DURBANVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

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

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MINISTER'S NOTE

22 JUNE 2025



As I sat with this week's Gospel from Luke 8:26-39, I found myself both moved and unsettled. It's a story of profound healing. But what puzzles me is the reaction of the neighbours. They are not overjoyed. They are so afraid that they ask Jesus to leave. And I wonder - why?

The uncomfortable truth is that healing often brings disruption. It shakes the ground beneath what we've learned to manage, even if what we've managed is brokenness. It challenges what we've come to accept as "normal." Sometimes, healing means change we didn't prepare for.

I wonder how often we hold back from the healing God offers, not because we don't want it, but because we're not sure what it will ask of us. What comforts me is Jesus' compassion. He doesn't shame the people. He doesn't force himself in. But he does leave behind a witness, the healed man, sent back to his community with a story to tell: "*Look what God has done for me.*"

This week, I invite you to reflect with me: Where am I afraid of healing? What freedom might I be resisting? What would it look like to live my story of grace, even in the very places that once knew my pain?

May you find courage to welcome the healing Christ offers, even when it comes in unexpected ways. And may you know - you are deeply loved, held, and never alone on the journey.

With hope and love,
Vuyelwa.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH: 09h00 - 10h00.
Today is our last week of Sunday School for the Term. We are going to revise the names of the books in the first part of the Old Testament: Law, History, Poetry and Wisdom.
First Sunday School session for Term 3: 27 July 2025.

DMC FAMILY NEWS
PRAYER
Denise Dettmer

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

FLOWERS
The flowers in the church today are donated by Eric & Lynette Ettisch in loving memory of all parents who work tirelessly to provide a nurturing and loving home for their families. I count my blessings for the wonderful example my parents set. Happy Birthday, to my Heavenly mother, Yvonne. Praise and glory to God.
Eric and Lynette have made a donation to Social Concerns.

SERVICE & GENEROSITY
SOCIAL CONCERNS
CARE PACKS - We supply toiletry bags to Tygerberg and Karl Bremer hospitals. We require the following: face cloth, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, pocket-size pack of tissues, roll-on-deodorant & feminine hygiene products. Please leave at the help desk or office.

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

Hayley Hendricks	22 June
Mettie Insley	22 June
Edgar Pietersen	22 June
Ernest Potgieter	22 June
Roger Daniels	23 June
Sydwell Luwaca	23 June
Daniele Sabbatini	24 June
Thandi Nkonzo	25 June
Talia Van Wyk	25 June
Colleen Matthews	26 June
Riaan Spangenberg	26 June

SUNDAY SERVICE 22 JUNE 2025
PREACHER REV VUYELWA NTSHINGA
READINGS: Luke 8: 26-39

UPCOMING EVENTS at DMC
MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES
Every Wednesday morning at 09h00. All most welcome.

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.

BIRTHDAY and OTHER GREETING CARDS - After each Communion Service FIA will be selling cards to try and raise funds. The cards are R5 each. Please try and support them.

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.



Please see the new Snapscan QR code for you to use. If you are contributing via EFT, Cash or weekly Offerings, you can continue to do so - these payment methods will remain in place.

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