



# Staying Connected 17 November 2024

## Office Details

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Mon - Thurs 08:30 to 14:00  
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### Sunday Service Times:

07:30  
09:00  
18:30

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## Bible Readings

**17 to 23 November 2024**

**Sunday** Mark 13 : 1 - 8  
**Monday** Psalm 3  
**Tuesday** Hebrews 10 : 32 - 39  
**Wednesday** Mark 13 : 9 - 23  
**Thursday** Acts 7 : 54 - 8 : 1 (a)  
**Friday** 1 Corinthians 15 : 20 - 28  
**Saturday** Psalm 132 : 1 - 12

## From the Minister's Desk

When comedy actors Adam Sandler or Rob Schneider feature in a movie, you can count on the fact that somewhere in the film, the other actor will make a brief cameo appearance and shout out from the middle of a crowd with a thick Spanish accent, "you can do it!" I don't know what the back-story is, but the phrase (with the accent) has entered popular culture (and can occasionally be heard in our home too!)

Do you have someone in your life cheering you on like that? It's a very powerful thing when you are under pressure in some way and you look up to see a reassuring face and hear a voice calling out, "you can do it!". That's the image that the writer to the Hebrews creates in Hebrews 11 and 12. The book lays out a long list of heroes of the faith and then describes them as "a cloud of witnesses" lined up along the streets cheering us on as we run our race. I can almost hear them shouting "you can do it" with outrageous Spanish accents :)

The unsung hero that we are meeting on Sunday would fit right into that crowd of encouragers. Barnabas' contribution to the early church often goes unnoticed, but his story intersects with the lives of a number of key church leaders and the role he played in empowering them was absolutely vital.

Can you name a Barnabas in your life? Are you being a Barnabas for someone else?

## Combined Service :

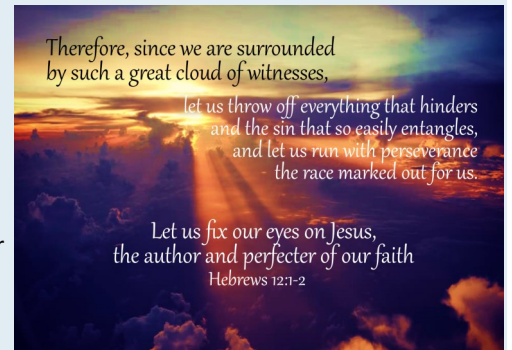
There will be a Combined Service at 09:00 on Sunday 8 December. **(There will be NO 07:30 service and NO 18:30 service on this day).** We will be gathering in one service at 09:00 and as part of our worship, we will be reflecting on the year that has been and looking ahead with hope to 2025. It will be a great chance to be all together in one place as we give thanks to God for his faithfulness in these challenging times.

## Quiet Day

You are invited to a Quiet Day : **Make Room** led by David Barbour. At St Agnes Kloof on Saturday 23 November from 09:00 to 15:00. Donation / Bring a picnic lunch / Tea, coffee provided. RSVP by 20 November : pastoral@stagnes.org.za

## Donations of Fabric and Wool

If you have any donations of fabric or wool for our many outreach projects, please place them in the black box outside the church office. Thank you.



Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses,

let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

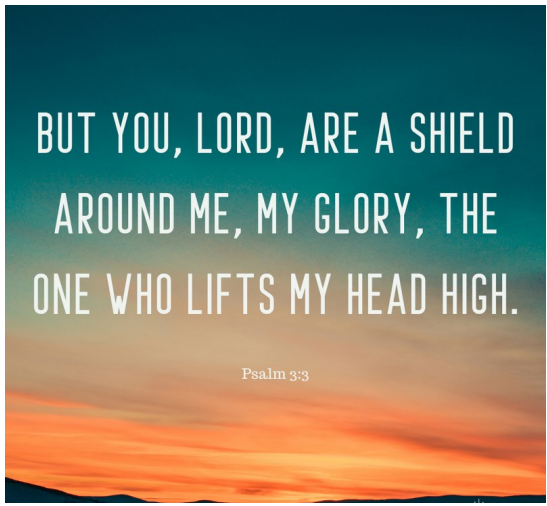
Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith  
Hebrews 12:1-2

ONE SERVICE  
**SUNDAY**  
Sunday  
8 December

**Advent is almost upon us. This season of joyful hope and eager expectation helps us to prepare for the celebration of the Saviour's birth at Christmas. Advent commences on Sunday 1 December.**

**You are invited to a Westville Churches  
Advent Ecumenical Service  
At Our Lady of Lourdes Church  
at 6:00pm on Wednesday 4 December.**





**BUT YOU, LORD, ARE A SHIELD  
AROUND ME, MY GLORY, THE  
ONE WHO LIFTS MY HEAD HIGH.**

Psalm 3:3



*Helene Herbst  
Hane van der Merwe*

*Migel Nicolson*

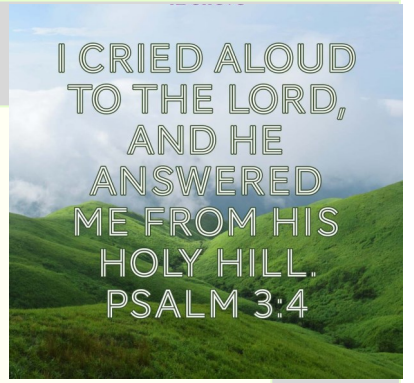
*Haroshen Govender  
Lynda Goosen  
Sané Ndlovu*

*Lynese Morris*

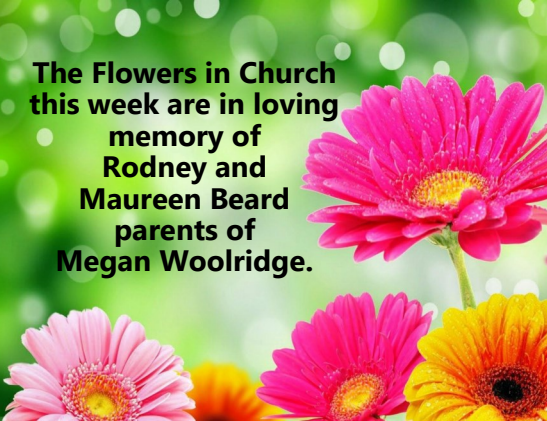
*Roxanne Cappell  
Letitia Norris  
Horizon Farm  
James Dunford  
Raymond A. Blom  
Sue Carter*

*Cameron Smith  
Brandon Walker  
Shirleen Prydderch  
Dorothy Foster  
John Cave  
Zayden Govender  
Shelley Reed*

Pain Relief  
Critical condition after  
accident in Portugal  
Released from hospital  
after accident in  
Portugal  
Cancer Treatment  
Cancer - Treatment  
Further treatment -  
Endometriosis  
Cancer : Pain Control /  
Treatment  
Strength and Support : Pregnancy  
Strength and Peace  
Financial Stability  
Cancer  
End Stage Dementia  
Post operative recovery and general prayer  
Multiple Sclerosis  
Effects of Long Covid - Fatigue  
Bipolar Treatment  
Recovering from Surgery  
Cancer  
Kidney function Improvement  
Motor Neuron Disease / ALS



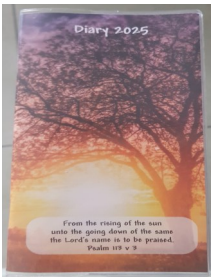
**I CRIED ALOUD  
TO THE LORD,  
AND HE  
ANSWERED  
ME FROM HIS  
HOLY HILL.  
PSALM 3:4**



**The Flowers in Church  
this week are in loving  
memory of  
Rodney and  
Maureen Beard  
parents of  
Megan Woolridge.**

**Ongoing Prayer**

*Stephen Adams, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker,  
Janita Downing, Debbie Ivins, Evelyn Kolbe, Megan  
Moody, Doff Ponsie, Nicky Proctor, Siswana Family,  
Sherwyn Sullivan.*



**2025 W.A. Diary  
The 2025 W.A.  
Diary is available  
from the church  
office at a cost of  
R40 each.**



**Birthday this coming week**

**Julia Jones** Monday 18 November  
**Matthew Sivertsen** Tuesday 19 November  
**Paul Prydderch** Friday 22 November  
**Kelly Reilly** Saturday 23 November

**If your name should be listed here, or if there are  
any errors, please contact the church office.**



**Knits Wits Get-Together on  
Saturday 9 November**

- \* 45 ladies attended
- \* 50 blankets were handed to Susan from '67 Blankets'.
- \* 12 nap blankets were handed to Mari van der Merwe for distribution to Creches through CCRC : Communities Children and Responsible Care.
- \* 100 blankets have been distributed since July.

**Thank you to the Westville  
Methodist Church Congregation  
for your support.**



**Church Bank Details**

**Acc:** Westville Methodist Church  
**Acc No:** 58880668126  
**Bank:** First National Bank  
**Branch:** Westville **Br Code:** 223526



**Please let your friends and family know about  
the WMC Christmas Market. There are over 30  
independent market stalls signed up already,  
the much anticipated Jumble Sale and various  
food vendors. Please pop in to the church on  
the morning of Saturday 30 November for a  
fun filled morning of shopping and fellowship.**