



Staying Connected

26 May 2024

Office Details

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Mon - Thurs 08:30 to 14:00
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Sunday Service Times:

07:30
09:00
18:30

From the Minister's Desk

It's a story that is so familiar to Methodists: On 24 May 1738 John Wesley went "unwillingly" to a meeting of a small church (society) in Fetter Lane, London. There he heard a lay preacher reading from the preface to Luther's commentary on the book of Romans, and, as he listened, Wesley felt a strong sense of assurance - the confidence that he was forgiven and accepted by God. He wrote of the experience that his "heart was strangely warmed". The experience changed his life and historians track the explosion of the Methodist revival from that time.



This is Wesley's story, but as we remember Aldersgate, there are also some helpful principles for us to hear:

1. This encounter happened in the middle of an ordinary experience in everyday life. In fact, it looked as if it would be a very dull, routine evening for Wesley.
2. By showing up to his routines and by being present and paying attention, Wesley was open to the work of God in the moment.
3. God worked through an ordinary person - we don't even know the name of that preacher who was reading from that book.

Such ordinary moments and yet they changed your world and mine! What awaits you and I in the ordinary days of the coming week? Will we be present and open to God's work?

Flowers in the Church



Each week a team of very talented people arrange the flowers that are on display in the church during the Sunday Services. If you would like to donate towards these displays in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a milestone birthday or special occasion, please contact the church office.

Sewing Group at WMC

The Sew 'n Sews meet in the church lounge every Monday morning to sew for the many projects that the church is involved with. If you would like to join them to sew, you are welcome to pop in to the church lounge on a Monday morning from 09:00 to 12:00 or contact the church office for further information.



There are numerous Bible Study Groups that meet throughout the week in private homes and in the church building. Some groups meet in the evenings after work, but there are also quite a few that meet during the day. There is an opportunity and a time to suit everyone. For a full list of the current groups available, please see the leaflet in the church foyer or contact the church office for further information.

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Bible Readings

26 May to 1 June 2024

Sunday	John 3 : 1 - 17
Monday	Psalms 20
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 2 : 1 - 10
Wednesday	Mark 4 : 21 - 25
Thursday	Psalms 139 : 1 - 6
Friday	Romans 8 : 31 - 39
Saturday	John 7 : 19 - 24

The Flowers in Church this week
are in loving memory of

Geoff Taylor

Beloved Husband, Father and Bompa



PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary Haw
Gwen King
Lynese Morris

Brigitta Woudberg
Roxanne Cappell
Letitia Norris
Edwin Trebble

Peter Howard

Horizon Farm
James Dunford
Raymond A. Blom
Sue Carter
Cameron Smith
Steve Smith
Brandon Walker
Gavin Linnett
Shirleen Prydderch
Dorothy Foster
John Cave
Zayden Govender
Shelley Reed

Blood Disorder
Frail
Hip Replacement
Surgery Scheduled
Strength and Support
Bed rest - Pregnancy
Strength and Peace
Recovering from
Surgery
Recovering from Knee Replacement
Surgery
Financial Stability
Cancer
End Stage Dementia
Recovering from Surgery
Multiple Sclerosis
Recovering
Effects of Long Covid
Recovery
Bipolar Treatment
Recovering from Surgery
Cancer
Kidney function Improvement
Motor Neuron Disease / ALS



Congratulations ON YOUR ENGAGEMENT

**Congratulations to
Sean and Ashley Sellwood
on the engagement of their son
Dylan
to Tylo Joubert
on Thursday 16 May 2024.**

Ongoing Prayer

Stephen Adams, Lance Bainbridge, Lorraine Bekker, Janita Downing, Debbie Ivins, Evelyn Kolbe, Linda Lodge, Megan Moody, Sané Ndlovu, Doff Ponsie, Nicky Proctor, Siswana Family, Sherwyn Sullivan.



**Congratulations to
Barbara Kemp on
the birth of a
grand daughter,
Willow Grace
born to Megan
and Graham
on 20 May 2024.**

Welcome Little Girl



As the weather starts to cool at this time of year, we collect and distribute items for "Winter Warmth". This includes blankets, jerseys, jackets, socks, beanies, scarves, gloves or bedding.

If you have any of these items in good, clean condition that you would like to donate, please place them in the black box outside the office, marked "Winter Warmth".



Birthdays this coming week

Lynese Morris Saturday 1 June

If your name should be listed here, or if there are any errors, please contact the church office.

"QASA would like to express its appreciation for your generosity in support of our organisation. We are proud recipients of bread tags (and bottle tops), as we are the leading association representing and empowering quadriplegics and paraplegics to live their lives to their full potential."

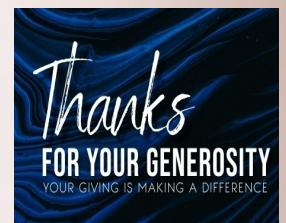


**Louise Rode QuadPara Association of South Africa :
Office Manager**

WMC tithes to 10 organisations / ministries on a monthly basis according to the monthly income received. These organisations / ministries are: Allowance for running of Feeding Scheme, Adult Literacy Programme at WMC, Prialex, Ethelbert Child and Youth Care Centre, Ingwe, Thembaletu Sewing Centre, Khethiwe Rehabilitation Centre, The Westville Baby House, KidZAid and the WMC Sewing Empowerment Ministry.

This amounts to R 12 000 each month.

Thank you for your faithful giving. It is as a result of your giving that we are in a position to give so generously. If you would like information about these ministries, please contact the church office.



Church Bank Details

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

