

06 October 2024

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P.O. Box 351,
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SERVICE TIMES

Bible Study & Sunday School

Bible Study 9:00- 9:45 AM.
Sunday School 9:00-9:45 AM
Young Adults 9:00- 9:45 AM.
Youth 9:00- 9:45 AM.

Sunday Worship

AM: 10:00 - 11:15

PM: 18:00 –19:00

Living a new life in Christ

From the desk of Dereck...

Service Requires Trust

Over the last few years, it has become clear that South Africa has experienced a recession. While there is still much debate on this issue, one look at fuel prices or a trip to the supermarket will show that there is a lot of uncertainty these days. Many of us pay much more attention to how we spend our time and money to deal with this. We are weighing our priorities and cutting out what we see as less important. Where are we placing our priorities?

In **1 Kings 17:8-16**, God tells the prophet Elijah to go to Zarephath, where he will meet a widow God prepared to provide for him. When Elijah meets her, he does as he was told and asks for water and a morsel of bread.

In verse 12, we learn that this is no small request. All she has left is a handful of flour and a little oil. Her situation is so desperate that she tells Elijah, **"I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die."**

Elijah understands her apprehension, so he comforts her with the revelation that God is going to perform a miracle. If she is willing to put her faith in God and serve, she and her son will eat for many days. With great trust, the widow obeys Elijah, and God keeps His promise (**v. 13-16**).

As Christians, we have a great responsibility to provide for our families. **1 Timothy 5:8** tells us, **"But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever."** However, we also have responsibilities to the church. In Jesus Christ, we have been given freedom from sin, and God expects us to use our liberty for the church. Paul says in **Galatians 5:13**, **"For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."**

While our duty to our families is essential, we can't allow our worries to keep us from making time for the church, which is the body of Christ. In many cases, we will sacrifice service to God for things far less important than food. We worry about our kids' grades, sporting events, or recitals instead of worship, devotionals, and service projects. Of course, extracurriculars are not wrong, but some of us treat them like our child's life depends on it.

God has promised us to care for our needs (**Matt. 6:25-32**). If we want to be valuable servants to Him, we must trust Him to meet and even exceed our needs. We need to have faith like the widow from Zarephath, who did not withhold anything she had from the Lord. Let's not allow our earthly worries to keep us from being faithful servants of God.

Have a fantastic week ahead.

Love in Christ

Dereck

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LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Tuesdays at 10am

Contact: Sue 063 779 9914 or Ali 084 5584 508

MID WEEK BIBLE STUDY CLASS

Wednesday 7.00 - 8.00 pm

SMALL GROUPS

Thursday evening group, Bible Study

Thursday 7.00—8.00pm

Contact: Johan G 083 233 4726 or Darryn 072 385 9062

YOUTH FRIDAYS 18H30—20H00 (alternates)

Kids for Christ Grade 2 to Grade 7

Contact: Tish 084 398 8556 or Gaynor 072 111 5220

YOUTH Grade 8 to Grade 12

Contact: Johan & Gaynor Pienaar 083 456 0791

PRAYER REQUESTS

Those who are ill/surgeries: Mike Botha, Celia Leibbrandt, Heather Johnson, Reg Townsend, Dianne Branford, Thinus Buys, Johan Kleynhans

The bereaved: Our love & condolences to Ethne Bresler, Cindy Peinke and family and all those who have lost loved ones. May the God of comfort be with you.

The elderly & those in need of prayer: SA Bible College, our country & leaders & world leaders, and those affected by the wars in the Ukraine, Palestine & Israel.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Stella Crous	06 Oct
Sharon Benton	10 Oct
Males Tomlinson	10 Oct
Denise Botes	11 Oct
Junaid Jacobs	11 Oct
Volkmar Salzmann	11 Oct

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Males & Karin Tomlinson—11 Oct

TUESDAY LADIES' CLASS

Teaching: Coral

Book: In Christ Alone

A look at Blessings in Ephesians 1

Sanctification: Eph 1:4

Announcements & prayer: Ali



THURSDAY GROUP

Durbanville group will meet at the home of Criston Sloan.

Joe will be teaching.

Please contact Christa Gerber 084 897 4974 with any queries.

Malmesbury/Paarl group also meet on a Thursday, on zoom.

Please contact Darryn McLachlan 072 385 9062 for the details



SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

Devotional evening

Date: Sun 13 October at: **6pm**

Lazama Hlela will bring us the devo



UPCOMING EVENTS

Somerset West Sing-A-Long
06 October at 15h00

Church work day: TBC Oct /Nov

Family Fun Day: Saturday 07 Dec

Sunday School Prize-Giving: Sun 08 Dec

Sunday School Picnic: Sun 08 Dec

Green Pastures Christmas Carols:
Monday 09 December



SUNDAY SCHOOL 9am—9:45am

DATE	06 October	13 October
Cradle roll	Tish	Tish
Age 4—6	Devereaux & Lauren	Devereaux & Lauren
Grade 1—2	Lydia	Anemari
Grade 3 - 4	Ludia	Anemari
Grade 5 - 7	Darryn & Danelle	Darryn & Danelle

THIS WEEK 06 October 2024

AM	PM
Dereck Beukes	
Jonathan Leibbrandt	
Juan Thomas	
Juan, Leonard, Lazama, Allen	
Johan Pienaar	
Dereck Beukes	Song & Prayer
Lazama Hlela	
Jorren	

DUTY ROSTER

ANNOUNCEMENTS
SONG LEADER
LORD'S SUPPER
AM SERVERS
SCRIPTURE & PRAYER
PREACHING
CLOSING PRAYER
COMMUNION
TEA
Sound

NEXT WEEK 13 October 2024

AM	PM
Dereck Beukes	
Joe Tshililo	
Criston Sloan	
Criston, Tendani, Jorren, Duan	
Tendani Mabuda	
Dereck Beukes	Devo Evening
Jorren Sloan	
Charles	

FINANCES

God bless you
as you excel
In your giving -
2 Cor. 8 : 7



**BANKING DETAILS
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