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**SUNDAY TIMES:**  
**BIBLE STUDIES: 09H00**  
**WORSHIP: 10H00 TO 11H00**  
**22 MARCH 2026**

**Preacher:** Braam Le Roux  
**Sermon Topic:** "Doers will be blessed"  
**Scripture reading:** Psalm 96: 1 - 9  
**Text:** James 1: 22 - 25

**SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9 am.**

We encourage everyone to attend the morning Bible Study classes, as we study the book of Acts. Johan is facilitating the class. Please join us during this time of learning God's Word. Start reading through Acts!

**Song Leader:** Mike Baisley                      **Scripture Reading:** Mike Baisley  
**Opening Prayer:** Ray Calder                      **Lord's Table:** Des Hagemann  
**Closing Prayer:** Chris du Preez                      **Attendance last Sunday:** 39  
**Servers:** Mike, Des, Chris & Ray

**LADIES' BIBLE STUDY – 10 AM**

All the ladies are invited to join in and attend the ladies' Bible Study classes.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please pray for the members and their families in our congregation who are in need of God's grace, healing and strength through difficult times.

We also need to thank God for the many blessings He grants us every day.

**BIRTHDAYS**

Johan Smulders – 23 March  
 Hannah Wood – 23 March  
 Rudi Le Roux – 24 March  
 Konrad Brandstetter – 25 March  
 May God bless these special people with another year of happiness, love and good health!

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Johan & Audrey Smulders – 25 March  
 Wishing a very happy anniversary to a truly special couple who brings so much love and light into our lives!

**WELCOME**

We welcome all visitors this morning. We believe that you will be blessed as we worship God. Please feel free to ask any questions regarding our worship or about God's Word.

**POT-LUCK LUNCH**

There will be a potluck lunch after worship this morning, starting at 12H00. Please stay for a time of fellowship, while enjoying a meal. Ladies on duty are Gill Brandstetter and Pam Share.

**THE CALL TO BE A DOER**

It is easy to equate "knowing" the Bible with "living" the Bible. However, faith without works is not just weak; it is functionally dead (James 2: 17). To hear the truth and do nothing with it is to live in self-deception, acting as though faith is a spectator sport rather than a life-altering reality.

What does "doing" look like?

Being a doer doesn't mean earning salvation through works. Rather, it is a response of gratitude to the grace we have already received. True "gospel-doing" is practical and intentional.

- **Loving Enemies:** Not just hearing "love your enemies" on Sunday, but choosing kindness toward a difficult neighbour on Monday.
- **Caring for the Vulnerable:** True religion, according to James, is caring for orphans and widows in their distress.
- **Transforming Speech:** Bridling our tongues to stop gossip and bring encouragement.

Start small. We don't need to change the world in a day. We need to let the Word change us in the small moments.

- **Pick one verse:** Choose a scripture that challenges you, rather than one that just comforts you.
- **Act immediately:** When God's Word reveals a change needed in your heart, act before the motivation fades.
- **Rely on the Spirit:** We cannot produce lasting transformation in our own strength. The same Holy Spirit who gives us the Word also empowers us to live it.

Don't just admire the Word from a distance. Let it take root in your heart and grow into action.

## DIFFICULT YEARS

By Zeke Flores

In Genesis 47: 9, Jacob tells Pharaoh, "Few and difficult have been the years of my life."

This is not self-pity; it's honesty shaped by experience. Jacob has walked through conflict, loss, fear and hardship, yet he stands as a man preserved by God.

This teaches us that a life of faith is not free from struggle. Scripture never promises ease. It promises God's presence and faithfulness through every circumstance. Jacob's testimony is not that life was smooth, but that God sustained him when it wasn't.

This perspective helps us interpret our own stories. Hardship does not mean God has abandoned us. Difficulty does not negate blessing. God's people often walk through trials, yet they are upheld by His grace.

If your journey has been marked by difficulty, Jacob's words remind you that God's faithfulness is not measured by the absence of struggle, but by His presence within it.

## FAREWELL TO VICKY HALL

Dear Vicky, as you leave our congregation to join a new church family, we want to express our deepest gratitude for the light, love and service you have brought to the 20 Keam Road family. While we are sad to see you go, we rejoice in the new chapter God has for you. We know you will be a blessing wherever you go. Our prayers go with you.

Psalm 121: 8, "The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore."

**Use the space below for sermon notes:**

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