

# The Weekly News



## Dear Church Family, BE WHO WE WERE BORN TO BE

Using the two-character film *Sleuth* as opening lens, this message explores Psalm 23 and John 10 as narratives of transformation, identity, and purpose. Echoing Len Sweet's *So Beautiful*, it suggests that God's concern is not primarily a detailed plan for our lives but a divine design that shapes us into who we were born to be. Listeners are gently challenged through Father David Gielach's image in *The Christian Adventure* that Christianity is not about "muddling through life while waiting for a condominium in the clouds," but about participating in God's mission within and for the world. Salvation is therefore more than rescue from sin or suffering; it is an invitation into a new way of being, formed by Christ and empowered by Holy Spirit. Like Amnesty International's *Peace Candle*, burning amid barbed wire, Christ's light shines in and through us with healing, justice, and hope. Faith is deeply personal but never private; God's goodness and mercy overflow through us into others' lives.

Derek





# This Week

**FRI | 26 JUNE**

**Men on a Mission | 07:00 - 08:30 | Church Foyer (Every Friday)**

A safe place for men to meet to grow in their faith; to share confidentially; and to care and support one another. The primary goal is to initiate and/or support mission projects within our own church community, as well as the Bitou areas.

**No Youth Today**

**Bella Munga Camp | Today - Sunday**

The day has finally arrived for the Church camp at Bella Munga.

**SUN | 28 JUNE**

**Traditional Communion Service | 08:00**

**Family Service | 09:30**

**No Ignite Children's Church**

**TUE | 30 JUNE**

**Parents Fellowship | 18:00 | Foyer**

**WED | 1 JULY**

**Bible Study - Led By Claudia | 10:00 for 10:30 | Foyer (Theme: Biblical Hope)**

Journey with us as we dive deeper into the good news of the gospel.

**Prayer Group | 12 :00 - 13:00 | Sanctuary**

STMC is open during these times as a peaceful place to pray whether quietly on your own or alongside others. We spend time praying for our church, our community, and God's work among us.

Contact Len Vlok: +27 72 373 0698

### **Young Adults | 18:30 | Youth Chapel**

Join us on Wednesday evenings for our Young Adults Fellowship, led by Pastor Troy Rist. Open to ages 18–35, this is a space to build genuine friendships, grow in faith, and encounter God through His Word in a welcoming and uplifting atmosphere.

**THUR | 2 JULY**

### **The Well | 10:00 - 12:00**

Treat a friend to something special! See our Sales Table. We are selling some of our Challenge Drive goodies. Stay for coffee/tea and something yummy to eat. The Well is open every Thursday from 10–12pm  
Contact Gloria: +27 72 3121 024

### **Women's Auxiliary Meeting | 14:00 | Foyer**

GOD WANTS THE  
*best for us.*  
even when we don't see it

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.  
I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made..."

Psalm 139:13-14



# LOOKING AHEAD

**MON – FRI | 13 – 17 JULY**

## **Holiday Club | 07:30 - 12:00**

The time is near for a great experience at the Holiday Club, please do not forget to contact Lynn for any other information: (R550 for the week or R150 per day) admin@plettmethodist.co.za or 044 533 3430

## **Talent Drive**

This is a friendly reminder that there is about 6 weeks left for the talent drive, so please be sure to do all you can for it in these last weeks, thank you.

## **Womens' Auxiliary**

Please select the link below for the newest information.

<https://plettmethodist.co.za/about-us/our-organisations/womens-auxiliary/>

## **Duty Roster**

Please select the link below for the newest information.

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"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Ephesians 2:10



# TALENT DRIVES STILL ONGOING

## **Beautiful Bird Watching | STMC**

Join us at our Forest Bird Hide. We are serving coffee / tea and muffins in three one hour sessions every Wednesday. Mornings from 13th May till mid July. Times are 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00. All proceeds go toward our STMC community outreach projects. Four seats per session. R30 pp Kindly confirm bookings with Estelle at 083 4680818



## **Bobotie at The Well | STMC**

We are pleased to announce that Bobotie is available for sale at The Well coffee shop every Thursday, @ R110.00 for two servings. Alternatively, you can place an order directly with Brenda Scott @ 082 894 7282 as part of our talent drive.



## **Guess the Cakes Weight | STMC**

Give a donation and guess the weight of the cake for a chance to win it, on Sunday mornings at the Foyer. Eddie Connell will have a table and is waiting for you!



## **Religious Bookmarks & Small Potted Bonsai Looking Plants**

These two items are being sold for R10 & R30 for the Talent Drive please contact Karen Macaskill for more information: [karen@insidemanc.co.za](mailto:karen@insidemanc.co.za)

## **Handmade Scripture Encouragement Cards**

Beautiful, laminated Scripture encouragement cards. Available in themed sets such as The Armour of God, with separate, age appropriate versions for adults, youth, and children. Designed as daily reminders of God's Word.

Price – R10 per card.

Contact: Cilla | 072 281 7159

## **Cakes/Treats After Sunday Services**

A different member of the church will be selling cakes and treats each week by the coffee machine after the Sunday Services.

## **The Perfect Lemons**

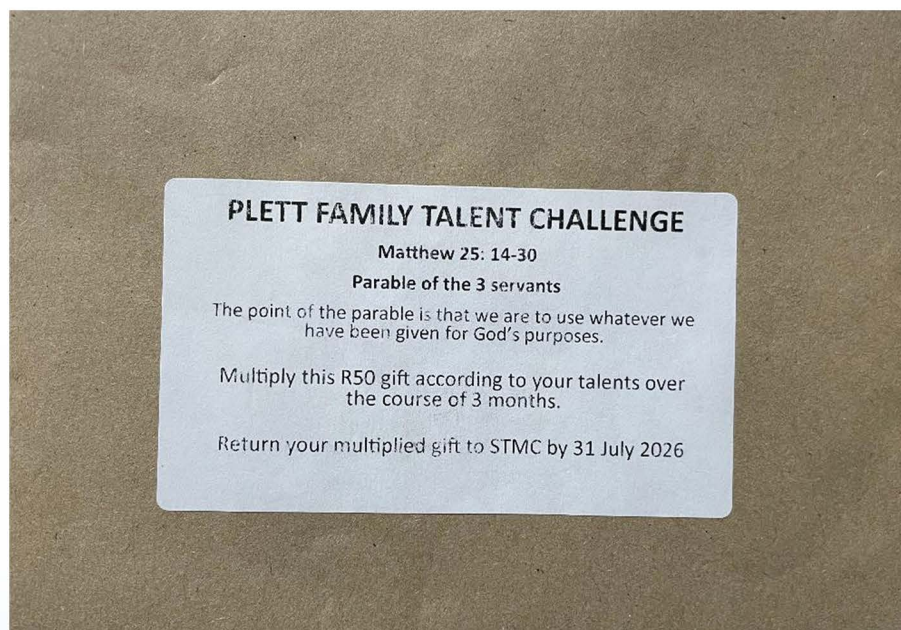
For all your lemon needs, there will be lemons being sold on Sundays and if require more of any other information:

Contact: Doreen Butterworth | 083 282 1167



## **R50 TALENT DRIVE ENVELOPE**

Hi everyone, there are some envelopes left if anyone still needs it for the Talent Drive.



Please get in touch with Mandy Mortimer and Cheryl De Bruyn, in order to book your stands. For planning purposes.

Thank you.

A festive Christmas market poster. The central text reads "FAMILY Festive CHRISTMAS MARKET". The poster is decorated with snowflakes, holly, and a sleigh with reindeer. Two circular callouts say "EVERYONE WELCOME!" and "SHOP LOCAL SUPPORT COMMUNITY SHARE THE JOY". At the bottom, icons represent "UNIQUE GIFTS &amp; HANDMADE CRAFTS", "FESTIVE TREATS &amp; REFRESHMENTS", "LIVE MUSIC &amp; CAROLS", and "KIDS' ACTIVITIES &amp; GAMES". The event details are "15 DEC 2026 | 9am - 3pm | ST. THOMAS METHODIST | 1 MULLER ST, PLETT". A banner at the bottom says "FAITH ❤️ COMMUNITY ❤️ HOPE ❤️ LOVE".

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**Sunday to Sunday 28 June - 05 July**

**John Wesley  
Daudie Reichhardt  
Claire Ashton  
Jules Pechey  
Irma Hodgskin  
Maureen Butler  
Lorraine Tripp**

**Stephen Malgas  
Linda Ausker  
Brian Cook  
June Milburn – Pyle  
Rene Breytenbach  
John Wessels  
Marlene McDonald**

## **FAMILIES FOR PRAYER**

**Rachelle Smit  
Austin Smith  
Cherry & Andrew Smith  
Dorane & Errol Smith  
Mandy & Clive Smith  
Joan & Tom Smith**

**When you have a moment, please add a space in your prayers tonight for these people, Thank you.**

# SMALL GROUPS

Small groups provide a space for all members to share their experiences, encourage one another in faith, and deepen their understanding of the scriptures. Chat to Rev. Tim if you would like to join a group or have a question 082 463 9692

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## NOTICES AND INFO

God's Book by Andrew Ollerton, is available at Wordsworth Books in the Checkers Center.

Daughters of Eden Cloth Pads available for sale contact Wendy Pretorius: 083261 7899

Appeal for disposable sanitary pads contact Sandy Webb: 073 565 5931

What God wants for us is  
always what's best for us –  
we just need to trust Him.

Lindsey Rietzsch



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