

\* \* \* SERVICES FOR SABBATH 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2015 \* \* \*

“Meet Your God” - Prayer Session 9:45 -10:00 - with Johnny Addai-Peprah

**BIBLE STUDY HOUR: 10:00 am**

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| Welcome           | Thandie Bhebhe                   |
| Opening Song      | 181 “Does Jesus Care?”           |
| Opening Prayer    | Thandie Bhebhe                   |
| Lesson Study      | Johnny Addai-Peprah              |
| Mission Spotlight | DVD                              |
| Offering Prayer   | Tarzan Bhebhe                    |
| Closing Song      | 152 “Tell Me the Story of Jesus” |
| Closing Prayer    | Lorna Mvula                      |

**DIVINE SERVICE: 11:15 am**

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| Welcome & Announcements                | Elder Johnny Addai-Peprah                  |
| Opening Hymn                           | 341 “To God Be the Glory”                  |
| Opening Prayer                         |  |
| Scripture Reading                      |  |
| Tithes and Offering                    |  |
| Sermonette                             | Pr. Marcel Ghioalda                        |
| Ordinance of Humility/Children’s Story |  |
| Hymn                                   | 343 “I Will Sing of My Redeemer” (vs. 1,2) |
| Invocation                             |  |
| Prayer for Bread                       |  |
| Prayer for Wine                        |  |
| Hymn                                   | 343 “I Will Sing of My Redeemer” (vs. 3)   |
| Benediction                            |  |

**AFTERNOON PROGRAMME**

Afternoon programme with Ashley & Bible Study with Pr. Marcel

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Sabbath 14<sup>th</sup> March– 18:12 pm  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March – 18:25 pm

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\* \* \* THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK \* \* \*

**God’s Faith in Us**

He is dubbed “Scotland’s happiest lollipop.” The retired 74- year-old Nkosana Mdikane who works for his local council in Dumbarton is well known for “high- fiving” children when they cross the road. Mr Mdikane, a former delivery driver and chauffeur also dances and sings and it is reported that some local drivers detoured just to witness his street performance. Recently, West Dunbartonshire Council banned him from “high-fiving” school children as they use his crossing. Mr Mdikane response to this outrageous action from the council due to health and safety was understandable, he said to the Daily Telegraph that the job took away the “frustration and loneliness” of being retired. He continued, “I never saw any problem in it. I’m just doing my job, but this is very emotional and affecting me.” West Dunbartonshire Council, on the other hand, addresses health and safety issues: “All patrollers are instructed when crossing children over a road to remain static with one hand on the stick and the other hand outstretched outwards. This ensures that they can be seen and effectively provides a barrier between school pupils and traffic.” I was impressed by David Dufton’s response to Mr Mdikane’s predicament. Mr Dufton, a father, started a Facebook campaign, “Save the high-fives,” in order to try to reverse the council’s order. The campaign had 13,000 likes and a change.org petition has more than 8,000 signatures. But what is more remarkable is Mr Dufton’s comment to BBC Scotland: “Because all our children want to go and see [Mr Mdikane] they all cross at the pedestrian crossing, rather than anywhere else on the road, so he is keeping our children safe. . . . It’s a bit unjust. I have never heard of anyone complain about him. Nkosana always puts a smile on people’s faces.”

What I find impressive about this story is Mr Dufton’s response, his comment and how he rallied others to support Mr Mdikane because of his confidence in him. The council didn’t trust him but he did. There is a lesson here for all of us. How often do we castigate individuals when they’re not up to our standards? It is easier to condemn than commend individuals and reassure them that we have confidence in them. I believe the latter approach is transformative. Let me share the good news with you! Why did God, knowing the risks and dangers create mankind? “What is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you visit him? For you have made him a little lower than the angels, and you have crowned him with glory and honour. ” (Psalm 8:4-6). Why does God have faith in us? I suppose the angels would have asked similar questions. Ironically, God created humanity because God has faith in humanity. Far more than we have faith in God, God has faith in us. We may fail many times but God calmly reassures us: “Even to your old age and grey hairs, I am He, I am He who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.” (Isa 46:4) He will never give up on humanity. So let us not give up on our own. God’s faith in us in spite of our flaws and foibles can be transformative in our relationships with others. The transformation takes place when we see those who are not up to the job through His eyes.

May the Good Lord be with you throughout this week. To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Saviour be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.

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\* \* \* 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.

\* **"Agape Feast"** every Sabbath! We will have a variety of bread, spreads, fruit, nuts and salads, etc. Please plan to join us and all contributions are greatly appreciated!

\* **ADRA Annual Appeal** 28 March to 12 April in Dundee. Please see Bankole for collecting tins and territory. Children's collecting books and Gift Aid donation envelopes are also available.

\* **Betsy Christie Funeral:** It is with sadness that we announce that Betsy Christie passed away on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of March. The funeral will be at 1:00 pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at the church with committal at Balgay cemetery at 2:00 pm. Refreshments at the church at 2:30pm. We extend sincere condolences to her family and friends.

\* **Bibles special promotion:** ABC are having a special promotion of Bibles for Children, Youth, families and large print etc. Prices range from £7 to £20 ppp. See Romana for details.

\* **Health Club** Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.30 am - 12.30 noon in the church with Claudette Comerasmy (Glasgow). All are welcome including to friends and family from outside the church. This Club will meet one Sunday on a monthly basis.

\* **Care Group:-** Anyone wanting to be part of a Care Group visiting the sick or singing in care homes, please see Rhoda.

\* **Mr W. Simpson** is now in Blairgowrie hospital, phone no. 012508 74466 (GP no. 1).

\* **Toddler Group** – on **Tuesdays in the church hall** from 10:00 – 12:00 noon. Please see Jane if you would like to come along and lend a hand.

\* **Adult Bible Study** –on **Thursdays** from 18:00 – 19:00 - please arrive on time.

\* **Church Library** There's a good selection on the bookshelves in the Fellowship hall. Just write your name on the borrowing sheet and return the books promptly so others can enjoy them.

\* **Online Bulletins** at: [www.adventistdundee.com](http://www.adventistdundee.com). Email announcements and items for the Bulletin to: John Walton on or before Wednesday (Email: [jcw@st-and.ac.uk](mailto:jcw@st-and.ac.uk)).

**Forthcoming Preachers:**

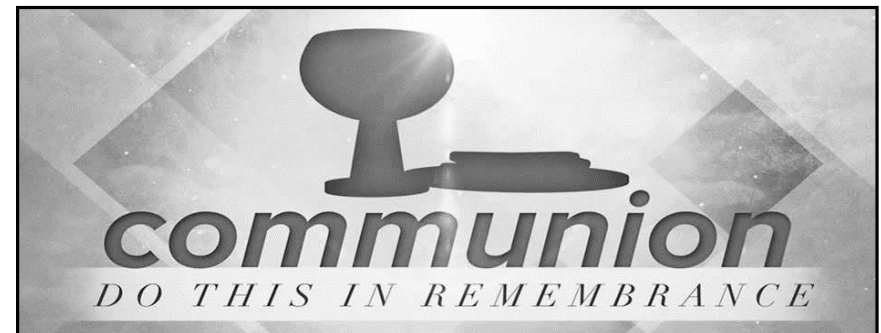
14<sup>th</sup> Mar – Pr. Marcel Ghioalda  
21<sup>st</sup> Mar – Dr Bankole Davies-Browne  
28<sup>th</sup> Mar. – Pr. Marcel Ghioalda  
4<sup>th</sup> Apr. – To be arranged  
11<sup>th</sup> Apr. – Elder Goodmore Kanyongo  
18<sup>th</sup> Apr – Elder Tarzan Bhebhe  
25<sup>th</sup> Apr – Pr. Marcel Ghioalda

**Forthcoming Events:**

14<sup>th</sup> Mar – Communion Service  
21<sup>st</sup> Mar – pm **Messy church** 15:45  
22<sup>nd</sup> Mar – Health Club  
28<sup>th</sup> Mar – 12<sup>th</sup> Apr – ADRA Appeal  
28<sup>th</sup> Mar – SM YDoF in Crieff.  
25<sup>th</sup> Apr - Baptism



## BULLETIN FOR 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2015



*We extend a warm welcome to you and hope you  
enjoy worshiping with us today*

**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**