

**THE METHODIST CHURCH OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
EASTVIEW METHODIST CHURCH**

Website: <https://www.eastviewmethodist.co.za/>



***"Put your trust in The Light...
that you may become sons and daughters of Light."***

EASTER 2022

DEAR FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF EASTVIEW,

EASTER IS UPON US AND HOPEFULLY THIS YEAR WE WILL ALL EXPERIENCE A MORE NORMAL CELEBRATION IN OUR SERVICES OF WORSHIP. OUR ATTENDANCE IS BEGINNING TO NORMALISE AS WE ADJUST TO THE REMNANT OF RESTRICTIONS BUT AT THE SAME TIME EXPERIENCING MORE NORMAL CONTACT WITH EACH OTHER. HAVING SAID THIS, OUR NUMBERS AT BOTH EASTVIEW AND THE GLEN METHODIST CHURCH ARE STILL ON THE LOW SIDE. FOR THIS REASON SMANGA AND I ARE COMBINING THE ESSENTIAL PART OF THE EASTER JOURNEY.

HOLY WEEK BEGINS ON HOLY MONDAY, 11TH APRIL THROUGH TO EASTER SUNDAY, 17TH APRIL. THERE WILL BE A DEVOTIONAL HOUR AT THE GLEN CHURCH AT 18H00 ON MONDAY, TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, CONDUCTED BY SOME OF OUR LOCAL PREACHERS.

THE THREE MAIN SERVICES ON THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SUNDAY ARE AS FOLLOWS (PLEASE NOTE THE VENUES):



MAUNDY THURSDAY NIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE, 14TH APRIL AT 18h00

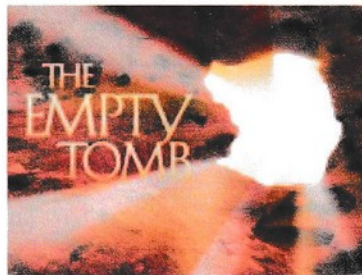
THIS COMMEMORATES THE LAST SUPPER THAT JESUS SHARED WITH HIS DISCIPLES
IT WILL BE CONDUCTED BY REVS SMANGA BOSMAN & PAUL BESTER
VENUE: GLEN METHODIST CHURCH, KEESHOND STREET, GARSFONTEIN

Minister : Rev Paul Bester : 012-348-8661 : paullangbester@gmail.com



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OF THE CROSS, 15th APRIL AT 09h00

THE THEME IS: 6 WORDS THAT WERE SPOKEN TO THE CROSS
IT WILL BE CONDUCTED BY REVS SMANGA BOSMAN & PAUL BESTER
VENUE: GLEN METHODIST CHURCH, KEESHOND STREET, GARSFONTEIN



EASTER MORNING SUNRISE COMMUNION SERVICE AT 06h00

THIS SERVICE COMMEMORATES THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS
IT WILL BE CONDUCTED BY REVS SMANGA BOSMAN & PAUL BESTER
VENUE: THE EASTVIEW OPEN AIR CHAPEL
TEA & HOT CROSS BUNS WILL BE SERVED AFTER SERVICE

THIS SUNDAY WE COMMEMORATE THE ENTRY OF JESUS INTO JERUSALEM. THERE HE BEGINS THE LAST WEEK OF HIS JOURNEY TO THE CROSS. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND OUR PALM SUNDAY SERVICE AT EASTVIEW AT 09H00, I OFFER THIS PRAYER FOR YOUR DEVOTIONS:

***Heavenly Father forgive us for the times when, like lost sheep, we have
Strayed from your path, confident that we knew the way. Pardon
Us that in pride and willfulness we have wanted preferential
Treatment at the expense of others.***

***Set before us the Example of Jesus....
When we try to get our own way by harsh words, by anger, or by
Bullying, teach us the meekness which patiently endures, whose
Anger is controlled and exercised on behalf of the oppressed.
When we are tempted to do nothing in the face of clear human
Need, because action will be costly or difficult.***

Minister : Rev Paul Bester : 012-348-8661 : paullangbester@gmail.com

***We confess that we are tempted to leave your path because we are
Afraid of the cost of the journey. At these times, Lord, you
Gather us in; you show us the way; you equip us with the means
To reach our goal; and you invite our
obedient response to your offer.***

***Give us the faith to make the journey; and, if the Cross seems to
lie ahead, help us to see further than its apparent failure to the
Victory that Christ won there and to the eternal life that lies beyond.
We ask it in our Saviour's Name. Amen.***

PLEASE WOULD YOU ALSO REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES, ESPECIALLY OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS. OUR MOST RECENT LOSS HAS BEEN THE PASSING OF OUR SECRETARY AND BELOVED SISTER, GILL ERASMUS.

ALL THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE EXPERIENCED LOSS HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR DEEP GRATITUDE FOR THE MINISTRY OF OUR INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP THAT HAS SUSTAINED THEM THROUGH LOVING CONTACT AND SUPPORT. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT YOUR SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS ARE PASSED ON TO THESE PRAYER WARRIORS. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT MINISTRY IN OUR CONGREGATION.

COMMUNICATION

IF YOU HAVE RECENTLY CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER, PLEASE LET US KNOW. ALTERNATIVELY GIVE THE CHANGES TO THE STEWARD ON DUTY AT A WORSHIP SERVICE.

PLEASE NOTE THE EMAIL ADDRESS BELOW. THIS IS A TEMPORARY ADDRESS. AS YOU MAY KNOW OUR CHURCH COMPUTER AND CHURCH CELLPHONE WERE STOLEN AND WILL BE REPLACED ONE DAY WHEN WE CAN AFFORD TO DO SO.

MY THANKS TO DEREK STAFFORD WHO WILL BE UPGRADING OUR WEBSITE. WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO POST NOTICES AND ARTICLES ON THAT SITE IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE. IN THE MEANWHILE PLEASE KNOW THAT SUNDAY SERVICES HAVE BEEN RESUMED AT EASTVIEW EVERY SUNDAY AT 09H00.

IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING WE PRAY JOURNEYING PROTECTION ON YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES.

GRACE AND PEACE TO YOU ALL!

PAUL