

After His suffering, He showed Himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that He was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.

Acts 1:3 (NIV)

We have just commemorated **EASTER** and the glorious conquest of our **RISEN LORD!**

What wondrous things occurred during the forty days, when to His own *He showed Himself alive!* How their hearts must have burned within them when He opened the Scriptures and to them was given the Revelation of the **LIVING CHRIST!**

How natural, how easy were His manifestations! How noiseless the footsteps of Omnipotence! *He meets Mary in the early morning*, and calls her by name. *He greets those beloved fishermen*, who had forsaken their nets to follow Him, and *for these weary all-night toilers* He prepared a simple meal on the shores of Tiberius.

He joins the two downcast disciples on the Emmaus Road on the Sabbath afternoon, and when He heard them saying, “*we trusted that it had been He who would have redeemed Israel,*” He answered their doubts by a revelation of Himself! And that special revelation made them “*witnesses of these things*”. What definite testimonies they bore ever afterwards! *Oh, the glory of His Presence!*

In every age a testimony has been left by people of every rank of having found themselves in awe and rapture in the radiant Presence!

Abraham in the night, tending his altar fire; *Moses* on Sinai; *Isaiah* in the temple; *Peter, James* on the mount of Transfiguration, and *John* on the isle called Patmos!

*We too may know the shining Presence. The living God is **among you***” (Joshua 3:10). **“Lo, I am with you always, even to the close of the age!”**

Oh, that our eyes were opened that we might behold the riches of the glory of our inheritance, and the exceeding greatness of His power, which was wrought in Christ when God raised Him from the dead.



Dear Lord, today I acknowledge that pain, suffering and death are not the final word to my life. *Help me to fulfil the reason for which You created me. Fill me with Your life that I may radiate Your presence to those paralyzed with grief. Empower me with Your peace that I may dispel fear in the hearts of those I encounter. Amen.*

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

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One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, *'are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened here in these days?'*

'What things?' He asked. *'About Jesus of Nazareth,'* they replied.

"He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning but didn't find his body.

They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

He said to them, *"How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"* And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. But they urged him strongly, *"Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over."* So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.

Luke 24: 18 -31

THE WHITE EASTER FLOWERS

The Church was a mass of beautiful white flowers on Sunday which were arranged into 54 small bouquets & delivered to those who had lost loved ones in the past 12 months. *Thanks to each one who was a part of this ministry of caring & love.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR

MERILYN GARDINER (68) sadly passed away before Easter; our prayers and love are with Liz, family and friends at this sad time.

PROMISE MATSHAYA'S 15 month old baby boy passed away last Thursday. Our prayers surround Promise at this very sad time.

NORMA HART had surgery on Thurs to have a stent put into the artery near her spleen because of 2 aneurysms on the artery. However, they found the artery to be so damaged that they decided to close that part of the artery completely. Norma is in High Care.

CECIL EDWARDS took ill early this week, and was diagnosed with bronchitis on Thurs.

LESLEY VIELER is in Sandton Clinic & was diagnosed with acute cholecystitis, underwent gall bladder surgery on Friday. Husband Jonathan.

MARGARET MORISSE (John's mother) passed away on the 30th March. Our prayers continue to surround John, Judy & their family at this sad time.

GEOFFREY WATERS (Nina's brother) has bladder cancer; he has had radiation treatment & lost a lot of weight. His wife is working from home to be with him.

MYKEL diagnosed with prostate cancer, has started radiation, he has 2 types cancer.

BRENDA HULSHOFF in hospital having treatment for leukaemia, husband Jamie.

HENRIETTA SMALL now home after tests on her heart & kidneys, she is very tired.

KIRSTEN DUGMORE (daughter in law Jenny Dugmore) had a hysterectomy on Thurs. The op went well; results of tests will be available on Tuesday. Kirsten's husband is Warren and she has 2 children, 18 months & 3 years.

PATTI PRICE (husband Rob) slowly recovering from two back ops, the 2nd was to remove a haematoma (resulting from the first op) which was pressing on nerves in her spine rendering her unable to walk. Patti has been moved to a step down facility.

MOIRA SMITH (husband Lionel) passed away early Tuesday morning. Our thoughts and prayers are with her husband, Lionel, and all the family.

PETER CAULDER (Mandy's son) contracted severe food poisoning from food served at a hockey festival he was refereeing. He was on a drip & now confined to bed.

GRAHAM (Barbara Atkinson's brother) has been diagnosed with possible skin cancer; a large sensitive wart on his chest is to be removed.

NICHOLAS SENYARD (Tracey's son) suffering with high temps, fever and rigours.

NORAH SWART was hospitalised on Monday suffering with pleurisy, cough is getting better, she is receiving physio & will probably be sent home at the weekend.

CLIVE GLOVER (his wife Shirley) has cancer at the base of his spine & has lost 30 kgs. He is due a PET scan this week to determine if treatment is working. Shirley was retrenched in June last year and now works from home as a bookkeeper.

JOY VD KLIS reports: “*CEA of 7 has been stable now for 3 months, will do a blood test in 6 months’ time. God is good & I praise and thank Him for my incredible healing. I am growing stronger each day*” Joy thanks everyone for love & prayers.

CAROL & DALTON MARSH we rejoice with them as they celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary yesterday. May God continue to bless them.

NIC & NORAH SWART will also be celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Wednesday, 15th April. We praise God for your life together.

MESSAGES RECEIVED ON TMC WEB SITE:

- **YASHIKA** suffering from excessive loss of hair, is very depressed, needs healing.
- **WILLIE SMIT** battling to find employment, he is desperate for a job.
- **TERRIES HLONGWANI** has monetary problems; he needs a recording deal in his music career and believes there is a tokoloshe in his life.

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

RENEE BARNES is now permanently at her sons home, she feels well within herself, Hospice personnel have begun calling on her daily.

BERYL & HILTON AVIS. Beryl is out of hospital, recovering well although still very weak. Hilton is much better & is having to be ‘housewife’.

JOE PHIRI out of hospital and making a good recovery. Thanks for the prayers.

CHRONIC LIST: *Christine Dugmore* (broken shoulder), *Dirk Beier* (broken foot), *Gloria McPherson* (emphasema), *Denese Pieterse* (severe pain), *Thembile* (back problems), *Anna Wadsworth* (90 - frail), *Sonette Mac Gregor* (thymus gland removed), *Woolf Schulze* (dementia), *Sean* (schizophrenia), *Dallas Cass* (had shoulder surgery), *Reef* (USA - on-going problems), *Omar* (kidney problems), *Kate Waterston* (cortisol levels), *Peter Clarke* (back problems), *Steven Basson* (Atrial fibrillation), *Lanie* (Marie Palmer’s godchild - domestic problems), *Val Tyler* (heart fibrillation), *Elly Winkelman* (frail), *Louis Brugman* (heart problems), *Duncan Edwards* (stroke), *Corrie Jurgens* (strokes), *JENNA* (enthesitis), *Pat Levins* (very ill), *Julian Squires* (skin grafts), *Audrey Newberry* (low blood pressure), *Sue* (hip replacement), *Sumi* (depression), *Harold Adams* (frail).

CANCER LIST: *Gordon Bennett, David Edwards* (UK), *Anton Marais* (Sydney), *Lee Barnes, Nola Dodds, Tracy Hoy* (UK), *Hilda Louter, Val Warren, Dudley Middleton, Marguerite, Peter, Myrren (18), Diane Turner, Maureen Lupton, Martin vd Merwe* (Karin Blackburn’s dad), *Joy vd Klis, Daniela Andrade* (7), *Russell Jones, Ursula Ryder, Lesley Steyn, Don Carneson, Louise Shaw* (Texas), *Brian K, John Sandison, Cindy Saunders, Marina van de Ruit, Brian Tromp, Chloe Thomas, Elizabeth Innes, Greg Cleeve-Edwards, Joanna* (Maurice’s niece), *Joy* (Sam’s sister), *Gilbert Hughes, John Clarke, Dudley Hudson, Keith Bunce* (UK - wife Liz), *Bill Coulle, Rev Hans Visser, Colleen, Gordene, Lizelle Slabber, Stuart Dixon, Maureen Booth, Marie Vosloo, Nick Breytanbach* (leukaemia), *Renée Barnes, Elaine Orpen, Colin Bertram.*

