

The Methodist Church of Southern Africa Westville Society



Staying Connected 24 August 2025

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07:30

09:00

18:30

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Bible Readings 24 August to 30 August 2025

Sunday Luke 13:10-17
Monday Psalm 10
Tuesday Ezekiel 20:18-32
Wednesday Luke 6:6-11
Thursday Psalm 112
Friday 1 Peter 4:7-11

Saturday Matthew 20:20-28

From the Minister's Desk

One of the great contemporary teachers on Christian spirituality, Father Richard Rohr, was interviewed recently, having just turned 80. Much of the conversation covered ideas expressed in his many books, but Rohr also spent a good while talking about his dog, Opie - a 4 year old adopted Jack Russell cross. It was so striking to hear in his voice the profound joy that this little animal gives him. Rohr says that Opie just wants to be where he is and that if he were to wake the dog at 3am, Opie would be absolutely delighted to get up and go somewhere with his master.



Rohr says Opie is a picture of how we are called to be with God. What joy we must give God when we want to be where our Master is! More than that, it is only when we invite God into all we do that we will see his power at work in us. Jesus said that "without me you can do nothing" and the psalmist writes that "unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in vain".



Friday 5 September

10h00

WMC Lounge

All ladies welcome

Just a gentle reminder to keep WMC's finances in mind.

If you're able, please consider giving electronically—
it's a helpful way to support the church, even if it's a
little different from what we're used to. EFTs and Stop
Orders can easily be set up online, if that's something
that you would like to do.



Faith for Daily Living (FFDL)

The Sep/Oct '25 edition of Faith for Daily Living is available from the church foyer and the church office. This very popular booklet "flies off the shelves" so be sure to secure your copy soon.

Digital copies are available on the FFDL website: https://ffdl.co.za/



Mission of the Month The Baby House Westville

Please continue your generous support by contributing towards our item collection for the children. Thank you



A Helping Hand Needed for Sunday Morning

There's a lovely senior lady living on Chester Terrace, Westville who would be so grateful for a lift to the 9am service each Sunday. If you're able to offer a ride and brighten her morning, please kindly get in touch with Lauren at the church office for all the details.

Thank you for your kindness and support!

Birthdays this coming week

Reg Tofts Kevin Norris Andree Wakefield Wednesday 27 Aug Thursday 28 Aug Sunday 31 Aug



Arnie Kerr Giselle Stellenberg Chrissie Smith Joshua Geldenhuys Doff Ponsie Annemarie Cave Russell Untiedt Bruce Perrow Michael Mullan Nick Naidoo Tienie Dearham Hane van der Merwe Haroshen Govender Lynda Goosen Šané Ndlovu

Letitia Norris Horizon Farm Brandon Walker Shirleen Prydderch John Cave Zayden Govender Shelley Reed

Post Surgery Recovery

Pain and possible tumours-awaiting specialised scans

Macular Degeneration

Heart Surgery Hip Replacement Knee Replacement Cancer Treatment **Health Challenges** Health Challenges Cancer Treatment

Virus in her left ear, affecting balance and hearing

Recovering from Surgery

Cancer Treatment Cancer Treatment

Further treatment - Endometriosis

Strength and Peace Financial Stability

Effects of long covid -pain, inflammation & fatigue

Bipolar Treatment

Cancer

Kidney function Improvement Motor Neuron Disease / ALS

Ongoing Prayer

Mo Taylor, Helene Herbst, The Sullivan Family, Sue Carter, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker, Janita Downing, Evelyn Kolbe, Megan Moody, Doff Ponsie, Nicky Proctor, Siswana Family, Sherwyn Sullivan.



On the 16th of August, a group of us, as part of the WMC mission team and friends, had the pleasure of visiting the Westville Baby House. We were welcomed by Nola and Terri, who ran us through the home and its function within the care and nurturing of the young children, aged from a few months to 2 years. It was extra special to see their family tree that has a photo of each child that, with the assistance of the home and the staff, have found their forever families. We delivered the much needed donations for which we than you, and ask that we end off their month on a high, by continuing ticking the boxes on their wishlist.

Church Bank Details

Westville Methodist Church Acc:

Acc No: 58880668126 Bank: **First National Bank**

Branch: Westville Br Code: 223526









"Thanks for the beautiful wishes and flowers that I received for my birthday. I felt very blessed."

Love Bernie White