

In God We Put Our Trust

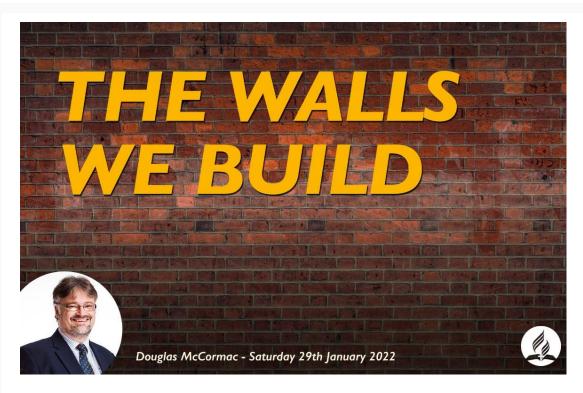
"Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him." Jeremiah 17:7

The baby wasn't due for another six weeks, but the doctor had just diagnosed Whitney with cholestasis, a liver condition common in pregnancy. In a whirlwind of emotions, Whitney was taken to the hospital where she received treatment and was told her baby would be induced in twenty-four hours! In another part of the hospital, ventilators and other equipment needed for the onslaught of COVID-19 cases were being put into place. As a result, Whitney was sent home. She made the decision to trust God and His plans, and she delivered a healthy baby a few days later.

When Scripture takes root in us, it transforms the way we react in trying situations. Jeremiah lived in a time when most of society trusted in human alliances, and the worship of idols was prevalent. The prophet contrasts the person who "draws strength from mere flesh and whose heart turns away from the Lord" (Jeremiah 17:5) with the one who trusts in God. "Blessed is the one . . . whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that . . . does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green" (vv. 7–8).

As believers in Jesus, we're called to live by faith as we look to Him for solutions. As He provides the strength, we can choose to fear or to trust Him. God says we're blessed—fully satisfied—when we choose to place our trust in Him.

By: Regie Keller - Taken from odb.org



Watch the Family Service online with Douglas McCormac



Watch the Parallel Service online with Dee Edwards

Announcements / News

- Matters Arising from Church Board held on Jan 20.
 - The pastoral team have chosen the theme for this new year: 'Mission Post Covid'!

 Our preaching and teaching will focus on the new challenges brought on by the pandemic, how to encourage fellowship and reaching into our communities.
- We would like to thank all our members for their faithfulness in offerings and tithing.
 Despite hardships, we have seen a continuous increase! To God be the glory!
- The Sabbath School format changed somewhat during the pandemic. We are thankful for the commitment of all the teachers and leaders. Currently, we are discussing how to move forward. We will keep you posted.
- We say a BIG thank you to Carol and Lucas who have shared their powerful gifts through
 these two years as volunteers here at SPC. We wish them
 God's blessings and love as they move to new 'pastures' and experiences.
- VOTED: To approve the fire drill plans.
- VOTED: To proceed with the exploratory quote for the signage at the front of the church St Albans Road.
- VOTED: For work to progress with the tree surgeons, roof and flat repairs, subject to the
 Treasurer speaking to the SEC about the funds.
- Enrollment now open for 2022 If your child would like to join Adventurer club (4 to 9 yrs old) or Pathfinders (10- 15 yrs old) please email pathfinders@stanboroughchurch.org

Parallel invites you to take part in the fellowship lunch on 19th February at 1pm. Food is provided (soup, bread, salad and dessert). We would love to see you all there.

- Parallel is looking for musicians to join the worship team. You don't have to be a pro, so if
 you'd like to give it a go or have a chat with someone from the worship team, please get in
 contact with Manuela, Dan, Chantal or Karen.

 Adventist Risk Management®, Inc. (ARM) currently have a part-time Customer Service Representative position open on our Client Care team. <u>Click here</u> to see more details.

To all of our cherished octogenarians (and above!) We would love to celebrate your birthdays with you. Please let us know when your birthday is by emailing deaconess@stanboroughpark.org or by calling Fay on 07973 660 769

Sabbath School for 16 to 18 yrs old takes place every Saturday in the Cedar room.

 Tuesday, Feb 1. Pastor Geert is organising a Holocaust Memorial service from 1pm in the Peace Garden with special guest Dame Helen (if the weather is bad we will meet in the Cedar Sycamore). Refreshments to follow. We would love for you to join us in remembering!

Young Adults Sabbath School is meeting every Sabbath in the Pine Room with Jackson and Tiwa leading the lesson. It is also possible to connect via Zoom.

Please join us in person or virtually. **Meeting ID:** 519 552 6863 - **Passcode:** Sabbath

• Adult Sabbath School The Oak Room class is now meeting in the Pine Room.

Pine Room class: LINK Meeting ID: 856 1553 2607 || Passcode: 6QqMKL Maple Class: LINK Meeting ID: 757 070 1887 || Passcode: 111000

(Or by phone: +44 203 481 5240)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- Sister Lola Gordon, who is receiving treatment.
- Terry Menkens, for complete healing.
- Donna Wray, for complete healing.
- Ruth Read, for complete healing.
- Alain St Germaine for healing.
- Yetunde Bright's Mom for complete healing.
- All the families who are struggling with the effects of COVID especially Long COVID
- Everyone who is experiencing recent bereavement

- More Leaders and volunteers in the Children's Sabbath School
- The Nominating Committee as they continue to appoint Officers

 If you have private Prayer Requests, please place them in the Prayer Box or you can email Florence Allen at lizallf@hotmail.com.
- Upcoming dates: 5th March Women's Day; 12th March Morning baptism; 9th April –
 Communion; 16th April Easter service;

Family Service - 29th January

ORGAN MUSIC - Yui Hanada
Welcome and announcements - Audrey Balderstone
Call to Worship NAH 66 Verses 1&5 only - When Morning Guilds The Skies
Invocation - Audrey Balderstone
Hymn NAH 83 Ye Servants of God
Tithes and offering prayer - Audrey Balderstone
Presentation

Children's story Douglas McCormack Scripture Reading Eph 3: 14-21- Andrew Henderson Worship in Music - New Year Vocal Ensemble Family prayer - Paula Carillo

Sermon - "The Walls We Build" Douglas McCormac Hymn NAH 449 O Father We Would Thank Thee

Benediction Douglas McCormac Music for meditation Organ Postlude Yui Hanada

Sabbath School from 9:45am

Welcome & Opening Prayer - Erna Herteliu
Opening Hymn: NAH 118 - None other Lamb
Facilitator: Erna Herteliu
Panel: Brian Davison, Ioan Herteliu, TBC

Parallel Service 11am - Cedar Sycamore

Co-ordinator – Karen Vontzalidis & Helen King Brow Speaker: Dee Edwards

Sermon Title: "You might just be where God wants you to be"

Partial Nominating Committee report (Second reading)

Elder: Yetunde Bright
Outreach – Pastors; Team: Felipe Fusste

Prayer Ministry Leaders: Uche Ademuyiwa & Bella Rajesekaren

Women's Ministry: Wumi Idowu

Area 7 reps: Arto Keshishian & Brian Davison

Health Ministry Leader: Adewale Ademuyiwa; Assistant Leader: Caroline Perry

Mental Health First Aid: Elizabeth Burns
AV: Team – Carlton Plaadjes
Kitchen Manager – Davide Labalaestra
Communication Team – Judy Plaadjes; Arto Keshishian (photographer)

If there are any concerns about a name or you would like to meet with the Nominating Committee please contact a member of the Pastoral Team.









Family Service



Cradle Roll Sabbath School - January



Parallel Service

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