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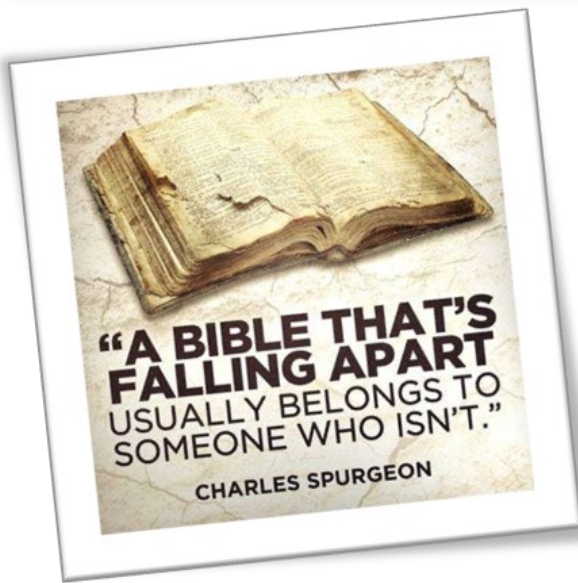


Welcome to our Service

Please notify the church office if you have changed address, contact number or email address, via email



secretary@stdavids.org.za or Whatsapp 081 041 0935, or ask a Deacon to assist you on a Sunday and make a note for you. Thank you.



UPDATE OF PRAYER LIST

Dear members and adherents,

It's a new year and we begin the prayer list on a clean slate. Please submit your prayer requests by either **speaking** the

Deacons on Sunday,

or email secretary@stdavids.org.za

or Whatsapp 081 041 0935.

We ask that a contact details please be included for all submissions for the prayer list in order that we may follow up prayer requests. Thank you.



Sunday School and Teen Church

will resumes on

SUNDAY 19TH JANUARY @ 9:00am

We look forward to seeing all the children and teens as we step forward into 2025.

Proverbs 22:6

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it"



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YOU ARE HAPPY BECAUSE

by Dr Bruce Woolard

The jolly season is over and the reality of life in this new year has arrived. The claim to being happy seems so frivolous because it is so fragile. The question of "How to be happy" is relative. A dog with a bone is happy, a canary in a cage may chirp and whistle because it's happy. A child may express the glee of happiness because of the prospect of mom buying an ice cream for him or her. But true happiness is more than "getting something." How can we be happy when life is so unpredictable.

Has life lost its zest for you like flat coke loses its fizz? Do you feel that you're merely existing and that life is passing you by? It is a fact that more people today suffer "low mood syndrome" than any other time in human history.

There are many reasons for this malady, notwithstanding societies demands on being hip and relevant. I, me and my have become the "three" most import factors in life. Living a self-absorbed life robs you of the values that inspire happiness. A self centred life will leave you feeling empty.

The Christian message cuts across the worlds perspective of happiness. As a believer you are happy because

- **God has set you free** from a life that was ego-centric and self focused.
- You are forgiven and saved from a self destructive lifestyle.
- **You have a new identity** and purpose in life.

- **A new life and new Spirit** now fills your being.
- **You are a citizen of heaven.** Registered and sealed as a co-heir with Christ.
- **You are happy because**
your life is driven by a new energy. Your life is now Christo-centric and spiritual values have replaced the old style of thinking and behaving.

In Christ you are blessed (made happy) with all spiritual blessings – Ephesians 1:3 – asserts this Truth. It is this fact that enables us to rejoice and be glad. Contentment and happiness is yours to enjoy.

Make Jesus your Lord and Master and I assure you happiness, this year, will be your reward. Believe me it works.



JOIN US FOR TEA



Tea in the Ron Aston Hall **will resume on Sunday**

19/01/2025 after the service. We look forward to seeing you all for a good natter and fellowship.

We thank our Tea Ladies for their dedication and assistance in this important ministry and we do hope they all enjoyed a lovely holiday with family and friends.

BANKING DETAILS:

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