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Thoughts to ponder ...

The life of Israel in the Old Testament is a parable of the Church in the New Testament. We can learn principles for our lives as well.

Reading the Exodus account reminds us of the redemption work of God on behalf of those He elected to be His People.

In **Deuteronomy 7:6-11** Moses makes a few telling observations that we should take note of.

A. **God chose us** (Deut. 7:6-8). Our salvation is a gift from God (Eph. 2:8). We do not deserve it!

B. **God is true to His promises** (Deut. 7:8). We must never doubt Him!

C. **Our confidence should be in Him alone** (Deut. 7:9). We need to know Him intimately. He is the God of covenant and steadfast in His love. He is faithful always!

D. **He will call to account** those who constantly ignore His loving care (Deut. 7:10).

E. We should be **careful to obey Him** (Deut. 7:11). Jesus says that our obedience will prove our love for Him (John 14:15).

As I grow older, the realization of the gift of God's salvation overwhelms me. It reminds me that without His grace and mercy, without His electing work, I would have been lost eternally.

Rejoice today with me that our names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life! Let's us worship Him alone, giving glory to Him for this gracious gift of redemption!

CfC is turning 50 in 2025! (1975 – 2025)

Do you have any memories about CfC of the past 50 years? We are looking for those so that we can publish a Golden Jubilee Edition.

Please e-mail all your stories to George at director@cfc.co.za

Feedback on the CfC Financial Situation

Thank you to each one who prayed for us and with us after the financial scare we had.

A **big thank you** to those who responded financially. We are so grateful for caring committed partners who are able to help. We praise God for your obedience!

The crises was averted but the **challenge remains!**

The reality is that the cost of living has increased dramatically and that the rate of financial support has not increased for the last couple of years. At CfC we are trying our best to cut expenses but there is not much we can change. The present ministries are effective, and lives are changing, thus we believe these should continue. The **ONLY** way forward is to **broaden our support base**. This is quite difficult for us as we are not able to travel to expose this ministry.

We need you!

We know that you are fully committed, thus we are not asking for more funds from you. However, if you can **TELL** and **CHALLENGE** a family member or friend or Church to partner with us it will expand the support base. We can send you information if that can help!

Perhaps you can arrange a fund-raiser event on our behalf?

Please join us as we try to keep this ministry going for **50 more years!**



SCBS Class May 2024

South Coast Bible School

It is such a joy to teach God's Word to students that are hungry for the truth!

We were blessed to have 22 students at our training in May - 17 doing the **SCBS Certificate in Ministry**, and 5 doing the **Higher Certificate in Church Ministry** through Mukhanyo Theological College.

We also celebrated the **graduation** of those 5 Higher Certificate Students that completed their **Higher Certificate in Bible Teaching** in October 2023. Graduation took place at the Kwa Mhlanga Campus in Mpumalanga in March. We are proud of their accomplishment and their willingness to continue equipping themselves for ministry.

Bible School is not just about teaching. Cecile and her staff always do a stellar job in **feeding and hosting** the group. We are so grateful for them.

Then of course there is the issue of curriculum development. This a major task and again we are grateful to those who are helping us write and upgrade the SCBS Certificate curriculum. Courses currently written are **Christian Counselling** and **General Epistles**.

Pray for us in this process!



Nella (Left); Daniel (below) and Nella & Luwinile (below left) attending their graduation at MTC.



George (Left) and Jonathan Thomas (above) - (Missionary to Thailand) teaching at SCBS. [Jonathan used to be the SCBS Principle before George arrived.]

Good Friday 2024

Apart from teaching at the South Coast Bible School, **George** has the wonderful opportunity to preach and teach at other churches as well. **Good Friday** was such an occasion when **The Lamb of God Church** from Flagstaff asked him to speak at their service. It was a privilege but an important part of his ministry to call churches back to the undiluted Word of God.

Pray for him that he will be faithful in teaching God's Word.

Pastor **Albert Makaula**, the leader of **The Lamb of God** is also a very special partner at the SCBS, serving as Chaplin and Lecturer. Please continue to pray for him as well, especially as they are busy building a multipurpose centre for training disciples of Jesus.

We are indeed blessed to partner with them in ministry and they often use our facility at Silver Oaks Retreat Centre for training.



George Preaching at Easter Conference

Important Dates

Alumni Retreat: 1-3 August
Marriage Retreat: 15-17 August

Hosted by SCBS

Please PRAY for these events!

Thank you for your partnership through Prayer and Finances!



Cecile writing SCBS curriculum!

Stories that uplift the soul ...

From Sindiswa Garane: *"I can't really explain how I feel. I'm transformed inside & out since I started attending the Bible College in Feb this year. I love to read the Word & feel guilty if I didn't read the Word twice or three times a day. I am looking forward to the next term & can't wait! It's an amazing feeling. I was asking myself this is the way I feel, and it's not even been a year. God is showing me another side of Him through His Word. The thing is I can't keep quiet about the Bible College & I believe that am growing spiritually for myself & for my church as well. It's been a wonderful experience attending S.C.B.C. and I believe God is doing a new thing in my life."*



From Linda Matsotso: *"My testimony for attending the Higher Certificate Training cannot adequately be expressed in words. I realise that my understanding of Scriptures was distorted. My preaching of sermons was not balanced with Scriptures because I thought I was led by the Spirit and ignored the principles of Bible interpretation. My approach to other Christian groups was causing division since I was considering myself as being best able to preach the Gospel and living the Christian life."*

My interpretation of the scripture has completely changed after I have done the Bible interpretation Course. I was unaware of my gnostic tendencies and beliefs until I came to study. I used to bring into Scriptures my own interpretation, but the training through Mukhanyo Theological College has helped me to evaluate my preaching, conduct, and inclination in the light of God's Word. I thank God that I cannot ignore the marks of Cristian growth as laid out in the Scriptures anymore."

Glory to God



Ministry Partner – Past. Albert Makaula



The new Lamb of God Building under construction.

PRAYER

P - Praise
R - Remembering
A - Asking
Y - Yielding
E - Expecting
R - Receiving

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SCBS Remaining Schedule 2024

22-26 July
7-11 October

Stories that Inspire change ...

Pastor Makaula: We came into **partnership with CFC** in 2003, after the establishment of our ministry in the same year (03/03/2003).

At that time, we were looking for a Bible School to work with where to send all our Lay ministers to, for developing and equipping. By His grace, we were led to SCBS.

Up to now, SCBS have trained, equipped, and developed 19 of our Lay Ministers, including myself.

In 2010, the Lord led me to join the SCBS to assist with the spiritual nourishing of the students as they come with various spiritual "injuries and scars" from their respective places. I was then given a 5-hour period to lecture and to fulfil this mandate.

Since I started in 2010, it has been a joy working with SCBS in raising young men and women who are equipped and developed spiritually. I personally have gained experience in preparing lives for ministry, and also experienced spiritual growth in my own life. It is so encouraging and motivating to work with SCBS staff.

The SCBS in general, through their training and conferences, has made A HUGE contribution to the BODY OF CHRIST. It is always exciting to meet our past students AND to hear how they serve God with understanding.

Our ministry in The Lamb of God was solidified and stabilized through the partnership of CFC. They assisted us in our first church hall construction. They also helped us with our outreach ministry by donating to us a two-pole tent, which is now old and torn. Not only the tent but also a trailer to help us transporting the tent to reach places that need to hear the Word of God.

Our partnership is ongoing as CfC still minister at some of our conferences from time to time. As a church we often use their premises until our own premise is finished.

- Please pray for the Skills4Life program currently running. Trust the Lord for lives to be changed.
- Thank the Lord for His sustaining grace, care, protection, and provision. To God be all the glory!