



27 SEPTEMBER 2026

Westville Methodist Church STAYING CONNECTED

OFFICE DETAILS

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BIBLE READINGS

27 September to 3 October

Sunday Matthew 21:23-32

Monday Philippians 1:3-14

Tuesday Psalm 42

Wednesday Matthew 9:2-8

Thursday Colossians 2:16-23

Friday Psalm 80:7-15

Saturday John 7:40-52

FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK

INVISIBLE GROWTH



I spent an afternoon this last week, digging up lawn to make space for a vegetable garden. I'm at the beginning of this journey, but have learned a few things so far:

1. It wasn't a very big patch of lawn, but I have a renewed respect for people whose daily work involves digging. And I totally get it when they feel the need to lean on their spades for a bit ...
2. I've told you before that Richard Rohr says he asks God for "at least one good humiliation every day" - apparently it is good for you! Well, in that spirit I went to the garden shop to buy seeds and had to confess my complete ignorance about these things. The salesman kindly used small words when explaining gardening mysteries to me.
3. We're about to spend a few days hiking together as a family, so I haven't planted the seeds yet (in case they get thirsty while we're away). But once the seeds go in, I'm expecting it to be a while before anything shows up above the ground - opportunities no doubt to learn about hope and patience in the coming weeks.

Plants are a great metaphor for life, aren't they? There are seasons where we are bearing fruit, but others where absolutely nothing seems to be happening. And yet even during those apparently dormant times God is working in us - we are growing underground - and fruitfulness would not be possible without those quiet seasons. What kind of season are you in right now?



CHRISTMAS MARKET

**15 Tables / Stalls
Still Available!**

**5 December
09:00 - 13:00**

If you'd like to book a table or stall,
please contact:

**Kerry
072 838 3358**

When is your **Birthday?**

We'd love to message you, call you or send you some flowers...

Because you are special!

We want to celebrate you!

WhatsApp Lauren at the church office on **081 885 4928**

TRUSTING
Through it all
GOD

MISSION OF THE MONTH

WISHLIST



Portable games
Toys for outdoor play like bats and balls
6 soccer balls, a swingball set, small plastic scooters
ALL to support large motor development and coordination

Clothing for children from babies to 6 yr olds



CHURCH BANK DETAILS

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



September Prayer Focus

Our Church WMC

The Alpha Course

Mission Focus

KidZAid



Thanksgiving

We give thanks for each and every one of our wonderful church volunteers. Your time, dedication, kindness and willingness to serve make such a difference to our church community. Thank you for all that you do.

Current Prayer Requests

Bruce Theunissen - pacemaker repair surgery on 30 September

Our country - Particularly the xenophobic issues



People Under Treatment

Tienie Dearham - Continuing treatment

Denise Blevin - Pancreatic cancer stable. Health fragile, but well supported.

Mike Higgs - Responding well to Cancer treatment. Immunotherapy treatments continue.



Russell Untiedt - Cancer treatment continues

Bruce Perrow - Health challenges - feeling stronger

Michael Mullin - Further health challenges

Nick Naidoo - Cancer treatment

Sané Ndlovu - Continuing treatment for Endometriosis

Brandon Walker - New Treatment for Fibromyalgia

John Cave - Cancer responding well to treatment. Tires easily.



Ongoing Prayer

Chrissie Smith, Letitia Norris, Horizon Farm, Zayden Govender, Shelley Reid, Mo Taylor, Helene Herbst, Sue Carter, Janita Downing, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker, Evelyn Kolbe, Nicky Proctor, The Sullivan family, The Siswana family



Ladies' Fellowship

Friday 2 October | 10:00am | WMC - LOUNGE

ALL LADIES WELCOME!



you from **KidZAid**, recipients of the knitted goods donated by WMC to the baby clinic supported by KidZAid.