

18 September 2022

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Roads,
Eversdal
P.O. Box 351,
Durbanville 7551



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

Living a new life in Christ

From the desk of Dereck...

The Example of Some Preachers Today—Do not Follow It!

Some preachers think they are amazing. They think the church revolves around them. They think they are the master of the sermon preparation and delivery. They think they should be invited to speak in other congregations and on lectureships. They arrive at those places as if they are a celebrity and expect wonderful accolades and royal treatment.

Perhaps (again, perhaps) if (again, if) there was anyone who could view themselves in that way, maybe it would be the Apostle Paul. Think about all the grand accomplishments of this man of God—the thousands of converts made, the dozens of congregations established, the debates he won, the boldness he displayed, the life he sacrificed. He deserved to be recognised, right? He deserved to be invited to speak at great church events, right? He deserved to roll into town and have the brethren “ooh” and “aah” over his every word, right?

Well, you know Paul. He wouldn't accept any of that! His enemies tried to accuse him of such self-commendation, and there were times when he had to defend himself, because accusations like that against Paul were actually accusations against Christ Himself and the work and message with which Paul was charged. But pay attention to how Paul responded.

Paul wanted his brethren to know that his confidence was **“through Christ toward God.”** For, he said, **“Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, who also made us sufficient as ministers...”** (2 Cor. 3:4-6). Paul recognised that he was not **“sufficient”** to accomplish anything that he had accomplished but that it **ALL came “from God.”** And note that he said God had made him **“sufficient”** as a **“minister,”** which is also translated **“servant.”** He was just a servant.

He affirms it again in the next chapter. **“For we do not preach ourselves” (it's not about us!), “but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake”** (2 Cor. 4:5). Again, he refers to himself as a **“bondservant.”** Then, he says, **“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us”** (4:7). The treasure is **NOT** us! The treasure is **“the gospel”** (4:4). We are just the jars of clay that carry it and share it. We are nothing!

This is reminiscent of another place, where Paul said, **“Neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters...”** (1 Cor. 3:7). Who is Paul? He would (and did) say, **“Not anything.”** He called himself **“the least of all the saints”** (Eph. 3:8).

Don't be like some preachers and teachers today! Be like Paul! Make everything about Jesus **and NOT** about you!

May the Lord bless you as you serve Him diligently

Love

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: Eric Bresler, Dennis Stubbs, Bill Randall, Dorothy Boshoff, Kian Steyn

The bereaved: Our prayers are with 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, the frontline workers, doctors & nurses, police and those who keep us safe, and those affected by the war in Ukraine.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Ivan Morkel	18 Sep
Caitlin Bonthuys	19 Sep
Kim Morkel	19 Sep
Michelle Whitmill	21 Sep
Altus Kleinhans	22 Sep
Tyla Morkel	24 Sep

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Gawie & Sony Venter—23 Sep

TUESDAY LADIES' CLASS

Teaching: Sue

Book: NLB - The Christian Woman—Woman the balancing act.

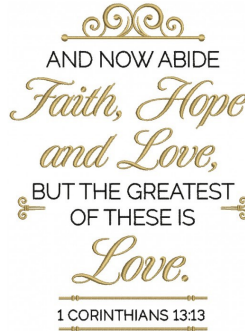
Announcements & Prayer: Ali

THURSDAY GROUP

Durbanville group meeting at the home of Wayne & Rachel Enslin Johan will be teaching.

Please contact Johan Gerber 083 233 4726 for details.

For Malmesbury/Paarl details please contact Darryn McLachlan 072 385 9062



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*



SUNDAY SCHOOL 9am—9:45am

DATE	18 September	25 September
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

THIS WEEK 18 September 2022

NEXT WEEK 25 September 2022

AM		PM	DUTY ROSTER	AM		PM	
Dereck Beukes				ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dereck Beukes		
Joe Tshililo			SONG LEADER		Johan Gerber		
Ian Sinclair			LORD'S SUPPER	Jorren Sloan			
Geoff Jäck			SCRIPTURE & PRAYER	Juan Thomas			
Josh B, HD, Geoff, Ian			AM SERVERS	Johan, Glen, Juan, Jorren			
Rohann Marais			PREACHING	Dereck Beukes			
HD Botes			CLOSING PRAYER	Glen DW Holmes			
			COMMUNION				
			FLOWERS				
Jorren			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
Cheque Acc. Nr: 1036015041
Branch Code: 103610