



DURBANVILLE
METHODIST
CHURCH

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

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Preacher's Note

11 April 2021



So here we are after Easter.

The long weekend, the chocolates, the services telling us what Jesus went through. All behind us. And so we look up, pick up our familiar heavy backpacks and start trudging on again.

What difference has Easter made? Really made?

No matter how long we've walked with the Lord, we so easily find ourselves in a place where we've let go of His hand, a dark place, groping about for meaning and direction. Carrying a heavy load by ourselves, soldiering on.

Can I give you a message of hope, right here, right now? You don't have to do this by yourself. Jesus said "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest". And He means it. He invites us to share our deepest feelings with Him, speaking to Him from the heart.

Tell him that you fear that you've failed Him too many times, and He must be fed up with you - you know you are. Tell Him that you're just so tired that your bones ache, that your sense of humour failure has showed up in three meetings already today. Tell Him your deepest fears that keep you awake at night, that you keep close to your chest, and that sit in the pit of your stomach. Tell Him your heart has been broken, your hope is in tatters, and you're hanging on, stuck in the Saturday after the pain of Friday, never getting to the joy of Sunday.

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He longs for that "Lord, I need you". And as we do that, open up to Him, He speaks to us, reaches out and touches us. And we experience the real Easter. A personal resurrection, a renewal, a rising from the dead.

Jesus is pain-taker, prison-shaker, way maker, chain breaker.

Right here, right now.

Blessings, Andrew.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & SUNDAY YOUTH CONTINUE to MEET

We look forward to providing stories, activities and insights which are relevant to the children of today. In our broken society, they need his companionship and lordship more than ever.

DMC FAMILY NEWS

PRAYER

Flo Smith, Elise Timm, Mike Oates

BIRTHDAYS

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

Deidré Laubscher	11 April
Ireley Hoare	11 April
Matthew Ekron	12 April
Noelleen McNaughton	12 April
Liza May	13 April
Hanlie Krös	13 April
Vivian Young	14 April
Margaret Hall	14 April
Freda Davies	14 April
Danelle Dippenaar	15 April
Leona Lambrechts	16 April
Mandy Julius	16 April
Buddy Maggott	16 April
Ros Walters	17 April
George Georghiou	17 April
Joanne Steyn	17 April
Geoffrey darke	17 April

SUNDAY SERVICE - As from Sunday 11 April there will be one service at 09h00.

SERVICE & GENEROSITY

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Tygerbears, Thuthuzela and Cansa Care are once again appealing for instant noodles and soup, peanut butter, coffee and tea. Toiletries including roll-on deodorant and personal hygiene products are an ongoing request. Thank you.

BIRTHDAY & OTHER GREETING CARDS

Available at the office. R5 each.

PANTRY CUPBOARD

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

DMC BANKING DETAILS - MCSA Durbanville Society, Standard Bank, Tyger Manor, Branch Code: 050410, Account Number: 275125750.

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