

SERVICE OUTLINE FOR SABBATH 14th DECEMBER 2019
MORNING PRAYER SESSION 9:45 - 10:00
Bible Study Hour: 10:00 am

Welcome:	Wallace Hacuma
Opening Hymn:	216 – 'When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder'
Prayer:	Wallace Hacuma
Lesson Study:	Elder Brenya Obeng
Mission Item & Offering:	Solomon
Closing Hymn:	163 – 'At The Cross'
Benediction:	Wallace Hacuma

DIVINE SERVICE 11:15

Welcome & Announcements:	Elder Tarzan Bhebhe
Opening Hymn:	6 – 'O Worship The Lord'
Opening Prayer:	Elder Tarzan Bhebhe
Scripture Reading:	Mark 8:34 – Jeremy Addai-Peprah
Hymn of Meditation	522 – 'My Hope Is Built'
Tithes & Offering:	Jeremy Addai-Peprah
Sermon	'Deny Yourself' – Pr. Jim Botha
Closing Hymn:	300 – 'Rock of Ages'
Benediction:	Pr. Jim Botha

AFTERNOON SESSION
Messy Church

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

A Christmas To Do List

Everyone is busy. If you talk to your friends and colleagues now, everyone is probably saying how much they have to do. They have exams to finish, reports to write and then they have to get ready for Christmas and all that entails. Then I hear someone say, it is just too much and you see the stress and worry on their face as another week ends.

Is this what Christmas is about? What do we need to do for Christmas? This morning, when I was listening to some Christmas carols, the words struck me in a different way and I started thinking more about some of my favorite carols and what we are told to do. Here is a bit of my new to do list.

Rejoice - The first thing I heard was 'Good Christians now rejoice, with heart and soul and voice!' (hymn 136). Despite the problems, troubles, and grief around us, we can rejoice. 'Jesus Christ is born today.' 'Angels sing: 'Peace on earth, to men goodwill' (hymn 123). We can remember that Jesus was not born in a time of peace or a place of comfort. 'Rejoice! Rejoice! Immanuel shall come to thee, oh Israel! (hymn 115). God is coming to us. What is our response? Do we '**receive** our King' and '**prepare** Him room' (hymn 125)?

Come - What do we do when we come to Him? 'Come and **behold** Him, born the King of angels!' (hymn 132). Here is something for us to meditate on and respond to--the great love of God to come to us as a baby. 'O come, let us **adore** Him, Christ, the Lord!' (hymn 132). 'Come and **worship, worship** Christ the newborn King' (hymn 119). Further in the same hymn, are the instructions to '**leave** your contemplations ... [and] **seek** the great Desire'.

Bring - As a part of worship, what do we bring? Do we **bring** 'our costliest treasures' (hymn 123)? Do we '**give** Him [our] heart' (hymn 126)?

Sing - 'Let us **sing**, alleluia to our King' (hymn 143). Music and celebration go together. '**Play** the musette, **play** the tuneful oboe, **sing** we all and **rejoice** this day' (hymn 133).

After our time of worship and adoration of God, there is more action required on our part. '**Go, tell** it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!' (hymn 122). We have good news of God's love and faithfulness to share with others. '**Rise up** shepherd and **follow**' (hymn 138). More and more, we see the importance of God's love and sharing that love to those around us. Think of an example of love and kindness that you have experienced from someone. It is easy to forget, how important our acts of kindness can be to others.

And as we end our worship, here is a prayer for all of us: 'Bid envy, strife, and quarrel cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace' (hymn 115). 'Cast out our sin and enter in--be born in us today... Oh, come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Immanuel!' (hymn 135).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: We are delighted to welcome you to Dundee Seventh-day Adventist Church; especially if this is your first visit. May our time together be blessed! We extend a warm invitation to all to join us for a bring-and-share meal immediately after the service.

MESSY CHURCH: Messy Church will be happening today from 15.00 - 17.00. All are invited. Help from members will be thoroughly appreciated.

FAMILY MEETNG: On 11th January 2020, the church will have a Family Meeting, starting at 2PM. All are invited. If any member wishes to register an agenda item, please contact Pr Jimmy before 4 January to do so. This meeting will function as a visioning meeting where the church will discuss its mission for the year.

MEMBER CARE FUND: There will be coloured socks available on Sabbath 21st Dec. for you to place your special offering inside. The socks will then be hung on the money tree and will benefit local needy members. (Or you can give your donation to Brenya or Neil). Please give generously to this worthwhile cause.

FOODBANK APPEAL: Please be generous and donate some tins or tasty treats for the local Dundee Foodbank this winter. Everyone needs to eat to keep warm and stay healthy. So please spare a thought for the poorer ones in our community. The collection box for your donations of non-perishable food items is in the fellowship hall. Thank you for thinking of others this Christmas!

MIDWEEK PRAYER: Every Wednesday from 6:00 pm at Church. You are welcome to the Testimony and Prayer Sessions, invite friends and families.

TITHE, OFFERINGS & OTHER PAYMENTS: Sort Code: 83-25-25, Account No: 00172727 and email n.robertson@onetel.net

MEDIA RECORDING: No unauthorised video, still pictures or audio are to be recorded during church services. During special events and other services, only the church's communications team is allowed to record any media and to make it available to the members through the channels available.

CHILDREN SAFETY/CARE: In Dundee, our intention is for everyone to enjoy their worship experience. We therefore request that all parents should always know where their children are; and are responsible for their children's whereabouts on church premises. Thank you for understanding.

BULLETIN ITEMS: Forward to: mervyn007fa@gmail.com or WhatsApp 07412679232 by Thursday evening.

Forthcoming Preachers

21/12 – Elder Brenya Obeng
28/12 – Elder Johnny Addai-Peprah
04/01 – Elder Goodmore Kanyong
11/01 – Pr. Jim Botha
18/01 – Mervyn Owusu-Ayim

Forthcoming Events

21/12 – Youth Banquet
28/12 – Day Of Prayer And Fasting



BULLETIN FOR 14th DECEMBER 2019

Guided by God's sufficient **grace**
Relying on God's free gift of **grace**
Acclaiming God's abundant **grace**
Calling all to live by God's merciful **grace**
Enlightened by the sure word of God's **grace**

SUNSET TIMES

Friday 13th December – 15:33
Saturday 14th December – 15:33
Friday 20th December – 15:34
Saturday 21st December – 15:35

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