09 October 2022

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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

10.00 - 11.15 AM.

PM Suspended for time being

### From the desk of Dereck...

## As Long As I Am in This Body

In the closing verses of John, Jesus foretold the nature of the death of Peter. He reminded Peter of that time when he was young and could dress himself and was free to go wherever he wanted. He then said, "But when you are old another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish."

The Holy Spirit then adds these comments, "This He said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God" (John 21:18-19). Tradition says that Peter was crucified, but, at his request, he was crucified upside down for he did not feel worthy to die like Jesus.

We are not sure of the details of Peter's death, but we do have his writings shortly before he died. "Knowing that shortly I must put off my tent, just as the Lord Jesus Christ showed me" (2 Pet. 1:14). They show us how he used the short time he had.

Note how Peter regarded his own body. It was just a tent. It was not his eternal dwelling. Some who pay so much attention to keeping the body fit and healthy, getting proper exercise and eating the proper food, fail to realise that while bodily exercise profits, godliness is "...profitable for all things, having promise for the life that now is and of that which is to come" (1 Tim. 4:8). Paul speaks of how in this tent we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed in heavenly garments (2 Cor. 5:1-2). We must never forget that our body is simply a tent which we lay aside in death.

With death approaching, what was Peter doing with the time he had left? He was spending time with those who already knew truth and was not negligent in reminding the saved of these matters, so that they could continue to be established in the truth they already knew (2 Pet. 1:12).

He was spending time "as long as I am in this tent" to always remind them and to stir them up by that reminding (2 Pet. 1:12-13). There is a grave danger in the lives of Christians today of a vital truth. As they mature, they reach a point when they think they no longer need Sunday Bible classes, Sunday evening service and Wednesday classes. Failure to continue to study the Bible or to think we already know it is so dangerous. Peter knew the Christians to whom he was writing already knew what he was telling them, but he also knew that hearing truths again and again strengthens us.

Peter saw that how he spent his life would impact the lives of those after he brought glory to God in how he died. "I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things after my decease" (2 Pet. 1:15). In death we leave behind a treasure of eternal truth that will remind others.

Think about it. What are you doing "as long as you are in this tent"?

Much to think about

Have a great week

Love in Christ

Dereck

### **CONTACT DETAILS**

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### **MINISTRY FACILITATORS**

Worship: Don Griessel 082 495 5699

Sunday School: Charles & Tish 083 779 8556

Finance: Geoff Jäck 082 801 7005 /

Richard Lang 084 575 4408

World Bible School: Desiree Human 060 501 8540
Prisons: Stephen Leibbrandt 084 790 7721
Benevolence: Johan Gerber 083 233 4726
Maintenance: Stephen Leibbrandt 084 790 7721

### **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

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9am—9:45am					
DATE	09 October	16 October			
Age 2 to 4	Age 4-7 classroom	Age 4-7 classroom			
Age 5 to 7	Age 4-7 classroom	Age 4-7 classroom			
Grade 2 - 4	Gd 2-3 classroom	Gd 2-3 classroom			
Grade 5 - 7	Gd 2-3 classroom	Gd 2-3 classroom			

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Those who are ill/surgeries: Eric Bresler, Dennis Stubbs, Bill Randall, Dorothy Boshoff, Annette Day.

The bereaved: Our prayers are with Annelene Thomas & Family. May the God of comfort be with you.

The elderly & those in need of prayer: SA Bible College, our country & leaders & world leaders, the frontline workers, doctors & nurses, police and those who keep us safe, and those affected by the war in Ukraine.



### **BELLVILLE FOOD BLESSING**

If you would like to contribute to the frozen food ministry for those battling with illness please use the reference "Frozen Foods"



Stay Safe, Stay positive Stay connected You are loved

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Reagan Smith	09 Oct
Sharon Benton	10 Oct
Males Tomlinson	10 Oct
Junaid Jacobs	11 Oct
Volkmar Salzmann	11 Oct
Johanna Atkins	13 Oct

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Males & Karin Tomlinson—11 Oct
Marvin & Ruth Barnabus—13 Oct

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Werner & Meghan Crous on the birth of Stella Rayne Crous, born 06 October.

Welcome to the church family Stella.

### **TUESDAY LADIES' CLASS**

Teaching: Marietjie
Book: NLB: The Christian Woman—The Christian Wife God's de-

sign

Announcements & Prayer: Ali

### **THURSDAY GROUP**

Durbanville group meeting at the home of Males & Karin Tomllinson.

Geoff will be teaching.
Please contact Johan Gerber 083
233 4726 for details.

For Malmesbury/Paarl details please contact Darryn McLachlan







THIS WEEK 09 October 2022		DUTY ROSTER	NEXT WEEK 16 October 2022		
AM	PM	- DOTT ROSTER	AM	PM	
Dereck Beukes		ANNOUNCE- MENTS	Dereck Beukes		
Johan Gerber		SONG LEADER	Joe Tshililo		
André Botes		LORD'S SUPPER	Charles Markotter		
Stephen Leibbrandt		SCRIPTURE & PRAYER	Johan Gerber		
André, André Jnr, HD, George		AM SERVERS	Charles, Johan G, Luke, Allen		
Dereck Beukes		PREACHING	Dereck Beukes		
André Jnr Botes		CLOSING PRAYER	Luke Mosime		
		COMMUNION			
		FLOWERS			
Charles		Sound	Harrison		

### **FINANCES**

Year-to-date **budget** (May 2022) - R 540,000

Year to date actual

(May 2022) - R 508,348

Year-to-date - shortfall

(May 2022) - R 31,652

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



# BANKING DETAILS NEDBANK

ACC Name: Bellville Church of Christ

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