

# **Surviving and Thriving**

"The whole body . . . grows and builds itself up in love." Ephesians 4:16

The Croods, an animated caveman family, believe that "the only way to survive is if the pack [their small family] stays together." They're afraid of the world and others, so when looking for a safe place to live they're filled with fear after discovering a strange family already in the area they've chosen. But they soon learn to embrace the differences of their new neighbours, draw strength from them and survive together. They find that they actually enjoy them and that they do need others to live life fully.

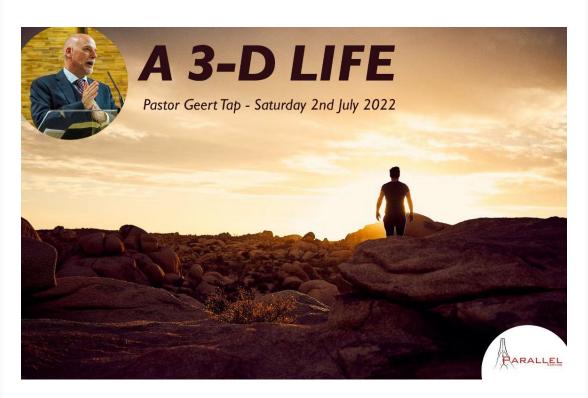
It can be risky to be in relationship—people can and do hurt us. Yet it's for good reason God put His people together in a body, the church. In fellowship with others, we grow to maturity (Ephesians 4:13). We learn to depend on Him to help us be "humble and gentle" and "patient" (v. 2). We help each other by building each other up "in love" (v. 16). When we gather together, we use our gifts and learn from others who use theirs, which in turn equips us in our walk with God and service for Him.

As He leads you, look for your place among God's people if you haven't found it yet. You'll do more than survive; in shared love you'll bring honour to God and grow to be more like Jesus. And may we all depend on Him as we walk through a growing relationship with Jesus and others.

By: Anne Cetas - devotional taken from odb



Watch the Family Service online with Pastor Eglan Brooks



Watch the Parallel Service online - Pastor Geert Tap

# **Announcements / News**

- My Favourite Hymn Concert July 9th 7:30pm. Please submit your favourite hymn and it
  would be great if you could give a reason for choosing that hymn. Send to
  vcahn@hotmail.com
- Pastor James Shepley will be joining the pastoral team as an associate minister as from 1st
  August. Over the past few years, he has been pastoring in the Cheltenham/Swindon districts.
  We wish him and his family every blessing as he comes to minister to us at Stanborough
  Park.
- Pastor Terry will be on annual leave from 18th July to 2 August. If there is an emergency
  during this time please contact Pastor Geert/Shepley or the elders.
- Pastor Geert is leaving the SPC after nearly 7 years of excellent service. His final Sabbath
  will be July 30. If you would like to offer a monetary gift of appreciation please give through
  the usual channels with it clearly marked "Pastor Geert Gift"
- The Women and Prayer Ministries are inviting you to a special afternoon programme of Prayer and Reflection on Saturday, 2nd July, from 3 pm to 5 pm in the sanctuary. The theme for the day is 'Praying the 3 Angels Message'. Please come and let's pray together.
- GLUTEN FLOUR and SOXMIX are available to purchase from Pat Walton. Proceeds to STOP – Save the Orphans Please. Contact Pat on 07788311097

- Combined youth event (in the park) 16th July. From 4pm to 8pm. There will be a
  barbecue, worship, and recreational activities. The idea is to share all the youth groups of
  different ages, together with their families; teens, youth ministry and young adults.
- The Deaconess Ministry is looking for new Deaconesses. If you are over 18 and willing to serve as a deaconess, please get in touch with Annalisa Molteni at annalisa.buraglio@gmail.com. Thank you

Wednesday **Prayer Meeting** in the Armstrong Hall at 7pm. The Meeting is also on Zoom. Meeting ID: 519 552 6863; Passcode: pray3r.

• The flowers at church are given with love and congratulations to James and Fiona Cooper in celebration of their recent 40th wedding anniversary! Thank you for all you have done and continue to do to support the work of our local and wider Church community. You are special to us!

**UPDATE ON ADRA RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS IN UKRAINE** Since February the ADRA network worldwide has raised 3.2 million USD for work in Ukraine. ADRA UK has contributed over £145,000.00 to that amount. You will remember that Stanborough Park Church raised £20,000.00 and many members are still contributing.

All of those funds are being used to give life-saving assistance to those fleeing the conflict or who are still displaced within Ukraine. Working in more than eight countries close to Ukraine ADRA is providing food, water, sanitation, temporary shelter, medical help and counselling. The main efforts are based in Poland, Romania, Hungary and Slovakia. In Poland 46 churches are involved in assisting refugees. In Romania, 28, in Hungary 7 and in Slovakia 5.

ADRA UK is also continuing to assist the hundreds of thousands of people in Yemen, Chad, Ghana, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Zambia, South Sudan and other parts of the world where people continue living in adversity each day.

If you are able to do so, please support the work of ADRA UK. You can do so by giving online - Go to AUDREY'S FUNDRAISER FOR ADRA using the DONATE envelope available at Church write a cheque made payable to ADRA UK

and handing it in at church donating via the ADRA UK website (please let Audrey know if you do this). praying for all those involved in the work of ADRA. Thank you.

**A Spanish teenaged,** Pathfinder, would like to have a Summer exchange with an SDA teenager from the UK. For more information, please contact Arto and Miriam Keshishian.

**Vacation Bible School in August.** We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers for the Snack station, Game Station or as a Crew Leader! Contact Paula for more information on 07818886904. Be part of Jasper Canyon where every child is treasured by God.

A Ukrainian mother is seeking sponsorship for herself and her children, a boy 11 years
old and 1 girl 5 years old. They are not SDA's but are friends of a church member. If anyone
is willing to sponsor and able to offer accommodation for six months please contact the
Ministerial Team for more information.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

- Simeon Williams who is recovering from a serious accident.
- Lascelles Shields who has been unwell
- Terry Menkens and his family.
- Dennis Johnson and his family.
- Individuals who are suffering from cancer, COVID and other health issues.
- Families who are experiencing recent bereavement.
- Families who are battling with the high increase in Bills and Prices of essential commodities.
- The victims of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine as the war intensifies.
- The Prayer Requests in the Prayer Box.
- If you have private Prayer Requests, please place them in the Prayer Box or you can email Florence Allen at <u>LIZALLF@hotmail.com</u>.
- 40 days of Praying and Fasting continues until the 19 July 2022. The programme will be held from 6-6:30am and will be on Zoom. Zoom ID 8316619709; Password: 777

### • Upcoming Preachers (Family Service)

July 9 – Pastor Geert (Communion) July 16 - Pastor Terry

#### **Upcoming Preachers (Parallel)**

July 9 – Pastor D Stojkovic July 16 – Costa Vaggas

#### • Nominating Committee Proposals - 1st Reading

Possibilities Ministries: Joy Bussey - Co-leader

**Deacon:** Ioan Herteliu **Usher:** Phillip Illagan

## Family Service - 2nd July

Welcome & Announcements - Bheki T. Moyo Meditation - Daniel Johnson

Call to Worship - "Be Still for the Presence of the Lord" (1st verse only)

Invocation - Bheki T. Moyo

Opening Hymn - "As Water to the Thirsty", SDAH 460

Tithes & Offerings - Bheki T. Moyo

Baby Dedication - Pastor Kanapathy Thurairajah

Children's Story - Donna Fletcher Bryan (and The King's School Year 1 class)

Hymns of Praise - "In Christ Alone" & "I Have a Maker"

Family Prayer - Des Boldeau

Scripture Reading - 2 Corinthians 3:1-3 (NKJV), Anna Papaioannou

Ministry in Music - "You Know Better than I" - Semira Fletcher Bryan and Arianne Boldeau

### Sermon: "Who Are Ya?" - Pastor Eglan Brooks

Closing Hymn - "Make Me a Servant" Benediction - Pastor Eglan Brooks Postlude - Daniel Johnson

#### **Parallel Service 11am**

Pastor Geert Tap "A 3-D Life"

# Sabbath School from 9:45am

Welcome - & Opening Prayer Opening Hymn - NAH 637 - All the way

Broadcasting Facilitator: Erna Herteliu

Panel: Corina Popa, Anna Papaioannou, Milimo Mumbo, Catherine Phiri Sanctuary - Teachers: Ioan Herteliu, Adewale Ademuyiwa, Roger Murphy













**Parallel Service** 





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