotify Playlist

with worship songs
to play as we pray
together and lift
God's name on high



Why pray?

We are so aware of the challenges our young people are facing

And for many, the tough issues they navigate have become their new normal. As we enfold them into our churches and communities, we stand together in prayer and trust God to journey alongside us

Some of the issues they are navigating, include:

- Anxiety, depression, suicide, self-harm
- Addictions to: devices, gaming, pornography, substances
- Behavioural & eating disorders
- Disconnecting in many ways: socially, school, community – and for some, even whānau
- Discrimination
- Extreme bullying, including cyberbullying
- Increased awareness of global issues: climate change, wars, natural disasters
- Increased Incidents of violence
- Isolation
- Lack of knowledge about, and a disconnect with, God.

Worship song ideas

If you don't have a Spotify account some of the songs on this playlist are:

- Jesus what a beautiful name
- Worthy of it all
- How great Thou art / Whakaaria mai
- Holy forever
- I speak Jesus
- Te Aroha
- Tuhia
- He Tapu te Ariki
- Let it rain
- Ko koe Io (You are supreme)

Our prayer

Our Tamariki, our children, our rangatahi, our young people need a fresh revelation of God.

They need freedom, a sense of belonging and a sense of worth grounded in our Creator.

Our Tamariki, our children, our rangatahi, our young people need peace and a sense of security, to be safe. They need to be loved well and to have healthy and life-giving connections.

Our Tamariki, our children, our rangatahi, our young people need a renewed sense of hope.

They need laughter and joy. They need God!

Our Tamariki, our children, our rangatahi, our young people need all of these things need to be louder than other voices, devices, noise, social media and news.