

Trinity Methodist Church

LINDEN, JOHANNESBURG



Prayer is the key of the morning and the bolt of the night.

6 September 2015

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all the virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

Colossians 3: 12 – 16



Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. *Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.*

If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power forever and ever. **Amen.**

1 Peter 4: 9 - 11

COME TO THE WELL if you are ill, stressed anxious, depressed, grieving or having to cope with various problems. **'The Well'** is a weekly healing service, held every Thursday from 17h 45 to 18h30 at Trinity Methodist Church.

WE PRAY FOR:

MARGARET MORRIS passed away last week. We pray for Vanessa & Rohan (son) in their sadness

JOHN BATH (son of Fred Bath) passed away last week. Pray peace at this difficult time for Loretta (daughter) & Nkosi. His funeral will be at Trinity Tuesday 8th August at 10am.

DAVID (Dave & Ingrid Heggie's son-in law) passed away in the UK. He had cancer and was eventually put on life support. Our prayers of sympathy and support are with Dave & Ingrid at this sad time.

SLADE HODGE (18, mother Leanne; brother Kai), a member of Trinity Youth who had a motor bike accident, is now receiving physio. He will be in ICU for a further 3 weeks before they attempt skin graft.

FRANCES SIMPSON is out of frail care and doing well, she is a bit concerned about the next leg op but reconciled to the idea that it needs to be done.

MICHAEL DE ROOS (Esme Thomson's brother) had an emergency op Tuesday after a sonar scan detected that he had testicular cancer. He is waiting for the results of the tests to see if the cancer has spread to the lungs. His wife is Sue, children Matthew & Sarah.

MARIE LE GRANGE (husband Alfred) was re-admitted to hospital on Thursday, suffering with massive headaches. She underwent an urgent sinus op, which was successful, but her face is very swollen.

CORAL FISHER is to have a carpal op on 16th Sept, together with other hand surgery.

TERRY (Maureen Dewberry's brother) has lung cancer. He has had radiation, and now needs chemo. His wife is very distressed.

CECIL & SUE EDWARDS thank all who prayed them through the trauma of moving house. Pray that they will quickly settle in to their new home, which will be blessed at 4pm on 20th September (273 Jubilee Drive, Northcliff).

JANCSI (wife Annie, 2 children 6 & 9) went missing from his Craighall home on Saturday 29th August and has not been seen or heard of since. He did not take his cell phone and was driving a white Yaris CF 96CZ GP.

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

JACO BARNARD (Rita Fergusson's son-in-law) is undergoing long term aggressive chemo to his lungs & liver in order to obtain remission. His family remains hopeful.

ANNA WADSWORTH (92) is still very weak. Pray strength & peace for Anna, Fiona (Anne's daughter) and David (Fiona's husband).

BABY BELLA (related to Joy Anderson) is no longer under sedation but still on a ventilator. Her surgeon is delighted with the results of the op. She is being fed minute drops of milk. We give thanks for answered prayers.

ELAINE VERMAAK is still in a great deal of pain, relying heavily on painkillers.

THE CONGREGATION We continue to pray for each Trinity member as we enter the third week of 'My Journey with Jesus'.

STACEY BRYSON (Nic & Nora Swart's daughter) we praise God that the heart op went well and Stacey is recovering well at home. Nic & Nora thank everyone for their support and prayers.

SCHOOLS IN GAUTENG & WESTERN CAPE on 28th Nov 6 schools in Gauteng & Western Cape will appear in the Supreme Court, in JHB, on charges of practicing Christian faith in schools. Please pray that God will guide attorneys and judge.

PAT MOSTERT (husband John) Her electrophysiological study has been re-scheduled for 16th September.

JEAN & DOUG COLE we continue to pray healing for Doug & strength for Jean.

TREVOR BARTLETT (wife Hanna-Marie) after consultation with the Oncologist Trevor is receiving precautionary chemo treatment in tablet form for the next 6 months. Blood results along with CT scan will inform the risk of cancer spreading over the next 5 years. The family is optimistic at this stage.

BOB DOUGLAS (Angela Wessel's dad) had a further op on Wednesday, docs found evidence of lots of bleeding so they fitted a VP (ventricular peritoneal) shunt. Op went well and he is due home after this weekend and will see doc in a months' time.

CHRONIC LIST: *Gloria McPherson* (emphysema), *Denese Pieterse* (severe pain), *Thembile* (back problems), *Anna Wadsworth* (90 - frail), *Woolf Schulze* (dementia), *Sean* (schizophrenia), *Reef* (USA - on-going problems), *Omar* (kidney problems), *Peter Clarke* (back problems), *Steven Basson* (Atrial fibrillation), *Lanie* (Marie Palmer's godchild - domestic problems), *Val Tyler* (heart fibrillation), *Louis Brugman* (heart problems), *Duncan Edwards* (stroke), *Pat Levins* (very ill), *Julian Squires* (skin grafts), *Audrey Newberry* (low blood pressure), *Sue* (hip replacement), *Sumi* (depression), *Harold Adams* (frail), *Miguel Moco* (13 - rugby injury), *Henrietta Small* (breathing problems), *Patti Price* (recovery from surgery), *Doug Cole* (frail), *Zelma's sons* (home on bail), *Willa Retief* (frail), *Pat Mostert* (heart problems), *Ella Waterston* (7 - chronic anxiety disorder), *Sebastian Msimang* (prostate), *Kerry* (severe back pains), *Grace Wilson* (fractured femur), *David* (heart problems), *Jean Thompson* (heart problems), *Tobias Steyn* (lungs & heart problem), *Bishop Peter Witbooi* (back problems), *Bob Douglas* (guidance regarding his care), *Frances Simpson* (leg problems), *Terry Sundgren* (shingles).

CANCER LIST: *David Edwards*, *Anton Marais*, *Nola Dodds*, *Hilda Louter*, *Val Warren*, *Dudley Middleton*, *Marguerite*, *Peter*, *Myrren* (18), *Diane Turner*, *Maureen Lupton*, *Martin vd Merwe*, *Russell Jones*, *Ursula Ryder*, *Lesley Steyn*, *Don Carneson*, *Louise Shaw*, *Brian K*, *John Sandison*, *Cindy Saunders*, *Marina van de Ruit*, *Brian Tromp*, *Elizabeth Innes*, *Greg Cleeve-Edwards*, *Joanna*, *Joy*, *John Clarke*, *Bill Coulle*, *Rev Hans Visser*, *Colleen*, *Gordene*, *Lizelle Slabber*, *Stuart Dixon*, *Maureen Booth*, *Marie Vosloo*, *Nick Breytenbach* (leukaemia), *Elaine Orpen*, *Geoffrey Waters*, *Mykel*, *Brenda Hulshoff* (leukemia), *Ingrid Ingram*, *Clive Glover*, *Eric*, *Ulrich Bracht*, *Brian* (leukaemia), *Jaco Barnard*, *Deidre Standsfield*, *Nan Tippett*.



Father, I see I'm destined to be like Jesus - to love like Him, give like Him and act like Him. When I walk in His ways I make progress; when I walk in some other way I stumble and fall. Help me to be more like Jesus. Amen.

Selwyn Hughes

We should not pass one day, 24 hours of our existence, without loving someone.

We love when we help, when we forgive, when we think or speak well of others

In the quietness of time Your love for me I find

You Keep On Loving Me

Pure love is unconditional, you say and you prove it to me every day

You Keep On Loving Me

THE GIFT OF LIFE

God bestows upon each of us the ultimate gift - ***the gift of life***. We may take this gift, and with proper nurturing and caring, develop it into an entire galaxy of talents, unfolding as a beautiful flower unfolds in the glory of the morning sunshine.

In sharing these talents with others we may help our fellow travellers to see beauties they may have missed, to remember dreams they may have forgotten, to break through barriers they may have thought were closed forever:

Often in giving we receive far more than we give. A gift may be like a tiny seed planted in the desert. Nurtured by God's love and infinite patience, it may eventually become a million thriving plants, stretching as far as the eye can see, across the wilderness, and beyond!

Give of your love, that it may form a bridge over the tumultuous rapids and ever-changing streams of life, between your heart & every other heart.

Give of your hopes, your dreams, your time, your skills, your memories, your knowledge, your love and happiness. ***Above all give of yourself. Give today! Don't wait for tomorrow!***

Give not only to others ***but to yourself***. Give yourself time, time to walk barefoot on the grass, feeling the pulsing earth under your feet, time to cradle a baby, break bread with a friend, or watch a changing sunset.



It is not so hard to receive as it is to **have** to receive. To be obliged to take a gift makes us agree swiftly with the words of the Lord Jesus when He said, "*It is more blessed to give than to receive*". Then we see how hard it is to take gracefully the kindnesses of our friends

We must be willing, not only to serve, *but to be served*; not only to bear others' burdens, *but to let others bear ours*; not only to minister to the sick, *but to be simply and thankfully ministered unto*; not only to give, *but to receive*.

It is sometimes the will of God that we should let others do the will of God, and ourselves be occasions instead of the authors of kindness.

How can there be any giving, any serving, *if there be no receiving?* *Someone must receive if another is to give. We give joy to the giver when we become the grateful receiver. Thus, as paradoxical as it may seem, in receiving there is giving. The noble receiver is the noble giver.*