



**Growing A Family Aflame,
Sharing God's Love with All**

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Minister's Note

25 October 2020

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments'" (Mt 22:37-40).

Jesus' answer to the question "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment" exposed how tragically the Pharisees had strayed from their own law (they were plotting to destroy their neighbour! see (Mt 12:14).

By God's grace we've not strayed that far. Nevertheless, Jesus' words are piercing, "*judging the thoughts and intentions of the heart*", so to speak (Heb 4:12). They call me to reprioritise and to recalibrate. Upon reflection I realise there have sometimes been times that I have lived as if the greatest commandment was "*Thou shalt pass the exam*" or "*Thou shalt get a good job*" or "*Thou shalt not disappoint*".

Jesus' words are a gift to us. They put life into perspective. They give us something to aim at. They lead us to lean heavily on God's grace. And they are so very practical! Just take a read through Leviticus 19 ("*love your neighbour*" quotes vs 18) to see how practical love is. May Gods' Spirit empower us to make this way of life our dream, desire and delight.

God Bless,
Sean.

DMC FAMILY NEWS

PRAYER

We hold these families, bereaved since we last met, in prayer.

(In some cases lockdown restrictions meant that funerals or memorials could not be held or family could not attend)

The families of Monica Lonie, Gwen Smith, Pat Gibson & Ivor Thompson

Monica Collins lost her Husband, Bob

Lynette Ettisch & Sandra McCartney lost their father, Dennis

Wendy Brymer lost her mother

Dolores lost her husband, Aubrey

Nellie & Glen Schooling lost their daughter, Candice

Marius Theron lost his sister

Wessel Oosthuizen lost his brother

Michael & Gloria Graham lost their newborn son, Gabriel

Bianca Ekron McLachlan lost her mother, Thea,

Ryan Langeveldt lost his father

Neville & Thereasa Schoeman lost their nephew.

BIRTHDAYS - We wish you God's Richest blessings as you celebrate your special day

Gustav Krös	26 October
Ada Middleton	26 October
Craig Coetzee	26 October
Linda Van Eeden	26 October
Gottfried Weber	26 October
Robyne Kilian	27 October
Margaret Oosthuizen	28 October
Jeremy Fourie	28 October
Marion Norton	28 October
Chantelle Whittles	28 October
Vuyokazi Tutu	28 October
Belinda Anderson	28 October
Glynnis Liedemann	28 October
Charlene Walker	29 October
Lauren Tamine	30 October

SOCIAL CONCERNS

TYGERBERG HOSPITAL FLOWER & MAGAZINE MINISTRY

As we are not able to visit Tygerberg Hospital Cancer Wards, we are not in need of magazines at the moment. We will advise when needed again. If you have any magazines please place these in the recycle bins.

We are making an appeal for **non-perishable food items** for our pantry cupboard and for the hospitals. If you can help please deliver to the church office.

BABY CLOTHING (birth - 2 years) donations of quality clothing needed by our Social Concerns ministry.

OTHER NOTICES

DMC's COUNSELING and CARE CENTRE - At some point most of us wonder "how long must I wrestle with my thoughts and every day have sorrow in my heart" (Ps. 13:2). Don't suffer alone. DMC's Counseling Care Centre is here to listen, guide and heal. Call (Ian) at 082 645 6683. All calls are dealt with in strict confidence.

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES

Will re-commence Wednesday 28 October at 09h00

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