



Loerie Park Nuus / News



From the pen of Pastor Eugene Carolus

As a pastoral family, celebrating our tenth year in the ministry, we are honoured to be serving another year in this district, His vineyard. We are looking forward to assisting you and your church reach its spiritual goals. As we grow together, and get to know each other, may we not only draw closer to each other, but more importantly grow together in Christ.



Looking Back...

While the devastation of the fires for the last two years in George and the Southern Cape are still fresh in our memories it is our prayer that a different kind of fire will be burning in our Area in 2019. Last year the Cape Conference launched an initiative that that I believe changed George forever. It was the launch of the "Hope 4 Southern Cape". Our prayer is to continue the positive momentum that was set by our previous administration. The Southern Cape is one of the most colourful and attractive parts of South Africa, and it is known for its natural landscapes. Its population is about 370 000 of which 115 000 is from George. However recent fires have ruined homes and traumatized many families.

In 2017 the Cape Conference President, Pr. LM Mbaza, deployed about 10 of our pastors to the Garden Route area to assist with the trauma which the fires had caused. The volunteer pastors moved from homes to schools giving post traumatic stress relief to affected residents. It was reported that the fires in June resulted in about 1000 residents fleeing from their homes, more than 30 homes destroyed, 1070 homes damaged, seven deaths and countless injuries. The Church growth committee, chaired by the president of the Cape Conference, identified twenty-four potential sites in which we would take this message of Hope to. Seventeen of the twenty-four initial potential sites and churches confirmed their willingness to participate in this venture. As soon as the areas were confirmed, the resident pastors and church members jumped into action, and began the cycle of evangelism. Various training events were set aside as the church equipped themselves for the work at hand. It was said by members that they had never experienced such vibrancy and unity in this area before.

As a follow-up to the work achieved after the fires and part of the pre-campaign work, church members enthusiastically attended training and outreach events. Amongst the many outreach events that were held were health expos, soup kitchens and stop smoking seminars.

In total we had fourteen Pastors gathered from within the Cape Conference who participated in this effort. Most of the speakers stayed at the Hartenbos River Resort Camp Site, while others stayed with resident pastors. President Mbaza visited all the sites and encouraged church members to attend and support the efforts. During the evenings we had the actual reaping campaign and in the afternoons we had children's programs at various sites. As a result we hosted 17 Campaigns across the Southern cape, more than 300 registered visitors, 400 children, 300 VOP children graduates and to top it all off, 31 baptisms. We want to salute all those, especially our local members, who gave their total membership involvement towards this project, and who have made sure that we do our part in hastening the coming of the LORD and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Looking Forward...

We are encouraged by what God has done in the past, and we are reminded of the powerful quote Ellen White writes, "In reviewing our past history, having travelled over every step of advance to our present standing, I can say, Praise God! As I see what God has wrought, I am filled with astonishment, and with confidence in Christ as leader.

"We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history."

My prayer is that we should build on what we have achieved these past few years, not by might, but by His Spirit.

Challengers that lie ahead!

There is no doubt in my mind that we shall face challenges, but we shall overcome. God has proven to be faithful over and over. There has been an influx of false teachings entering into our churches.

My prayer is that we continue to study our Bibles and seek counsel from our leaders where there seems to be confusion. Yes we have a huge area to cover, yes our district is big, but if God is for us who can be against us.

Our District currently comprises of 9 established churches and one company. God has entrusted us with a sacred work and that should be our first duty.

Nehemiah has called us to work, let us finish strong!!!

*Yours in the Master's Service
Pr. Eugene Carolus*

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Hoogtepunte Van 2018 / High lights from 2018

Vrouebediening deur die Jare /AWM through the Years



Baanbrekers / Adventurer Club



PLUIMBAL MANSDUBBEL WENNERS: Baie geluk aan Koenraad Potgieter wat saam met sy maat, Pottie Potgieter (geen familie—maar ook van George en die Eden Pluimbalspan) wat die Mansdubbels kompetisie tydens verlede jaar se toernooi gewen het. Twaalf spanne van reg oor Suid-Afrika (waarvan die Eden span deel was) het deel geneem.

Ons is sommer baie trots op Koenraad!!

WELKOM BY LOERIEPARK !



David & Shirley Oliver het nadat hulle 2 jaar gelede afgetree het die Kaap en 'n besige lewe verruil vir die mooi en rustigheid van die Outeniquaberge. Hulle was lidmate van die Heideveld SDA kerk. Voordat hulle Adventiste geword het, was hulle Nuwe Apostolies en daarna Baptiste. Iemand gee eendag vir David 'n boekie op die Parade—en daar lees (en verstaan) hy vir die eerste keer dat Saterdag die Sabbat is asook die werklike toestand van die dood. David het begin om ernstige Bybelstudie te doen. Toe die son die Vrydagaand sak het hy sy werk gelos en begin om die Sabbat te onderhou. So het hulle vir 2 maande Sabbat op hul eie gehou en nog steeds hul Sondag kerk bygewoon.

David was op soek na 'n kerk wat die Bybelwaarhede verkondig, maar waar daar ook orde is en hul preke moet "Christus-preke" wees. In Februarie 1991 besoek hy die eerste keer 'n SDA kerk en kom hopeloos te vroeg daar aan. Gelukkig kry hy 'n groep wat 'morning manna' hou. Iemand stel voor dat hy weer 11 uur terug moet kom, wat hy ook doen. Groot was sy verbasing oor die vriendelike ontvangs en dat hy sommer vir middagete genooi word!

Hierdie uitreik na besoekers het 'n groot indruk op die Olivers gemaak. Elke week het 'n ander gesin hulle genooi. Hulle het nie net die mense leer ken nie, maar soos hulle gesellig om die tafel gesit het, kon hulle baie Bybelvrae bespreek en Sabbatmiddae saam met gelowiges deurgebring.

Shirley is 'n opgeleide verpleegster wat ook 'n Dosent aan Nico Malan Verpleegskool en Grootte Schuur Hospitaal was waar sy Trauma, Noodgevalle en Intensiewe Sorg doseer het.

Alhoewel David meer van kosmaak hou as sy, was dit vir haar lekker om spesiaal vir die mense wat in die kerk se Sopkombuis werk (en vir byna 300 mense sop maak) 'n lekker bord kos voor te berei. Later het hulle begin om 2 maal per maand op 'n Vrydagaand 'n gesonde maaltyd vir die arm gemeenskap se kinders te maak waar hulle by die kerk bymekaar kom om Sabbat te open. So kon hulle klein magies (tussen 30—50!) met meer as net voedsel voed.

David was in St 9 toe sy Ouma vir hom 'n ou viool gee. David het dit herstel en begin oefen. Later het hy by UCT klas geloop en tot by Graad 6 gevorder. (*Hy is op soek na iemand in George om hom nog verder op te lei*). Vandag geniet David dit om die Here te loof en te prys deur middel van sy musiek-talent.

David was ook 14 jaar Kapelaan aan die Cape Technicon University of Technology waar hy omgesien het na die Adventiste studente (SDASM). So het hy en Shirley "pa en ma" vir baie studente geword. Hulle het die studente gereeld op uitstappies geneem en vir etes genooi om die verlange na "ma se kos" te stil.

David het vir die Stad Kaapstad Metropolitaanse Munisipaliteit as Gesondheidsinspekteur en later vir Lugbesoedeling gewerk. Hy was baie betrokke by verskillende komitees. Hy wil graag meer betrokke raak by Bybelstudies in die gemeenskap. Hy en Shirley is al meer as 38 jaar getroud.

David en Shirley—
Welkom by julle nuwe familie!



IN THE FOYER

- ◆ **Abundant Life Sponsorship Form**
- ◆ **Litho Hall** gave his testimony during Sabbath School on the last Sabbath of 2018. This young man desperately need funds to carry on with his work at Abundant Life (Dundee). Fill in the form and take it to your bank for the necessary payment.

- ◆ Be an early bird and book now for Camp Meeting. (18-22 April). Guest speakers include Ps Walter Veith, Brian Sterley, Thinus de Nyssen, Arnold Neuhoff, Dr Roy Spammer, Neville Neeffling, Richard & Jenny Lovemore. The theme is "Only the Bible / Net die Bybel."
- ◆ Other projects: our parking lot—paving
- ◆ Plastic bottle tops for a wheel chair.

LEADERS / LEIERS LOERIEPARK 2018



Anton de Jager
Hoof Ouderling



Miek de Jager
Ouderling



Koenraad Potgieter
Ouderling



Dennis Conning
Elder



Eric Keyser
Elder



Linzi Lennox
Church Clerk



Mathilda Botes
Tesourier



Louis Bence
Hoof Diaken



Gerda Bence
Hoof Diakones



Cindy Prinsloo
Evangelism



Tilana Williams
Musiek



Marlene Fourie
Sabbath School Sup



Dalene Maritz
Welsyn



Urma Williams
Kommunikasie



Buks Prinsloo
Adventurer Club



Miek & Marthie de Jager
Familie Bediening



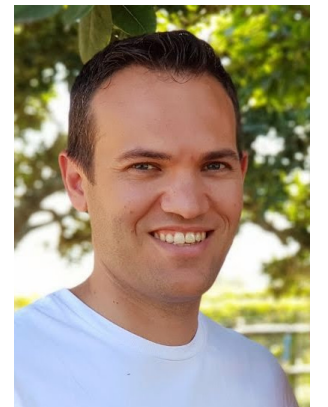
Alice Conning
Vrouebediening



Jothilda du Toit
Gesondheid



Beatrice Breedt
Tronkbediening



André Steenkamp
Visual



Collette de Jager
Sosiaal



Zune Coetzee
SS Kinderleier



Helder Cidrais
Youth



Lillian Stoffels
Biblioteek



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Geboue