

## MAY 2018

**Thursday 3**  
9.30am Day Life

**Friday 4**  
**No children's clubs due to Church Camp**

**Sunday 6**  
8.00am 10.00am 6.00pm  
Deuteronomy 5v1-21  
Murray Anderson

(Missions prayer meeting between the morning services – will be meeting upstairs on the balcony at 9.15am)

**Monday 7**  
5.50pm Prayer meeting at church

**Tuesday 8**  
8.30am Hiking: Burgers Walk, Simonstown. Meet at Vallyland, bring a jacket, strong shoes, water & something for tea. Please contact Carole 0812356809 with any questions.

Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 5v1-21

10.00am Stay & Play

**Wednesday 9**  
Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 5v1-21

**Thursday 10**  
9.30am Day Life  
  
7.00pm Ascension Day Service

**Friday 11**  
**CoolClub 5.45pm – 7.15pm**  
Grade 1-4  
**7UP 5.45pm – 7.15pm**  
Grade 5-7  
**Hood 7.30pm – 9.00pm**  
Grade 8

**Saturday 12**  
8.30am Valley Inter-Church Prayer Meeting. Venue St Peters Church

**Sunday 13**  
8.00am 10.00am 6.00pm  
Deuteronomy 6v1-25  
Murray Anderson

**Monday 14**  
5.50pm Prayer meeting at church

**Tuesday 15**  
Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 6v1-25

10.00am Stay & Play

**Wednesday 16**  
Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 6v1-25

**Thursday 17**  
9.30am Day Life

**Friday 18**  
**CoolClub 5.45pm – 7.15pm**  
Grade 1-4  
**7UP 5.45pm – 7.15pm**  
Grade 5-7  
**Hood 7.30pm – 9.00pm**  
Grade 8-12

**Saturday 19**  
Revive Sunday School Leaders training day at St James Church

10.00am Craft Group meets in the Childrens Centre

**Sunday 20**  
8.00am 10.00am 6.00pm  
Deuteronomy 7v1-26  
Murray Anderson

**Monday 21**  
5.50pm Prayer meeting at church

**Tuesday 21**  
8.30am Hiking: Maytenus Rocks. Meet at Vallyland, bring a jacket, strong shoes, water & something for

tea. Please contact Carole 0812356809 with any questions.

Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 7v1-26

10.00am Stay & Play

**Wednesday 23**  
Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 7v1-26

**Thursday 24**  
9.30am Day Life

**Friday 25**  
9am – 3pm Biblical Counselling Seminar

**CoolClub 5.45pm – 7.15pm**  
Grade 1-4  
**7UP 5.45pm – 7.15pm**  
Grade 5-7  
**Hood 7.30pm – 9.00pm**  
Grade 8-12

**Sunday 27**  
8.00am 10.00am 6.00pm  
Deuteronomy 12v1-28  
Carel Pienaar

**Monday 28**  
5.50pm Prayer meeting at church

**Tuesday 29**  
Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 12v1-28

10.00am Stay & Play

**Wednesday 30**  
Fellowship Groups  
Deuteronomy 12v1-28

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## Personal Evangelism – The what, why & how!

### 1: What is personal evangelism?

In a nutshell evangelism is telling others about the King of God's kingdom, Jesus – we can do this in many different ways! The word 'evangel' comes from the Greek word *Ευαγγελιον* and refers to the 'bringer of good news.' Personal evangelism seeks to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to others so that they can respond to his claims.

**2: Why should we do personal evangelism?** For at least three biblical reasons...

**2.1: It's the most loving thing to do** – in the gospel of Mark, 12:31, when asked what the most important commandment is, Jesus responds: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength"... "The second is this, love your neighbour as yourself"

**2.2: It is a command** - In the gospel of Matthew, Jesus' commission to his disciples was "Go & make disciples of all nations" Yet, the reason why is sometimes overlooked...Jesus says, "All authority in heaven & earth has been given to me...Therefore...Go & make disciples of all nations..." (Matt 28:19, NIV). Jesus is proclaiming his Lordship, He is the King, and the Judge with all authority in heaven & earth. People need to hear and understand this in order to respond to him in repentance and faith!

**2.3: Gospel partnership pleases our master** - When we evangelize we meet Jesus' expectations. Like the parable of the Ten Minas in Luke's gospel, followers of Jesus are called to put their masters investments to work so that it increases – this is a warning to not be complacent with the gospel message but to put to work that which belongs to our master.

### 3: How should we personally evangelize?

In the past most people had some general understanding of the Christian faith, or at least knew something about Jesus. However, today the average person is culturally tolerant & permissive – anything goes, "your truth is your truth, my truth is my truth". People's view of Christianity has moved from having obstacles or objections to a view that dismisses Christianity as irrelevant.

This means we need to take time & effort to build relationships with people so that we can understand their worldview & they can understand our faith.

*"The average person takes 2 years from the point of meaningful contact to placing their faith in Christ" (Honest evangelism: how to talk about Jesus even when it's tough, 2015 Rico Tice).*

Personal evangelism is to visibly and actively witness to a person about Jesus so that they will repent & believe the good news. **so that they are saved from the judgement of God!**

But... isn't sharing this good news daunting? Well...Yes & No... whilst you might feel unable to verbalize the gospel message well enough to your friend or family member...you can simply invite them to a place where they will hear the gospel preached or taught. In this way everyone can be part of evangelism at St Peters.

**What can you do?** Be the messenger of a beautiful, life changing message that takes people from darkness to light. – God does the converting.

Paul says, "My message and my preaching were not with wise, persuasive words but, with a demonstration of the Spirits power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom but on God's power" (1 Corinthians 2:4, NIV).

If you need help in evangelizing, please do not hesitate to contact Jon Morrison at the Church office.

Jon Morrison

## ST PETERS FINANCE UPDATE

	Year to date to 31 Mar 2018	Month of Mar 2018
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>1 133 166</b>	<b>386 638</b>
<b>BUDGET</b>	1 069 617	356 539
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>1 089 542</b>	<b>382 451</b>
<b>BUDGET</b>	1 -91 236	363 745
<b>SURPLUS / (SHORTFALL)</b>	<b>43 624</b>	<b>4 187</b>
<b>BUDGET</b>	-21 619	-7 206
<b>INCLUDED IN EXPENDITURE:</b>		
<b>GIVING TO REACH SA</b>	87 067	29 515
<b>GIVING TO MISSIONS</b>	65 295	21765



## DEUTERONOMY LIVING WITH THE LOVING GOD



15 APRIL - 24 JUNE

"... choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days..." Deuteronomy 30:19-20