



# Staying Connected

16 January 2022

## Office Details

### Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 08:30 to 14:00  
Fri : 08:30 to 13:00

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### Sunday Service Times:

09:00  
18:30

## From the Minister's Desk

Last Sunday evening our 18h30 congregation met to worship together for the first time in over a year. My lasting memory of that service will always be the palpable sense of joy as people were reunited after such a long time apart. There is also something very powerful that we experience when we return

to a beloved physical space after a long time away – like coming back to the place where you grew up, or in this instance, returning to the sanctuary where we have encountered God again and again over the years.

As this fourth wave of Covid subsides, we are seeing more and more people returning to in-person worship, which is wonderful, but if you're not quite ready to return yet, please join our online congregation for the live-streamed 9am service at <https://westville.online.church>. If the last two years have taught us anything, it is that we can be together, even while apart!



## Faith for Daily Living

Copies of the Jan / Feb 2022 issue of Faith for Daily Living will be available for collection from the church foyer on Sunday.

## Ladies' Bible Studies

Two Bible Study courses for ladies will begin during February 2022. The courses consist of weekly group sessions with DVD-based teaching and group discussion, plus 5 homework sessions per week.

A Wednesday group **Faithful, Abundant, True** will be held from 14:30 to 16:00 in the WMC Family Room.

A Thursday group **Children of the Day, 1 and 2 Thessalonians** will be held from 14:30 to 16:00 in the WMC Family Room.

Choose a day and join us! All are welcome including women from other churches and denominations. Please contact Glenda on 082 655 7785 or email : ggorven@gmail.com **before 28th January 2022** to book your spot. Handbooks cost about R190 to R250 each.

## Donations of Wool

We have a team of ladies that knit for the many outreach groups that we supply knitted items to. If you have any donation of wool, please place it in the black box outside the church office. Thank you.

## Donations of Stationery

Supplying stationery to learners at the beginning of the school year is an added expense for many families. If you have any supply of stationery that you would like to pass on to families in need, please consider donating it to the many ministry groups that we assist. Thank you.

## Contact Details

### Minister

Michael Bishop 079 4999 139

### Society Stewards

David Jordan 082 922 9385  
Amanda Kenny 083 330 8780  
Ashley Sellwood 083 650 7612  
Dave Oldacre 082 784 6282  
Jane Bainbridge 084 746 2004  
Brandon Walker 084 912 8188  
Brenda Siswana 079 485 4870  
Natalie Moolman 073 438 8153

## Bible Readings

### 16 to 22 January 2022

**Sunday** Psalm 36 : 5 - 10

**Monday** Psalm 145

**Tuesday** 1 Corinthians 1 : 3 - 17

**Wednesday** Luke 5 : 33 - 39

**Thursday** Isaiah 61 : 1 - 7

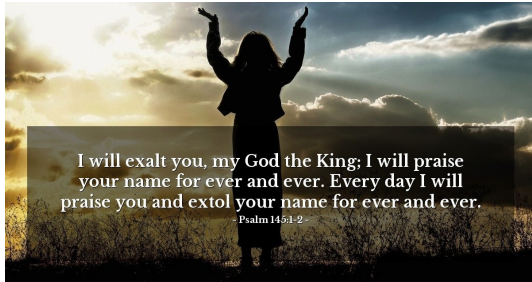
**Friday** Psalm 19

**Saturday** Luke 2 : 39 - 52





**Birth Congratulations to Trevor and Dione Webber on the birth of a grandson, Bryce Matthew Webber born to Matthew and Michelle Webber on Thursday 6 January 2022 in Westville.**

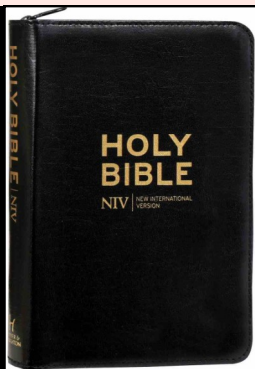


I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.  
Psalm 145:1-2

**We ask you to please remember the finances of WMC.**

Please prayerfully and carefully consider your giving, and where at all possible use electronic means to make your offerings and contributions to the church, even though it may differ from some time-honoured traditions. EFT and Stop Orders can be done online and should you choose, Zapper is another option. Thank you.

There is a box in the Church Foyer with copies of the NIV Bible. You are most welcome to take one and pass it on to someone in need.



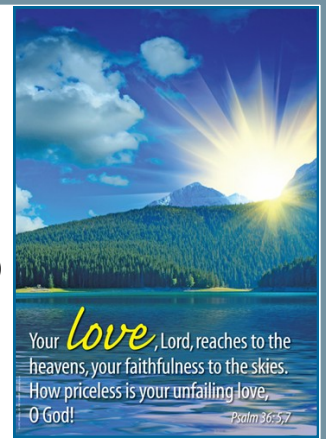
### Church Bank Details

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



### Please Pray for

- Baby Luca Anderson (Hearing)
- Lorraine Bekker (Recuperating at home)
- John Cave (Cancer / more comfortable)
- Mike Hoole (Frail)
- Mary Irving (Idiopathic Pulmonary Disease)
- Andrew Kenny (Recuperating at home)
- Dave and Cheryl McDougall (Business concerns)
- Wendy McGregor (Thymic Carcinoma)
- Ria Munroe (Cancer)
- Doff Ponsie (Care Facility)
- Shirleen Prydderch (Recovering)
- Mary Quilling (Cancer)
- Shelley Reed (Motor Neuron Disease/ALS)
- Siswana Family (Family difficulties / Employment needs)
- Marjorie Tarbett (Recovering in a care facility)
- Stephanie Thomason (Cancer)
- Shirley Whelan (Convalescing after Stroke)



Your *Love*, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!  
Psalm 36:5-7

### Ongoing Prayer

- Lance Bainbridge, Margaret Bosman, Florrie David-Sullivan, Evelyn Kolbe, Michael Madlala, Letitia Norris, Judy Odendaal, Nicky Proctor, Emma, Ross and Cris Reay, Steve Smith, Sherwyn Sullivan, Geoff Taylor.

**Pray for teachers and learners as they return to school.**

**We ask for protection for people working in hospitals, Covid testing centres and vaccination clinics.**

### Giving



**Thank you so much for your generous donations towards our Christmas Collection for Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre. A total of R15 9140 was received.**

### Finances

2021 YTD	Actual	Budget	
<b>Total Income Year End</b>	R1 854 574.43	R2 232 036.00	R 377 461.57 Under Budget
<b>Total Expenses Year End</b>	R1 924 532.24	R2 186 988.00	R262 455.76 Under Budget
<b>Net Loss Year End</b>			<b>(R 69 957.81)</b>