

# Caring for Our People

Manaakitia ā tātou tāngata

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*As-salāmu ‘alaykum. Peace be with you.*

## Face Masks, our new accessories!

It is important to know the Government's and other requirements of when and how to wear a Face Mask.

[http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring\\_for\\_our\\_people/covid19/supportinformation#facemasks](http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring_for_our_people/covid19/supportinformation#facemasks)



## TREAT YOUR MASK LIKE UNDERWEAR.



**You're not fully dressed without it.**

- Wear it out of respect for others.
- Fit matters. It should be tight, yet comfortable.
- Cover up. It should fit over your nose and mouth.
- Keep it clean. Wash it daily, or as needed.
- Do not touch or adjust it. Especially in public.
- It's personal. Do not borrow or lend it to others.
- Keep it in good condition. If it's damaged, get a new one.
- Keep it on in shared spaces. Only remove it when you are alone and in a private space.



## Further Fire Lessons – Fire evacuations... did you know?

During Covid-19: The need to have trial evacuations or evacuation training programmes is temporarily suspended.

Further information: <https://www.fireandemergency.nz/business-and-landlords/evacuation-schemes/>

Landlords must ensure buildings have evacuation procedures – and in some cases evacuation schemes – in place for the safe, prompt and efficient evacuation of occupants. Landlords run the fire drills for everyone.

Further information: [http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring\\_for\\_our\\_people/emergency\\_response\\_plans](http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring_for_our_people/emergency_response_plans)

If a church is capable of holding 100 or more people, it needs an evacuation scheme approved by Fire and Emergency NZ. (Other conditions apply, but the 100 people number is a reasonable starting point).

Further information: [CLICK HERE](#) to see the overview of creating your own Emergency Response Plan

Help is available to create your Emergency Response Plan! Send a floor plan of your church to [healthandsafety@methodist.org.nz](mailto:healthandsafety@methodist.org.nz) and refer to [http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring\\_for\\_our\\_people/emergency\\_response\\_plans](http://www.methodist.org.nz/caring_for_our_people/emergency_response_plans). Trudy will help you create a plan and guide you through the process (via Zoom if not in person).

**Ka wera hoki i te ahi, e mana ana anō.** *While the fire burns, your authority is effective.*

In this instance, this whakataukī speaks about the ahi kā or 'fires of occupation' as a traditional means of confirming and sustaining mana whenua.

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