DURBANVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

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

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PREACHER'S NOTE 25 FEBRUARY 2024

We can identify with where the disciples find themselves. Jesus has sent them ahead. They've rigged the boat and set off like they've done many many times before. What they do know is boats and sailing. Then one of those fierce Galilean storms comes up, and they're being tossed about - it's taking all their knowledge and strength just to keep afloat. After hours of hanging on, this is no rational reasoning time - the dark night, the drenching rain, the towering waves, the bitter cold, the flashing lightning make it hard for weary minds not to be discouraged and frightened. One of them spots a figure, blurred with rain and distance, coming towards them. Kick the fear up a notch - what is this? The long-held superstitions scream. Then they all turn to Peter in disbelief - he's climbing out of the boat! What is he doing?!

Have you been there? Scared out of your wits, knees shaking. Facing the microphone and the audience staring in expectation - what if I stammer again? Sitting in the restaurant with the ring in your pocket and rehearsing words that will be remembered for ever - what if she's not the one? Sitting with the pen in your hand, about to sign the offer to purchase when you know the finances are a real stretch. Sitting outside the boss's office, about to be hauled over the coals - what if I get fired? In the storm, somehow finding the courage to go ahead and do it anyway. Do I sit huddled in a corner of the boat, hugging my knees? Or, do I take a firm grip, put my legs over the side, and leap?

God Bless, Andrew.

LECTIONARY READINGS:
Matthew 14: 22-33

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH: 09h00 - 10h00.
Jesus knew that he needed a quiet time to talk to God and listen to his words (Mark 1:35-45). Let us try and make time every day to spend with God.

DMC FAMILY NEWS
PRAYER
Anthony Pietersen
Riaan Spangenberg
Bernie Dettmer

Kindly inform the office of members who have been admitted to hospital.
Please contact the office if you have any prayer request.
Tel. 021 976 0598

CONFIRMATION 2024 - If you would like to be confirmed in 2024 please complete the form at the help desk.

MEN'S MINISTRY 2024 - We are looking at suggestions from our male members to start up this Ministry. Suggestions can be placed in the suggestion box at the help desk.

YOUNG WOMEN'S MINISTRY 2024 - We are calling on our young women to come up with suggestions for a Young Women's Ministry Group.

THE SUGGESTION BOX - can also be used for any suggestions from the members with regards to DMC. Please place your name on the suggestions.

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

Keith Moir	25 February
Edith Price	25 February
Phakamisa Ndzamela	25 February
Erica Waller	25 February
Alayne Visser	26 February
Valda Oliver	26 February
Jesse Haupt	27 February
Carol Shepperson	27 February
Eduard Morland	27 February
Karin Coetzee	28 February
Margaret Grobbelaar	28 February
Jean-Charles Balcou	1 March
Duval Barnes	1 March
John Sparkman	2 March

SUNDAY SERVICE 25 FEBRUARY 2024
PREACHER ANDREW BOAKE

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICE
Every Wednesday morning at 09h00. All most welcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS at DMC
ALPHA - will be starting on the 15 April 2024 at 19h30 at DMC. Alpha is open to everyone - New and Mature Christians. Difficult and Deep questions to help us grow.
If you would like to join or if you would like to help in any way, please complete the form at the help desk.

SOCIAL CONCERNS - SERVICE & GENEROSITY
CLOTHING NEEDED (newborn - 2 years) Donations of quality clothing needed by our Social Concerns Ministry.

SOUP for MES - We are in need of soup. If you could deliver the soup by Thursday, we will arrange for it to be sent to MES. **MES BOOKLETS** are for sale at the Church. R50. per booklet.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday 1March at 10h00 at the Presbyterian Church Durbanville. (Corner of Louw & Hafele Street). Please call the office at DMC if you will be attending for catering purposes.

Sacrificial giving can be done via EFT:
MCSA DURBANVILLE SOCIETY - Standard Bank, Tyger Manor, Branch Code 050410, Account Number 27 512 575 0. Thank you for your generosity. Through your giving we are able to continue our various ministries.

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