

Thanksgiving

welcome to our service

Are you Registered an excerpt of the Sunday Sermon 26/11/2023

by Dr Bruce Woolard

The country will hold a general election next year and a call to register to vote has been sounded. “*Have you registered?*” is a frequently asked question?

From a spiritual and more important perspective I ask “*are you registered?*” Every believer who confesses Christ as personal Saviour becomes a citizen of Heaven—**Philippians 3:20**. As physical birth qualifies you for earthly citizenship, so spiritual birth qualifies you for citizenship in heaven. Becoming a new creation in Christ secures your place in eternity. We have been made physical (from the properties of our parents and progenitors), we have been given a human spirit by God as a life source of energy. As a result of the physical and metaphysical fusion conception follows and we become a living soul.

Because we are part of humanity we share the spiritual death of Adam. All have sinned and therefore, our spirit lies dormant and inactive within us. God awakens our sleeping spirit by His indwelling Spirit. We are quickened within and become God conscious. We are born anew. It is this spiritual mystery that transforms us in Christ.

It has been said if you are born once you die twice (a physical and eternal death), but if you are born twice you’ll only die once. God has registered you in the Book of Life, if you positively and personally acknowledge and receive Him as Saviour.

There are **seven golden benefits** of heaven as a place.

- Our Faith is there,
- Our Saviour is there,
- Our Home is there,
- Our Name is there,
- Our **Life** is there,
- Our **Inheritance** is there,
- And our **Citizenship** is there.

Are you registered for your eternal destiny—**Revelation 20:15**—Those who are not registered will be cast into hell, separated from the source of life for eternity. This is the second death.

Don’t delay, be registered today.

Don’t procrastinate the most important decision of your life.

Confess Him as Saviour—Romans 10:9
and become a new person in Christ
2 Corinthians 5:17.



REMINDER It's this time of the year

A COOL CHURCH.

With the hot stuffy weather during summer it necessitates that the Church air conditioners are set for the comfort of all.

If it is too cold for you in your regular seat, please consider an alternative seat situated in a more comfortable zone. If we may also suggest that you perhaps consider bringing along a jersey to put over your shoulders.

The Deacons would appreciate your understanding and assistance in this matter. **Thank you.**



IN RECESS for 2023



Please be advised that the following departments are in recess for the December holidays.

- Thursday morning Bible Study
- Sunday School & Teen Church
- Wednesday morning Knock & Drop

Start-up dates for the various departments will be advertised, at a later stage, in the January 2024.



December is Thanksgiving Month

We celebrate Thanksgiving during the month of December.

It affords you the opportunity to place your Thanksgiving offertory in the baskets at the altar with a prayer of gratitude to God for His goodness and provision in your life.

For your convenience an envelope has been included in the bulletin.

Should you not have received an envelope, spare envelopes are available at the front of the church or ask a Deacon for assistance.

For your convenience should you wish to make a direct deposit into St Davids bank account our details are as follows:
St Davids Congregational Church—
Nedbank (Chq Acc) 1268 035 025—
Branch 126817

1 Corinthians 1:4

"I always thank my God for you because of His grace given you in Christ Jesus."

Please submit prayer requests to: stdavids@telkomsa.net or call 041-3601127 or send a WhatsApp to 081 041 0935

Graeme & Ruth Smith, Marlene Shannon, Marcial Schroeder, Mae Richards, Denise Mears, Ernie van Vreden, Ashleigh Cummings, Beverley Minnaar, Michael Williams, Miranda Paulsen, Connie van Dam, Yvette Danckwerts, Sharon Grobler, Debra Langford, Karen, Nicolette Botha, Adele Endley, Roelien Taylor, Shiela van der Merwe, Jane Oelofse, Joan & Warner Udemans, Roland & Erna Rossouw, Gary Elliott, Robert Brown, Robert Daly, Michelle Thomson, Marlene Arnold, Delene Senekal, Danie Lategan, Collette Coates, Jenny Munro, Lesley Cleve-Cross, Peggy Cleve, Dawn & Robin Hadwen, Rowene van Zyl, Val Smith, Diane & Brian Callahan, Dale Laing, Elsabe & Peter du Plessis, Kenneth de Klerk, Sandra Singer, Errol Woolard, Cecily Chase, Hilton Woolard, Doffie Eke, Basil Gunston.



Calendar of Events

Coffee & Conversation

Join us on **Friday 08/12 / 10-12pm**

Our last get-together for this year as we go into recess for the December holidays.

R20 = Tea/Coffee & Cake of the day.

We look forward to seeing you. Bring a friend.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSURES

Friday 15/12/2023

Please be advised that the church office will close for this year as Elzunia takes her annual leave. However, she is **contactable for EMERGENCIES**. The opening of the office date to be advised in January 2024.

SUNDAY CAROL MORNING

17/12/2023 @ 9:00AM

Diarise this special event on the St Davids calendar—Carols in the morning.

Bring along family & friends.

This will also be **our last Sunday morning tea fellowship** in the hall after the service as our faithful, conscientious tea ladies take a well earned break. Watch the bulletin in January for the date we start up again.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

SUNDAY 24/12 @ 9:00AM

MONDAY 25/12

CHRISTMAS DAY @ 8:00AM

SUNDAY 31/12 @ 9:00AM

OLD YEARS EVE SERVICE with Bruce
at **St Marks Church on Sunday 31/12**

@ 11:00pm

All welcome to attend.



Thank you

FOR YOUR SUPPORT

The Pastorate, Deacons, Church Secretary and Department Leaders express thanks and gratitude for your positive response to our many requests this past year to reach out to the poor and needy.

Besides supporting the huge Motherwell Project that feeds 250 children weekly, St Davids also supplies knitware, toys, blankets, clothing, household goods, books, recycled items for school projects, food parcels, to name but a few items we collect, plus we fill and distribute the Jar of Hope Soup Bottles, to more than 15 sub-charity organisations in the city. The outreach also renders relief to many individuals, families and fire victims in our community. Our Wednesday morning team of ladies faithfully pack parcels with these items for our outreach, receive donations delivered and supply wool to our faithful and creative ladies who knit and crochet items for the outreach.

Your support has made it possible for St Davids to be a conduit of hope and blessing to those living in abject poverty and intolerable conditions.

May our Lord reward you for your generous, thoughtful and loving concern. You have helped us bring cheer, hope and relief to so many people, young and old.

*If you plant for a year, plant grain,
If you plant for ten years, plant a trees
If you plant for 100 years, plant men,
If you pant fort Eternity, plant the Word.*



BANKING DETAILS:

St Davids Congregational Church

Nedbank, Greenacres Branch No: 126817

Acc No: (Chq) 1268 035 025

Thank you for your faithfulness.



Doxology (HS85)

MAY GOD'S BLESSING

May God's blessing surround you each day
As you trust Him and walk His way
May His presence within guard and
keep you from sin
God in peace, go in joy, go in love.

Jesus is Lord (H260)

Jesus Is Lord! Creation's Voice
Proclaims It
For By His Power Each Tree And
Flower was Planned And Made
Jesus Is Lord! The Universe Declares
It
Sun, Moon And Stars In Heaven cry,
'Jesus Is Lord!'

CHORUS

*Jesus Is Lord! Jesus Is Lord!
Praise Him With allelujajs
For Jesus Is Lord!*

Jesus Is Lord! Yet From His Throne
Eternal
In Flesh He Came To Die In Pain on
Calvary's Tree
Jesus Is Lord! From Him All Life
Proceeding
Yet Gave His Life A Ransom thus
Setting Us Free **CHORUS**

Jesus Is Lord! O'er Sin The Mighty
Conqueror
From Death He Rose, and all His foes
shall Own His Name
Jesus Is Lord! God Sent His Holy
Spirit
To Show By Works Of Power That
Jesus Is Lord! **CHORUS**

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (H181)

Were you there when they crucified my
Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my
Lord?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they crucified my
Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to
the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to
the tree?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to
the tree?

Were you there when they laid him in
the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in
the tomb?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they laid him in
the tomb?

Were you there when God raised Him
from the dead?
Were you there when God raised Him
from the dead?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.
Were you there when God raised Him
from the dead?

Psalm 50:14

"Offer to God a sacrifice of
thanksgiving, and perform your
vows to the Most High."