

SERVICES FOR SABBATH 15th December 2012

BIBLE STUDY HOUR – 10:00 am

The topic for this quarter is: **“Growing in Christ”**

This week’s study is on the topic: **“The Christian Life”** led by Justin

Divine Service

Praise and Worship	
Welcome and Announcements	
Opening Hymn	SDAH #272 – Give Me the Bible
Prayer	
Scripture Reading	Luke 2, 1-7
Tithes & Offerings	Sandra N
Special Item	Thomas and Deborah
Children's Story	
Sermon	Pr. Marcel
Closing Hymn	SDAH #593 – In Times Like These
Prayer	

Afternoon Program

Care Home Visit

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Sabbath 15th December – 3:38 pm
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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Last weekend, Matthew was invited by his Gran to see the unveiling of a new memorial to Captain Scott in Glen Prosen (30 miles northwest of Dundee). Here, in a nearby cottage, the famous explorer had planned his second polar expedition, to the South Pole, with the naturalist, painter and physician Edward Wilson.

You may well know from history, that Scott and his colleagues travelled to the Antarctic to explore and research what they found in the natural environment of this untouched region. At the same time they sought to be the first men to reach the South Pole. Not only were they beaten by a Norwegian team of explorers, all the men tragically failed to make it back home, dying of cold, exhaustion and starvation, a mere 11 miles from the safety of base camp.

A couple of years ago, at the Discovery exhibition in Dundee, we learned one of the reasons for their failure to survive lay in the design of their clothing. After thorough research and testing, they had chosen to use outfits made from modern, lightweight, man-made materials. Despite the rigorous testing, they proved to be far less superior to the fur and animal skins that clothed and protected the Norwegian team. The Norwegians had chosen their dress using the wisdom of people who had first hand experience of living in arctic conditions and knew how to survive them.

I can't help but draw parallels from this with what I find in God's word. What we choose to 'wear' makes the difference in our receiving eternal life or death. I'm reminded how my salvation and eternal life depends, not on my own efforts, but in 'clothing' myself in Christ's righteousness. He freely offers us His robe of righteousness and we can choose to wear it, or to wear the 'man-made' garments of our own self-righteousness, and our far less superior human wisdom.

“ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, My soul shall be joyful in my God;
For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
He has covered me with the robe of righteousness.” Isaiah 61:10

Rachel



ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Welcome.** The pastor and congregation are delighted to welcome you to Dundee Seventh-day Adventist Church; especially if this is your first visit. May our time together be blessed! All are invited to join us for lunch after the service.

* It is with sadness that we learnt of the passing away of Rachel's grandfather. At this time, we invite you all to support Rachel and her family through your prayers, especially as they are making plans to deal with the situation.

* The Lord protects His beloved: this week, Sisa Khumalo (Sandie and Zee's mother) was involved in a car accident in Kirkaldy, one very slippery morning. Even though the occupants of the car were hurt, they are alive and safe. Let us pray that His hand of protection will continue to rest upon us all.

* **MESSY CHURCH** - on the 22nd December, we are launching a new outreach initiative. Between 4:00 and 6:00 pm, we are inviting parents and children from the community to come for a session of arts and crafts, music and Bible stories and a meal together. This is a great opportunity for the community to meet you all. Please plan to attend and help out. We will need people with a great variety of skills: arts and crafts leaders, greeters, general staff to give direction to folk, admin staff to operate the registration table, helpers in the kitchen to prepare and serve dinner, music leaders, audio-video operators, etc. PLEASE, let Claudette know which area you would like to be involved in.

* **Night of Prayer:** night prayer for the 29th December. Fasting and prayer after the communion service @ dundee church from 7pm -7am, open to all, fasting is up to each person. For more information about what we will be praying for on the night of prayer contact Rhoda Fleming.

* **Bible Study/Prayer meeting** –The Wednesday Bible Study/Prayer meetings will have a **short break**. It is planned to resume in early February.

* **Lost Property** There are quite a few items that have been left behind in church. Please look on the pegs in the small corridor if you have mislaid an item.

* **Mother & Toddler's Group** – we would like to invite all who can and wish to, to assist us in the running of the Toddler Group on a Tuesday morning (10:00 – 12:00).

* **Bulletin.** Meeting organisers please Email details of themes, hymns and other items or announcements for next week's Bulletin to Petra (petra.spacilova@gmail.com) on or before the Wednesday preceding the Sabbath. Want to know what's happening but missed getting a Bulletin? Surf the web to www.adventistdundee.com and then click on "Bulletins".

Future Preachers:

22nd Dec. Pr. Marcel Ghioalda
29th Dec – John Walton
5th Jan – Lineth Ndadzungira
12th Jan – Pr. Marcel Ghioalda

Future Events:

22nd Dec. - Christmas Family service
22nd Dec – Messy Church (pm)
29th Dec. - Communion service
29th Dec. - Night-long prayer & fast



SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

DUNDEE CHURCH BULLETIN



-- December 15th 2012 --

We extend a warm welcome to you and hope you enjoy worshipping with us today!

Receiving God's grace in our hearts
Responding to God's grace in worship
Reflecting God's grace to each other
Revealing God's grace in service