

26 October 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.

### Sunday Worship

AM: 10:00 - 11:15

PM: 18:00 –19:00

# Living a new life in Christ

*From the desk of Dereck...*

## Understanding the Atonement: A Biblical Perspective

The atonement lies at the heart of the Christian faith. It refers to the work Christ accomplished through His death and resurrection to reconcile humanity to God. Through atonement, the barrier of sin that separates people from God is removed, offering restoration, forgiveness, and peace with God.

The need for atonement arises from humanity's sinful condition. **Romans 3:23** states, *"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."* Sin not only corrupts human nature but also incurs divine wrath and judgment. The consequence of sin is death — not only physical but spiritual separation from God (**Romans 6:23**). Because God is holy and just, He cannot ignore sin. Yet, He is also merciful and loving, providing a way for redemption.

**That provision is Jesus Christ.** The Old Testament sacrificial system foreshadowed Christ's work. Under the Mosaic Law, the high priest offered sacrifices to make atonement for the people's sins (**Leviticus 16**). These sacrifices, however, were temporary and symbolic, pointing forward to the ultimate sacrifice — Jesus. **Hebrews 10:4** declares, *"It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins."*

Jesus is described as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (**John 1:29**). His death on the cross was substitutionary — He died in the place of sinners. **Isaiah 53:5** prophesied, *"But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."* The Apostle Paul echoes this truth in **2 Corinthians 5:21**: *"God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."*

**The atonement serves to reconcile humanity with God.** That means Christ's death satisfied God's wrath against sin. **Romans 3:25** says, *"God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood — to be received by faith."* Through Jesus' sacrifice, justice was satisfied, and mercy was extended.

With the barrier of sin removed, Christ restored the relationship between God and humanity. **Colossians 1:21–22** affirms, *"Once you were alienated from God... but now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death."*

Importantly, the benefits of the atonement are applied through faith. It is not automatic or universal; it must be personally received by hearing the word, believing, repenting, confessing, and being baptised, as declared throughout the Gospels. **Romans 5:1** states, *"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."*

In conclusion, the atonement is a divine act of love and justice. Through Jesus' death and resurrection, God provided a way for sinners to be forgiven, justified, and reconciled to Himself. This central truth calls faithful Christians to live lives marked by gratitude, holiness, and hope.

Let's spread this hope to all of humanity so that many will be saved because of our reaching out as His son did.

Love in Christ

Dereck

### CONTACT DETAILS

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**Maintenance:** Stephen Leibbrandt 084 790 7721

### 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

**YOUTH FRIDAYS** 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

### PRAYER REQUESTS



*Those who are ill/surgeries:* Darryn McLachlan, Jackie October, Christina Lallam, Reg Townsend, Jenni Woolicot, Annette Day, Neil Taylor, Elijah April.

*The bereaved:* Our love & condolences to the Beukes family & Dorothy Boshoff's family & to Nicolene Bain & 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 all the wars around the world.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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| Virginia Salzmann     | 26 Oct |
| Katinka Tomlinson     | 28 Oct |
| Gavin Fullard         | 30 Oct |
| Natalie VD Westhuizen | 30 Oct |
| Elise Godon           | 31 Oct |
| Andries Jansen        | 01 Nov |
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### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Paul & Helga Diedericks—31 Oct



### TUESDAY LADIES' CLASS

Teaching: Marietjie

Supporting Sisters

Ch 10 How to maintain a patient & calm demeanour

Announcements & prayer: Sue



### THURSDAY GROUP

Durbanville group will meet at the home of Males & Karin Tomlinson.

Males 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

Topical study from Proverbs

Date: Sun 26 October at: 6pm

Teaching: Charles

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MONTH END TEA

Date: Sunday 26 October

Venue: Bellville church

Time: After service

Please join us after service this morning and enjoy some fellowship with one another.

### FAMILY FUN DAY

Date: Saturday 06 December

Venue: Bellville church

Time: 09h00 to 14h00



### SUNDAY SCHOOL 9am—9:45am

| DATE        | 26 October         | 02 Novemberr     |
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| Cradle roll | TBC                | TBC              |
| Age 4—6     | Devereaux & Lauren | Anemari & Lauren |
| Grade 1—2   | Konanani           | Karin Tomlinson  |
| Grade 3 - 4 | Konanani           | Karin Tomlinson  |
| Grade 5 - 7 | Lucy— May          | Willie Bester    |

### THIS WEEK 26 October 2025

| <u>THIS WEEK 26 October 2025</u> |                                             | <u>DUTY ROSTER</u> | <u>NEXT WEEK 02 November 2025</u> |               |
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| AM                               | PM                                          |                    | AM                                | PM            |
| Duan Stander                     |                                             | ANNOUNCEMENTS      | Dereck Beukes                     |               |
| Joe Tshililo                     |                                             | SONG LEADER        | Stephen Leibbrandt                |               |
| Johan Pienaar                    |                                             | LORD'S SUPPER      | André Jnr Botes                   |               |
| Johan P, Jorren, HD, Gary        |                                             | AM SERVERS         | André, Tendani, Juan, Duan        |               |
| Jorren Sloan                     |                                             | SCRIPTURE & PRAYER | Tendani Mabuda                    |               |
| André Botes                      | Topical Study from:<br>The book of Proverbs | PREACHING          | Dereck Beukes                     | Song & Prayer |
| HD Botes                         |                                             | CLOSING PRAYER     | Juan Thomas                       |               |
|                                  |                                             | COMMUNION          |                                   |               |
|                                  |                                             | TEA                |                                   |               |
| Jorren                           |                                             | Sound              | Charles                           |               |

### FINANCES

God bless you

as you excel

In your giving -

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### BANKING DETAILS

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