02 February 2025

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SERVICE TIMES

Bible Study & Sunday School

Bible Study 9:00- 9:45 AM. Sunday School 9:00-9:45 AM Young Adults 9:00- 9:45 AM. Youth 9:00- 9:45 AM. <u>Sunday Worship</u> AM: 10:00 - 11:15 PM: 18:00 - 19:00

From the desk of Dereck...

Heavenly Treasure

iving a new life in Chris

Luke 12:34 reads, *"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."* A great literary character collecting physical treasures is Ebenezer Scrooge from Charles Dickens's book, *A Christmas Carol*. As a teenager and young adult, Ebenezer is a happy-go-lucky and compassionate fellow who even finds love. As he gets older, however, Ebenezer starts to make more and more money. As he does, Ebenezer neglects the woman who loved him, forsakes his fellow man, and becomes a heavy-handed miser: all because his heart belonged only to the counting and amassing of more incredible wealth. Treasure is a word associated with monetary wealth, but any-thing that children of God put before Him can become our heart's treasure and sole desire.

James 1:14-15 has this to say about desire, "But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death." In Numbers 16, the third son of Levi, named Korah, placed his heart into worldly treasures because he desired the title of leader more than he had wanted to obey God. Korah and his rebels said to Moses and Aaron, "You have gone too far! For all in this congregation are holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the Lord." God had directly appointed Moses and Aaron in Egypt (Exodus 7). Korah and his rebels were too wrapped up in their worldly desires to notice that rebelling against Moses and Aaron meant rebelling against God Himself. Thus, their desire led them to sin with false accusations, and their sin led them to their death at the hand of God (Num. 16:32-35).

When Jesus gave His sermon on the mount (Matthew 5-7), he told mankind, "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot love God and money." Ebenezer and Korah are two examples that help prove Jesus' point: a heart cannot be in two places at once. If your heart is not with God, then you will end up hating Him as you pursue your desire for some type of Earthly gain. The apostle Paul is a great illustration of a person who puts his heart in God. In the beginning of Philippians 3, the apostle Paul talks about how he had everything a man of stature in Jewish society could desire. He was a Pharisee who could prove his lineage to the tribe of Benjamin, was circumcised on the eighth day, and was considered blameless under the law. Yet, in the latter half of Phil. 3:8 Paul writes, "For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ." Paul is perfectly content to lose everything he had gained in his life on Earth because they are temporary and fleeting, while the righteousness he gains through loving Christ will last an eternity.

Jesus says in Mark 8:34-36, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?" Are you on a temporary path like Korah and Ebenezer, or are you on the path to everlasting life like Paul?

Pray this week will be a blessing to you.

Love

Dereck

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LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Tuesdays at 10am Contact: Sue 063 779 9914 or Ali 084 5584 508

MID WEEK BIBLE STUDY CLASS

Wednesday 7.00 - 8.00 pm

SMALL GROUPS

Thursday evening group, Bible Study

Thursday 7.00—8.00pm

Contact: Johan G 083 233 4726 or Darryn 072 385 9062 <u>YOUTH FRIDAYS</u> 18H30—20H00 (alternates)

Kids for Christ Grade 2 to Grade 7

Contact: Tish 084 398 8556 or Gaynor 072 111 5220

YOUTH Grade 8 to Grade 12

Contact: Johan & Gaynor Pienaar 083 456 0791

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9am—9:45am					
DATE	02 February	09 February			
Cradle roll	ТВС	ТВС			
Age 4—6	Alison Diedericks	Alison Diedericks			
Grade 1—2	Marietjie	Marietjie			
Grade 3 - 4	Marietjie	Marietjie			
Grade 5 - 7 Johan Gerber Jo		Johan Gerber			

PRAYER REQUESTS

Those who are ill/surgeries: , Dennis Stubbs ,Zelda Gerber, Kathy Wishart, Elijah April, Ursula Stubbs, Reg Townsend, Anna Haasenjager

The bereaved: Our love & condolences to Tracey Green & family. May the God of comfort be with you.

The elderly & those in need of prayer: SA Bible College, our country & leaders & world leaders, and those affected by the wars in the Ukraine, Palestine & Israel.





UPCOMING EVENTS Month-end Fellowship Tea Sunday 23 February

Senior Saints High Tea Saturday 08 March Time: TBC

Sunday School Picnic After service on Sunday 30 March



Delene Bywater02 FebTendani Mabuda02 FebLiam Whitmill02 FebJasmine Emma Martin03 FebAnna Hasenjager04 FebBernadette Beyer06 FebCharlotte Matee08 Feb

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dean & Bernadette Beyer—04 Feb Chris & Zelda Gerber—06 Feb

TUESDAY LADIES' CLASS

Teaching: Coral Book: Thought Garden Ch 3: Paving Paths Announcements & prayer: Ali

THURSDAY GROUP

Durbanville group will meet at the home of Christa Gerber.

Skot will be teaching.

Please contact Christa Gerber on 084 897 4974 with any queries.

Malmesbury/Paarl group also meet on a Thursday, on zoom. Please contact Darryn McLachlan 072 385 9062 for the details.

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

Devo evening

Date: Sun 09 February at: 6pm

THIS WEEK 02 February 2025		DUTY ROSTER	NEXT WEEK 09 February 2025		
АМ	РМ	DOTT NOSTER	AM	РМ	<u>FINANCES</u>
Dereck Beukes		ANNOUNCE- MENTS	Dereck Beukes		God bless you
Joe Tshililo		SONG LEADER	Stephen Leibbrandt		as you excel
Johan Gerber		LORD'S SUPPER	André Botes		In your giving -
Johan G, André,	Johan G, André, André Jnr, George		André, Rikki, Glen, Gary		2 Cor. 8 : 7
AndréBotes		SCRIPTURE & PRAYER	Rikki Jäck		****
Dereck Beukes		PREACHING	Dereck Beukes	Devo evening	
André Botes Jnr		CLOSING PRAYER	R Glen DW Holmes		<u>BANKING DETAILS</u> NEDBANK
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