



Staying Connected 15 December 2024

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07:30
09:00
18:30

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Bible Readings

15 to 21 December 2024

Sunday	Isaiah 12:2-6
Monday	Hebrews 13:7-17
Tuesday	Acts 28:23-31
Wednesday	Luke 7:31-35
Thursday	Psalms 80:1-7
Friday	Isaiah 42:10-18
Saturday	Luke 13:31-35

From the Minister's Desk

Good things happen when we are all together! Last Sunday was our annual combined service and we celebrated the second Sunday of Advent with a full church.



We also used the service to reflect on the year that has been and give thanks for the goodness of God and the generosity and faithfulness of God's people.

Our 2025 budget was approved and we confirmed the renewed appointment of David Jordan as our Treasurer and Anelisa Jidana and Felicity Williams as incoming society stewards.

As we look ahead with hope to 2025 we were challenged by the remarkable witness of John the Baptist to be people who, in the words of Oswald Chambers, offer "My utmost for his highest" - bringing the very best we have to offer to God.

After the service we had a chance to say farewell and thank you to Laura Heale for the gift she has been to our community over these many years. A sad moment for WMC but an exciting time for Laura and Alan as they finalise their travel plans.



Thank You

THANK YOU TO THE CHURCH EXECUTIVE, STAFF AND THE WMC CHURCH FAMILY FOR ALL THE GIFTS, WELL WISHES, PRAYERS AND THE GENEROUS FINANCIAL GIFT THAT I RECEIVED. WESTVILLE METHODIST WAS MY SPIRITUAL HOME FOR MANY YEARS AND I FEEL VERY BLESSED TO HAVE SPENT 16 YEARS WORKING IN THE OFFICE. YOU ALL MEAN SO MUCH TO ME IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS AND MY LIFE IS SO MUCH MORE REWARDING FOR THE INTERACTIONS THAT WE HAVE HAD OVER THE YEARS. WMC IS SUCH A BEAUTIFUL CHURCH AND YOU ALL MADE IT SUCH A HAPPY PLACE TO BE.

With warmest blessings, Laura Heale



We're looking for volunteers to **help serve tea** as well as **lead a tea group of their own**

If you're available and willing to lend a hand, please contact the office.

Call us on 031 266 5222

WhatsApp us on 081 885 4928

Email us at office@westvillemethodist.co.za

Your hospitality will help create a warm and welcoming atmosphere for our community.

Thank you.





Birth Announcement

Brigitta and Gerry Woudberg are delighted to announce the arrival of their precious granddaughter: Charlotte Pearl Cappell Born on 9 December

Thank you for all your prayers. Our hearts are overflowing with joy.

Pastoral Care



Please let the church office staff know if you are ill or going into hospital. Your name will only be put on the prayer list with your consent. We would appreciate your co-operation in this regard so that we can visit or offer help. Letting us know helps us to show care!



Birthdays this coming week

- Derek Gallichan** Monday 16 December
- George Govender** Monday 16 December
- Helene Herbst** Thursday 19 December

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

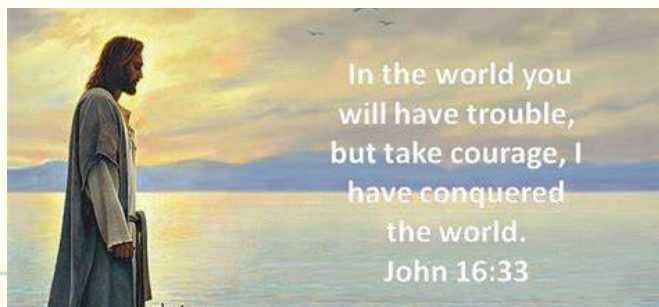
Church Bank Details

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



Tienie Dearham
 Helene Herbst
 Hane van der Merwe
 Migel Nicolson
 Haroshen Govender
 Lynda Goosen
 Sané Ndlovu
 Lynese Morris
 Letitia Norris
 Horizon Farm
 James Dunford
 Raymond A. Blom
 Sue Carter
 Brandon Walker
 Shirleen Prydderch
 Dorothy Foster
 John Cave
 Zayden Govender
 Shelley Reed

Virus in her left ear, affecting balance and hearing
 Pain Relief
 In Hospital - off the ventilator
 Released from hospital after accident in Portugal
 Cancer Treatment
 Cancer Treatment
 Further treatment - Endometriosis
 Cancer : Pain Control / Treatment
 Strength and Peace
 Financial Stability
 Cancer
 End Stage Dementia
 Post operative recovery and general prayer
 Effects of Long Covid - Fatigue
 Bipolar Treatment
 Recovering from Surgery
 Cancer
 Kidney function Improvement
 Motor Neuron Disease / ALS



Ongoing Prayer

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



Christmas Day Collection



Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre, based in Malvern, is a residential place of safety that cares for 65 children who have been removed from their parents because of sexual and / or physical abuse, severe neglect, abandonment, and those orphaned by HIV/Aids. They have been caring for and loving children since their inception in 1907. Ethelbert's main priority is to break the cycle of abuse and to build up the self-esteem and confidence of the children in their care. The child-orientated programmes, dedicated residential social worker, psychologist and childcare workers help children in their care to develop positive life-skills in a secure and loving environment. The entire Christmas Day collection goes to Ethelbert. Please bear this in mind when you prepare for this time, and if you would like to give to this worthy cause, even if you are planning to be away over Christmas, let us have your contribution in an envelope clearly marked 'Ethelbert' before you leave.