

# CHURCH NEWS



A DISCIPLINE, LOVING COMMUNITY, SERVING JESUS CHRIST.

OCTOBER 2016

*Dear friends,*

We have had a very exciting Alpha course and Alpha camp which was well attended with 100 folk involved and well run by Llewellyn and Carol Thomas.

As we come to the last quarter the temptation is to go into low gear, but I am sensing that the Lord is going to up the tempo and we are going to experience some very anointed and powerful times of His presence. I have had a picture of a net over George and have had confirmation of this vision not only from people in our church but also in the community. It is a picture of compassion, care and ensuring that we are at work with the Good News of the Gospel in George. I also pictured some holes in the net which needed to be mended relating to other churches and folk in the city of George where we need to build relationships. It is also practical in terms of our database and the folk in our community who we need to be in touch with. We are building into 2017 care teams, area leaders and more home groups, a 20's to 30's group and our youth



and children's church ministry and outreach ministry in partnership with others in George.

Sunday services will also be focussed on how to care more and build a family church of people who are reaching out to others with a net of love and care throughout the week. We are joining together for leadership training on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October in Knysna at the Global leadership summit and trusting that many folk will come to this and then we have our planning day on 27<sup>th</sup> October for 2017. Please keep this in your prayers as we sit and listen to what the Lord wants us to do in His mission field.

*Blessings, Rev Peter.*

## DATES TO DIARISE FOR OCTOBER

Sun 2nd	W.A. Cake Sale
Tues 4th	W.A.
Tues 4th -6th	Youth Herald Outreach
Fri 7th	Men4God Braai
Mon 10-12th	Minister's Spring Summit
Wed 12th	Grade 7 Join Youth
14th-16th	Authentic Men Youth Camp
Tues 18th	W.A.
Wed 19th	Alpha Celebration
Fri 21-22nd	Leadership Summit
Thurs 27th	Staff Planning Meeting
Sun 30th	W.A. Cake Sale

## DATES TO DIARISE FOR NOVEMBER

Fri 4th	Men4God Braai
Tues 1st	W.A- AGM
Thurs 10th	Society 1/4ly meeting
Tues 15th	W.A
Wed 16th-18th	Sup. Planning Indaba
Sun 27th	Advent One Church Family Picnic

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For more info, details, photos & exciting events



The church has always been part of Colleen Oranmore-Brown's life and she has come to love the Methodist church. *Our church, she said, is a church for everyone.*

She loves to read and her lifelong occupation has been nursing. She started working in the hospital at the age of 16 and this has revealed to her, her life calling to pray and care for people. For many year she has been involved with our care and prayer ministry at Church and currently she still leads 2 prayer groups which one of them specifically prays for those on our

Church prayer list and until recently she did weekly hospital visits.

Colleen and her husband Dave Oranmore-Brown are celebrating their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year and she says as a Family, when their children were at home they loved the outdoors and went hiking and spending time at the beach. Now their children are spread all around the world... Their eldest son Wayne has two children and lives and works in Mpumalanga. Their daughter Frayne has one son and lives and works in England and the youngest son Craig and wife Rae are missionary doctors in Zambia.

Her take on life is *'Life is changing so much nowadays and it is easy to hop to different churches but we need to ask God where we need to be. We often give up if things get difficult'* and with these simple word she ended the sentence ***'Just don't give up'***.

## LOVE IN A BOX

We all love getting presents. Big ones, small ones, little ones, tall ones... a gift can bring so much excitement. This Christmas we will be sharing the love with our "LOVE IN A BOX" Christmas Church Outreach project. We will be making 150 Christmas boxes for a pre-primary school in Oudtshoorn called Micky Mouse.

Each box will contain a couple of necessities and something nice and will go to a specific child in need. Next month we will set up a tree with kid's names on and you can pick a specific boy or girl that you would like to bless this Christmas. We will also be having work parties to prepare some things to go into the box. The idea is to not only bless the children with a gift but also to spend time in prayer for them during the Christmas season. We are a loving, discipling and serving community let's get together this season and spread some of this JOY to somebody in need.

***If you would like to join a workshop or need more info please contact church office.***



## FUN AT THE ALPHA CAMP



# THE PRAYER SATURATED CHURCH



**W**hen I was younger there was a song we use to sing and I am sure many still know it. It was about Jesus being lifted high and the line *“prayer is a powerful weapon, stronghold come tumbling down”* was sung with gusto in my church. As a child this made an impression on my heart. Prayer=Weapon.

I think for some prayer can be seen as an old school practice, meant for some but not for all. We pray to say thank you for our food and God’s protection. And when a dark day comes we pray for God’s intervention. But I have come to believe that prayer should be a way of life. Prayer is a tool of offence and defence for God’s people.

In the book *The Prayer Saturated Church* this statement is quoted *“The definition of success is: finding out what is on Jesus’ heart and then doing it, when and how He says to.”* There is a revelation with this statement as it highlights one of the key purposes of prayer. *“Prayer is not a program. It’s a*

*movement beginning in the heart of God.”*

To get to know what is on Jesus heart, is to get to know Him and when we see the heart of our Lord it softens and awakens our hard hearts to respond to Him. So an individual’s prayer is foundational and as a corporate body of believers it is transformational.

There is an expression *“a family who prays together stays together”* I would take this statement even further to say *“a Church who prays together stays together”* as we represent God’s family. So may we embrace this spiritual weapon God has given us and invite Him to saturate our lives and Church for His purpose.

*“5 Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion...7 They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion”. Psalm 84*

**Watch this space for more prayer and care opportunities to come.**

## FEEDBACK FROM CHILDREN’S CHURCH



What an exciting term we had! The Seniors have just finished the series about prayer and Juniors were discovering all the kids in the Bible. We have all learnt so much:) We have now come to the place where we are saying goodbye to our grade 7 cell group. From the first Wednesday of next term they will be joining in with Youth. They will begin their integration into the Wednesday Youth group and we pray they will be so blessed and continue to grow in their love and faith in Jesus. We will miss you guys!

## FEEDBACK FROM YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth is very excited for our upcoming outreach to Herold from the 4th-6th October. We will be a team of about 13. Please Keep us in your prayer for Gods favour and awesome God moments with the youth of Herold. Reuben and Rachel is also returning from their time abroad. We will start the transition of them taking over as Youth Pastors and pioneering a ministry for Young Adults...Whohoo!! God is Good.



# MEET THE TEAM

Please note our Pastoral Team is Not Available on their 'day off'. To make an appointment with Pastoral staff please contact Church office.

**Resident Minister:** Peter Veysie – day off Friday

**Children's Pastor:** Gayle Botes

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## FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY

Pastor on Duty After Hours: 076 946 2857

# PREACHING PLAN

## SUNDAY 2 OCTOBER 2016

**08H00 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie (Holy Communion)**

Vestry duty: Phil

Home Group: Ken

**09H30 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie**

Vestry duty: Diana

Home Group: Leon & Christa

**18h00 NO SERVICE**

## SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER 2016

**08H00 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie**

Vestry duty: Llewellyn

Home Group: Joan

**09H30 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie (Holy Communion)**

Vestry duty: Karl

Home Group: Tony & Blanche

**18h00 NO SERVICE**

## SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER 2016

**08H00 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie**

Vestry duty: Charl

Home Group: Glynis

**09H30 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie**

Vestry duty: Patrick

Home Group: Gail & André

**18H00 Preacher: Rev Peter Veysie (Holy Communion)**

Vestry duty: Llewellyn

## SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2016

**08H00 Preacher: Rev. Peter V.**

Vestry duty: Diana

Home Group: Rob

**09H30 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie**

Vestry duty: Phil

Home Group: Hardy & Marianne

**18H00 Preacher: Caroline Baard**

Vestry Duty: Marchelle

## SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2016

**08H00 Preacher: Rev. Peter Veysie**

Vestry duty: Karl

Home Group: David & Jeannette

**09H30 Preacher: : Rev. Peter Veysie**

Vestry duty: Charl

Home Group: Caroline & Charl

**18H00 Preacher: Lydia Loots**  
Vestry Duty: Parick

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