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## News and Prayer Letter

### 10 December 2018

In the last prayer letter of this year, it is fitting to linger a while at the birth of Christ. Matt. 1:23 NLT *"Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means 'God is with us.'"* His birth and His death had a life-changing effect on me. If it were not for these two events I would not have had any hope.

2 Cor. 5:21 NLT *"For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for (my) our sin, so that (I) we could be made right with God through Christ."*

That which I received, eternal life, started with His birth and was extended to the cross and His resurrection. The biggest gift ever! *Abba Father, thank you!*

While enjoying quiet time this morning, my eyes caught the Christmas tree. As I'm mesmerized by the lights flickering on and off the thought crossed my mind, isn't it often how our lives are too? Just sometimes the lights are shining. Our lights aren't static. They flicker and are sometimes on and then off. Why is that? Possibly, because we are not plugged into the Tree of Life and our lights are connected to an "artificial tree"?

Dear Friend, let us place renewed emphasis on, daily, being plugged into the Tree of Life in order for the Holy Spirit to flow through us and for our light to shine bright. The Word says it is Christ in us that is the hope and the light to the world. 1 Cor. 1:27(b).

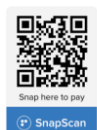
John says in John 1:9 NLT *"The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world."* And in verse 29 *"Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"* He concludes in Jesus's own words in verse 51 *"I tell you the truth, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God going up and down on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth."*

Thank you so much for what you have contributed to CBMC the past year whether money, time or talents. Be assured what you have sown will bring a great harvest!

From the operational team we wish you all a blessed celebration of Christ our Lord and Saviour with family and friends.

Our prayer is that you will experience His joy, love and grace. Amen!

Joyous celebrations!  
**Frik, Harm & Ariana**



## CBMC PRAYER, NEWS & FEEDBACK

### Thankful:

I am grateful for the Lord's provision throughout the year; for His grace, daily and for the privilege of good health. I am thankful to be His child and therefore, I can depend on His daily provision and so doing not stumble around in the dark, but face each new morning in His light.

### News:

Please note that this is our last communication for 2018. The office will close 14 December 2018 and reopen 14 January 2019.

We wish you a time of rest with quality time with your loved ones. May you experience how God instil His peace in your spirit and refuel and inspire you for the new year.

*Ariana*

## Birthdays & Calendar:

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#### December

**10th:** Hugo Coetzee, Nic Olivier & Niel Steinmann **11th:** Robbie Bergwerff & Derek Conlon **12th:** Johan du Plessis & Gert Viljoen **13th:** Hubertus du Toit & Dudley Engelbrecht **14th:** Richard Catlett, Schalk Grobbelaar, Dick Hilland & Johan Lotz **15th:** Chris Venter **16th:** Dave Lindenburg & Wayne Otto

### CBMC Calendar:

*Please take these events in prayerful consideration:*

- Office **close** 14 December 2018
- Office **reopen** 14 January 2019
- **CBMC Greyton Leaders Weekend**, 1 & 2 March 2019
- **CBMC Parys Leaders Weekend**, 15 & 16 March 2019
- **CBMC & Mighty Men Golf Day, Durbanville Golf Club**, 26 April 2019

