DURBANVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

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

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MINISTER'S NOTE 15 MAY 2022

Everyone has an opinion on love and what it means in a healthy relationship. Some see love as little more than an attitude of niceness to everyone. But love is not soft. It will always seek to build up the other.

The Scriptures best describe love as a way of being, a way of thinking, acting, and living life the Jesus way. Love goes beyond positive feelings, attraction, or attachment to another. It is not focused on self but on the "other" and his or her well-being. It is an orientation and disposition of openness, receptivity, and self-giving towards another. It is the willingness to care for another regardless of what they look like or what they have done. It is forgiving those who have hurt us and asking forgiveness of those we have hurt. It is remembering that the other person was created and is loved by the same God who created and loves you. It is recognizing that the other person carries the same image of God as you.

In a society where so much is presented in terms of "self": self-image, self-awareness, self-satisfaction, self-esteem, self-realization, Jesus presents a way of existence that is countercultural, in which a person lives for the other. It is this kind of love that is a unifying force that strengthens community solidarity and works for the common good. May our growing relationship with God lead us to a commitment to the common good that reaches beyond private interest, transcends sectarian commitments, and offers human solidarity.

Blessings,

Vuyelwa.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH: 09h00 - 10h00.

Sunday School meets at the same time as the church service. There are 3 groups: two junior classes for those in preschool and those in Grades R to 2/3, and an intermediate group for Grades 3/4 to 7. Sunday Youth is geared for those in high school. We urge you to bring young children to join in so that they can get to know their Heavenly Father while they are young.

DMC FAMILY NEWS - PRAYER

Margarete Van Der Merwe

FLOWERS

The flowers in the church today are donated by Mike and Hilary Maxwell. We praise and thank God for His guidance, provision, protection and blessing over ours and our family's lives. To God be the Glory!

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

BIRTHDAYS

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

Sheila Gradidge	15 May
Darwin Van Rooyen	15 May
Betty Coldrey	16 May
Clive Prince	16 May
Trudi Miller	16 May
Morné Janse Van Rensburg	17 May
Matshema Mogano	17 May
Maartje Van Der Vlis	17 May
Tania Abegglen	17 May
Thomas Needham	18 May
Carryn De Groot	18 May
Patrick Ntshaga	18 May
Gideon Van Zyl	19 May
Lisa Heuvel	19 May
Bernadette Barnes	20 May
Lorraine Hodgkinson	20 May
Helga Kruger	21 May
Elaine Dawson	21 May

SUNDAY SERVICE 15 MAY 2022 at 09h00.
PREACHER REV VUYELWA NTSHINGA

SERVICE & GENEROSITY - SOCIAL CONCERNS

SOUP for MES

We are in urgent need of soup. We have been asked to supply 20 litres of soup each Friday to MES. If you could deliver the soup by Thursday latest, we will arrange for it to be sent to MES.

In keeping with the Methodist Church tradition, May is known as the ***"Blanket & Jersey"*** month. All donations of new or good secondhand jerseys, jackets, coats, beanies, bed-socks, scarves, knee-rugs, knitted squares and double -knitting wool will be greatly appreciated.

OTHER NOTICES

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES - every Wednesday morning at 09h00. ****No service on Wednesday 18 May.***

REV VUYELWA NTSHINGA will be attending Synod from 18 - 22 May. Please keep them all in your prayers.

DISCIPLE 3 (Remember who you are) - We will be running the Disciple 3 course, a 32 week study of the bible with daily readings, starting on the 18 July 2022 and running until 27 March 2023. If you would like more info or would like to join please contact the office or speak to Andrew Boake.

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