

Notices for January:

We encourage all fellowship groups to maintain connection with each other- to WhatsApp, call, SMS, and email, to watch over each other with support, encouragement and love.

We are updating our database. Please connect with us by emailing: admin@hiltonmethodist.org.za with any changes to your contact details or if we have your birthdate incorrect. Thanks!

LEADERS 2021

Society Stewards:

Gary De Winnaar 083 613 6502
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Tsongai Mukomba 066 238 5218
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Dennis Varty 072 483 9965
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Hope Counselling - If you are in need of counselling this line is serviced by an ecumenical team +27 79 143 8531

2020	Income		Expenses	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Dec		72 617		85 111
YTD	1 043 500	965 052	1 077 489	1 005 208
		Balance		- 40 157

Banking Details:

Methodist Church of
SA - Hilton Society
Branch: FNB- 220825
Acc. No: 6209 880
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Welcome to Hilton Methodist Church

31st January 2021

“Everyone ALIVE in Christ
Serving Him **With Heart, Head & Hands**”



MINISTER: Douw Grobler

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<http://hiltonmethodist.org.za/Sermons>

Message on behalf of the Society Stewards:

In these extremely challenging times, it is a great comfort that we serve a God who is loving and faithful and generous. Apart from all the health-related costs of the Covid-19 pandemic, so many have been affected financially through loss of employment, reduction in income and other financial costs which have arisen in these times. This has been a time when we have all had to pray earnestly that God would 'give us this day our daily bread', in the words of the Lord's Prayer. When Jesus taught his disciples to pray in this way, he was demonstrating firstly that God wants us to trust Him in our daily financial needs, and secondly that He is completely faithful and trustworthy in this area, just as in all others.

At our online Church AGM on Sunday we had an opportunity to examine our budget for the year ahead, as well as the financial statement for last year. Just as the challenges of these times have impacted on our personal finances, so too there is a significant challenge to many churches, including Hilton Methodist. Our projected budget for this year in terms of expenditure reflects that despite the fact that during lockdown certain savings are able to be made, other expenses come to the fore, especially those related to ensuring that the church continues to function through online services. This means that our budgeted expenditure for this year is exactly the same as that for last year, which in these days of rising costs is a real achievement. Our thanks to Dawne, our treasurer, for helping us maintain this discipline, and to all the ministries who have contributed to keeping costs down, and who faithfully do their work without an increase in their own budgets. Unfortunately, on the other side of the balance sheet, our income has taken a considerable knock during 2020 over the period of lockdown, and this challenge continues into this year. We are starting the year with a deficit of R207 000, and with the current diminished income, this deficit will continue to grow each month. Details of the financial position can be found each week in the bulletin, and you are welcome to contact any of the leadership for further information.

We have been in financial difficulties before at Hilton Methodist, and we have seen how God has made a way to bring us through the storm each time. So this is a time for prayer and trusting God in difficult circumstances. God is completely faithful to us, and so we need to be faithful in response. God will take whatever we can give and use it for the ministry of the church, and ultimately for His glory. We bring this matter to you for your prayerful consideration.

Please do pray with us for God's provision in these difficult times. Please pray that we may continue to serve God faithfully at Hilton Methodist, not only in the church but also in the outside world, where there are so many in need of God's tangible love, that we are called to bring to them.

Lectionary Reading for the coming week

Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

Mission @ HMC

HMC has joined other churches in Hilton to supply sandwiches to Life Hospital personnel. Volunteers interested to assist can please contact me. We are making sandwiches at 06h30 and 14h30 for another 2 Wednesdays. This is *not a feeding scheme* but an act of love to affirm & uplift the medical staff.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

▶ **God the Builder!** YouTube link found on the website 😊



Hilton Teens For Christ (HTFC)

Contact Charles to join Friday Night High School Youth on Zoom 😊

BIRTHDAYS FEBRUARY 2021

2 nd Peter Ducassee	072 234 7377	20 th Dominic Casey	082 614 6947
3 rd Zac Janse van Rensburg	0827160078	20 th Sherryl Yellowley	082 565 3749
4 th Charlotte Oosthuizen	082 331 3076	20 th Lukas Oosthuizen	082 414 6204
5 th Hilary Vermeulen	076 838 2853	22 nd Ans Grobler	082 264 6442
6 th Jenna Casey	082 614 6947	24 th Alison Casey	082 614 6947
7 th Darcy De Winnaar	084 209 2201	24 th Gary De Winnaar	083 613 6502
7 th Nonka Gama	072 095 7734	24 th Desre van Aswegen	082 584 4095
7 th Mindy Janse van Rensburg	0827160078	26 th Chloe Evans	072 452 7616
8 th Allen Goddard	084 381 9910	27 th Cecile Hackland	072 859 1632
11 th Marcus Robertson	082 378 8632	27 th Irene Rodda	083 308 2939
14 th Val Evans	072 737 7549	28 th Luyanda Mbense	082 074 8406

PRAYER

Please let us know if you are ill or going into hospital.

Contact Ruth Lubbe 082 826 0784 to join the 'Prayer Chain' WhatsApp group.

Pray especially for...

- **Pastoral Team:** Our minister Douw Grobler, his wife Ans and their children; our Youth Pastor Charles Steyn, his wife Roxanne, and their boys; and our Children's Ministry Leader Michelle Hoctor, her husband Shannon and their girls.
 - **Leaders and Church:** Our Society Stewards, Leaders, and Church Finances
 - **Illness, Bereavement, & Special Needs:** Dale White; Doreen Kruger; Luyanda Mbense; Mora & George Payne; Rick & Marlene Mattison (health); Lorna & Derick Hedgcock (health); Kirsty; June McNicoll (recovering from a stroke); the Rodda family (bereavement); and Pat Winship & family (the loss of Des).
- We continue to pray for **all** who work to provide care, resources and support for those affected by COVID-19 (including police & social workers), those who mourn, those ill at home and in hospital and those who face unemployment.