

New Apostolic Church

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Foreword

Dear Friends,

'True friendship multiplies the good in life and divides its evils. Strive to have friends, for life... to find one real friend in a lifetime is good fortune; to keep him is a blessing.'

Baltasar Gracián. A Spanish Jesuit (The society of Jesus).

Saturday 30th July will be, **International Friendship Day** as celebrated by the United Nations. All peoples are encouraged to set the day aside to promote friendship regardless of race, colour or religion and to inspire peace between countries, cultures and communities.

Jesus spoke about true friendship under the heading 'Love and Joy Perfected.' These emotions are not just for a moment, in fact, Jesus stated that His joy should be permanent and without any limitation. Our love is not just for Him but also for one another. Scripture records that we are to love one another as Jesus loves us so, for that to be perfected, we need to work at deepening our knowledge and understanding of the love and friendship of Jesus and invest in our personal relationship with Him.

This relationship should continually evolve.

Jesus highlighted this by telling His followers that they were no longer to be addressed as servants in fact, they had become **friends**. John 15:9-17.

That makes perfect sense to me, as out of curiosity, I looked at other versions of the word 'friend.' Words like, supporter, champion, companion, and helper describe well what a real friend does.

Therefore, this is our continued work in progress and that's why fellowship is so necessary to nurture our friendship with our Saviour and with one another by entering the heart of the congregation.

The setting of a divine service provides us with the atmosphere where we can show our joy and love for the Lord and for our brother and sister who, He Himself chose and that together we can bear fruit that will never fade.

And what of our members that cannot attend the divine service?

We continue to make use of the technology available and when and where possible, we'd like to visit you. You are greatly loved, and you too bring us joy when we are able to connect. You are not forgotten, and we remain together until we enter His Kingdom of peace & joy. Romans 14:17

With love,

David Middleton

Celebrations

Ruby Wedding Anniversary Blessing in Norwich

On Sunday 12th June 2022, Priest Felix and Sister Jeanne Beya received the blessing on their Ruby wedding anniversary. Brothers and sisters travelled from far and near to share in their special day. The divine service was followed by a joyous fellowship complete with laden tables of home cooked food.



Ministry

Retirement of Priest Andy Ling.

Over the weekend of 28th and 29th May, a small gathering of retired ministers and their wives shared some time together in fellowship to prepare for the retirement of Priest Andrew Ling from our Nottingham congregation. We wish our Priest Andy and his dear wife Liz, all the very best for years to come and take this opportunity to thank him for many years of loving service.





Fellowship South District Children's Day 2022.

On 26th June, we had a Sunday school service in London Central. The text was 'Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called sons of God.' Matthew 5:9.

The service was conducted by Priest Jeremy Dawson and had lots of participation from the children as they learnt about being peacemakers for God. The London central Sunday school prepared some lovely musical pieces for us, including a violin solo and ending with a wonderful rendition of 'Give me Joy in my Heart,' with some musical instruments. After service all of the kids and their parents went to Holland Park for a picnic and some fun games in the sun. We had a lovely afternoon and fellowship together, can't wait for the next one!





Ministry Ministers Development Programme (MDP) Norway

Two members of the UK MDP team, Evangelists David Abrahamse, and Craig Esterhuizen, travelled to Oslo on 14th May to support the development work for ministers in Norway. The intensive MDP facilitation event focused on equipping deacons and priestly ministers to prepare for – and deliver effective sermons. Although this was the first of such events for Norway, it was by no means the last: plans are being made to provide further support training in subjects such as Liturgical Practices, Pastoral Care, and the Concept of Ministry; as is currently the case for our UK ministers.

Sister Gail Esterhuizen helped to ensure everyone was fed and catered for throughout the day.

Fellowship UK West District Children's Day.

Over 30 children from all congregations in the UK West district, gathered in Gloucester congregation on the 12th of June. The theme of the day was 'Blessed are the Peacemakers,' and all were treated to a lively interactive service complete with craft packs and striking visuals.

After the divine service, everyone was invited to the home and garden of Family Hume where a barbecue and picnic, as well as fun and games were enjoyed under some glorious weather.

Initial plans have already been made to have a similar event for the children next year.





Introduction

A short interview with Deacon Janus Strydom.

? How did I become New Apostolic?

I was adopted into the New Apostolic Church at the age of three in Alberton, Johannesburg. I have been attending ever since.

? What brings me joy in my Ministry?

It brings me joy in my ministry to bring the word of God to our brothers and sisters from a fresh perspective and in a way that it can be implemented in our daily lives.

A Special Experience?

My grandfather was a rector in Cape Town for many years and my father was a priest in Johannesburg too. It is very special to me that I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve in God's House as my father and grandfather have done for so long.

P How do I spend my spare time?

My spare time is dedicated to exercise, a bit of rugby for the local team on the odd occasion and following a number of different sporting events throughout the year.

Fellowship

Divine service in Tullamore, Ireland 19th June 2022.

Some 30 youth from across Ireland attended a divine service together with the congregation in Tullamore, Ireland on the 19th June 2022.

In this divine service, Brother Brent Brown was reinstated into the deacon ministry for the congregation.

Following a generous lunch provided by the congregation and a brief youth discussion, the youth enjoyed an afternoon of fellowship together before travelling home.





Introduction A short interview with Priest Bradley Palmer.

Reinstated to Priest in Sheffield on 17th April 2022

? How did I become New Apostolic?

After my special experience (see below) in 1996. I was baptized in Bezuidenhout Valley Johannesburg in 1997, at the age of 26 by Shepherd Schoonraad. Although I was normally very passive, the next day, I was filled anxiousness and anger. I could not understand why I felt this way and it lasted until I was sealed by Apostle Wilson in Centurion congregation. During my baptism to sealing time period, my wife Avril guided my understanding of what was happening to me and has ever since being a great strength and source of blessing.

? What brings me joy in my Ministry?

There is no greater joy than when someone you mentor and guide experiences the 'a-ha' moment and does everything for Our Triune God and not for man or the institution.

A Special Experience?

I went with Avril to the divine service on Christmas day in1996, in Silvertown congregation (Cape Town). I sat with the congregation while Avril sat with the choir. District Elder Desmond Barnes conducted divine service and he is well known for testifying from the altar. As service progressed, I felt uncomfortable as it felt like he was only talking to me about my life experiences while there were over 700 members there. After service I confronted Avril and asked her why she spoke to District Elder Barnes about me and she said she did not speak to him.

My love for Avril took me into the House of God but His love for me kept me there.

This was the start of many blessings and experiences as a brother, deacon and priest.

? My favourite bible text ?

Matthew 5:37, But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.'

? How do I spend my spare time?

I love to braai (bbq) and cook using sous vide (vacuum seal food in a bag, submerge in water and cook at a constant temperature until the food is cooked to exact doneness). There is no better flavour and texture to beef brisket or pork belly that has been slow cooked and smoked for 10 to 14 hours. Also enjoy making biltong, boerewors and potjies. My wife Avril is the meat spicer.



Sister Precious Tembo assigned as children's teacher for our Sheffield congregation

UK and Ireland Visit of District Apostle Krause to the UK – June 22nd to 23rd June 2022.

District Apostle Krause held a divine service in Chelsfield congregation on Wednesday 22nd June 2022, in which Priest Neil Sinclair was retired from active ministry having served for 25 years as a faithful and loving minister. The sermon was based on a bible text from John 6 verses 67-69.

On Thursday morning, the district apostle held a divine service in Camberley which was streamed via YouTube to all brethren in the UK and Ireland.

District Apostle Krause

in Chamberley



District Apostle Krause with Priest Sinclair



Divine service

Apostle Heynes' schedule July - September 2022

03 Jul 2022	Sun	Itzehoe, Germany with District Apostle
06 Jul 2022	Wednesday	Holiday
10 Jul 2022	Sun	Holiday
13 Jul 2022	Wednesday	Holiday
17 Jul 2022	Sun	Holiday
20 Jul 2022	Wednesday	Soul care visits UK North
24 Jul 2022	Sun	Paide, Estonia with Chief Apostle
27 Jul 2022	Wednesday	Welling
31 Jul 2022	Sun	Camberley
03 Aug 2022	Wednesday	Cambridge
07 Aug 2022	Sun	Gillingham
10 Aug 2022	Wednesday	Birmingham
14 Aug 2022	Sun	Thames Ditton

17 Aug 2022	Wednesday	UK South
21 Aug 2022	Sun	Isle of Man
24 Aug 2022	Wednesday	UK North
28 Aug 2022	Sun	Aneby, Sweden
31 Aug 2022	Wednesday	Holiday
04 Sep 2022	Sun	Tiverton
07 Sep 2022	Wednesday	reserved
11 Sep 2022	Sun	Umanak, Greenland
14 Sep 2022	Wednesday	Nuuk, Greenland
18 Sep 2022	Sun	Rekjavik, Iceland
21 Sep 2022	Wednesday	Hamburg, Germany
25 Sep 2022	Sun	Copenhagen, Denmark
28 Sep 2022	Wednesday	UK West