

Pardon and peace

Through Christ's sacrifice, our past is pardoned and our future secure. And, "Since we have been made right with God by our faith, we have peace with God" Romans 5:1.
Peace with God. What a happy consequence of faith! Not just peace between countries, peace between neighbours, or peace at home; salvation brings peace with God.

Once a monk and his apprentice travelled from the abbey to a nearby village. The two parted at the city gates, agreeing to meet the next morning after completing their tasks. According to the plan, they met and began the long walk back to the abbey. The monk noticed that the younger man was unusually quiet. He asked him if anything was wrong. "What business is it of yours?" came the terse response.

Now the monk was sure that his brother was troubled, but he said nothing. The distance between the two began to increase. The apprentice walked slowly, as if to separate himself from his teacher. When the abbey came in sight, the monk stopped at the gate and waited for the student. "Tell me, my son. What troubles your soul?"

The boy started to react again, but when he saw the warmth in his master's eyes, his heart began to melt. "I have sinned greatly," he sobbed. "Last night I slept with a woman and abandoned my vows. I am not worthy to enter the abbey at your side."

The teacher put his arm around the student and said, "We will enter the abbey together. And we will enter the cathedral together. And together we will confess your sin. No one but God will know which of the two of us fell."

Doesn't that describe what God has done for us? When we kept our sin silent, we withdrew from him. We saw him as an enemy. We took steps to avoid his presence. But our confession of fault alters our perception. God is no longer a foe, but a friend. We are at peace with him. He did more than the monk did, much more. More than share in our sin, Jesus was "crushed for the evil we did. The punishment which made us well was given to him" (Isaiah 53:5)."He accepted the shame" (Hebrews 12:2) He leads us into the presence of God.

-Max Lucado. *The Gift for all people.*

ARE YOU A VISITOR OR WITH US FOR THE FIRST TIME OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THE MINISTER OR A LEADER? PERHAPS YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

(kindly complete this form, tear it off and place it in the collection plate)

Name & Surname.....

Residential address/ Prayer Requests
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Tel:

Kindly mark where applicable:

- I am new and would like more info
- I would like to see the Minister or a Leader
- I would like to join
- Your prayers would be welcomed



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A Church for the whole community

18th August 2019



CONGREGATIONAL-METHODIST-PRESBYTERIAN

Our goal:

"To please Him (Jesus) in every way" Colossians 1:10.

Serving you this week

Serving you 25th August

Looking ahead

Duty	08h00	09h30
Preacher:	Rev. John Gordon	
Service Steward:	Alan R	Neale Q
Door duty:	Pam R Nista M	Fred VR Priscilla VR Carol W Peter P
Tea:	Carol O C , Sue K	

Duty	08h00	09h30
Preacher:	Rev. John Gordon	
Service Steward:	Trevor F	Hans D
Door duty:	Sandy K Colin McN	Daphne P Murray P
Tea:	Jean M	

Event	Date	Time	Venue
Ladies Fellowship	20 th August	09h30,	RRU Church
Threshold Craft Market	31 st August	09h00 – 15h00,	RRU Church
Spring Ball R200 per ticket	13 th September		RRU Church

General

BIBLE QUIZ! From September 1st Rev. John will be starting a Bible Quiz. Questionnaires will be handed out weekly and scores will be tallied. After 6 months, the person with the highest score will receive a prize of R500. The upcoming Bible Quiz will go into recess from Nov 24th and continue in Feb 2020, to be fair to those going away on holiday.

WALK TO EMMAUS (MEN'S WALK): Will be on 29th August 2019 – 1st September 2019. If you're a member of RRUC and have been a Pilgrim in the past, please consider sponsoring a new Pilgrim for this weekend of growth in love, grace and servant-hood in the Body of Christ. Forms are in the foyer and up on the website (www.rruchurch.co.za). Contact Hans Drok (073 775 3951) for more information.

CRAFT MARKET BOOKINGS ARE CLOSED.

The **THRESHOLD FARM** would like some SUCCULENT PLANTS for the garden. Any donations can be brought to the office. Thank you.

A PRAM has been donated to the church and is at the office. If you or anyone you know desperately needs one, please let us know.

VEGETABLE SALES: Fresh Veggies are on sale on Sunday's after the services. If you can help to sell veggies please let the office know

MENTOR DADDIES NEEDED URGENTLY: We are desperately seeking men to mentor young fatherless boys in the direct community. This would mean a weekly meeting of 1 – 1.5 hours to play a mentor/ fathering role in their lives. Training will be provided for such mentors with The Character Company (<https://www.thecharactercompany.co.za/>) before such mentoring will take place. We believe that such mentors will play a vital part in the life of the boys as well as the church. For more information speak to John, information pamphlets are in the foyer.

Please note Derek Weston is away from August 18th – 25th.

Scripture Readings: Psalm 80:1-3, Isaiah 5:1-7, Hebrews 11:29-40.

RRUC Cash Flow

15th August 2019, Bank Balance: R 95 091.84, Total expenses: R146 075.22,
Shortfall: R 50 983.38



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For Generosity Giving

Bank: ABSA
Account number: 01005881508
Branch number: 515005

Happy Birthday!

If it's your birthday this week, please take a card in the foyer ☺

Date	Name	Number
19 th August	Keegan Roberts	16 years old!
21 st August	Ann Clay	0835500773
	Tersia Kitshoff	0834425225
	Linda Malan	0828531626
	Stallard Mpata	9 years old!
23 rd August	Liam Crous	16 years old!

