



DBC Life Trust

Love God – Love People

DEMONSTRATING THE RELEVANCE OF JESUS CHRIST IN TODAY'S SOCIETY

MAY 2018

Our ELDERLY (Retired Pastors, Missionaries, etc.)

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith." (Galatians 6: 9-10)

Since 2008 God has enabled the **DBC Life Trust** to give towards the ongoing needs of many of our retired pastors and missionaries, including their spouses. Over this period the numbers we support have fluctuated, sometimes adding people when we discover someone else who has been living with trying circumstances. We have also removed people when, sadly, they have passed away. We give R600 per month and, with God's help, we

have never been in a position where we have had to stop our support owing to a lack of funds. Presently we support 39 individuals and couples. This is an immense privilege for us as trustees and we both thank those that have contributed and invite others to do the same. This is meeting real needs in a responsible manner that not only sees God glorified but also people being loved in a practical, caring manner.

GIVING TO THE TRUST

Contributing the work of the DBC Life Trust affords you the opportunity to give strategically towards those in need. The DBC Life Trust has a track record of using all its funds to meet the needs of those brothers and sisters in Christ who are most vulnerable. We invite you to partner with us.

An additional benefit of giving to the trust is that we are able to issue you with a section 18A receipt. This receipt you then submit, with your tax return, to the receiver of revenue for a refund. Don't hesitate to call or email myself or Jill if you have any further questions.

OUR PROJECTS

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DELFT HOMEWORK CLUB

A day in the life of the Delft Homework Club.

- Akhona (name changed) has just entered Grade 8 and arrives at the Homework Club at 2:30pm
- She enters the building, and immediately she feels 'safe', and goes to the bathroom to wash hands and refresh herself.
- When she reaches her desk, the one she uses every day that she comes to the Club, she finds a sandwich and a juice on it.
- After enjoying a light snack, Akhona is able to do the homework assigned by her teacher at school.
- Some days she has no homework to do, but then there is always reading, research and studying to do. The supervisors and tutors at the club help her to do this.
- As soon as Akhona feels ready and prepared for the next day's lessons at school, she is able to leave.
- The Bettaway Community Church Homework Club closes at 5:30pm every day.

PRESENTLY there are 55 students in the Homework Club

There are **TEN STUDENTS**, who came through the Homework club, that are busy with their tertiary studies.

JOANNE NOVEMBER completed matric with four distinctions. Well done Joanne

African Proverb
Ghana

"A child that questions is not stupid."

"We will not hide them from their children but tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and His might, and the wonders He has done."
(Psalm 78: 4)

"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world." (James 1:27)

OUR VISION

For the Bettaway Community Centre Homework Club

Our main vision for every child that attends the Homework Club is not only to give them a snack, table, chair, undivided attention and support. It is to build them up in their knowledge of God, the Bible and the Church. The Church at Bettaway in Delft is key in introducing these children to Jesus via this amazing tool. It is our desire not only to see them excel in school and in the community, but to see the hunger that they have after God be met through a simple act of compassion and love. Many of the children attend the church by themselves, unsupported by parents. It is our aim to see their parents visit a

a service in order to experience, for themselves, the love and fellowship that knowing the Lord can give when they know His love. We reach out to the parents through our communication with them about their child's progress at the Homework Club.

You are welcome to call Clive McMinn or Basil Sparks for more information:

Basil: 083 234-4051
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NPO 093-566



MONTHLY BUDGET – R16 500

FRANSCHHOEK

Proclaiming Christ as our Hope to the People of Franschhoek

The **vision** is to establish a multi-purpose centre that proclaims Christ as the hope of Franschhoek, addressing both the spiritual and social realities people are facing.

Agricultural & Hospitality College (A-B-C)

Providing a learning experience to those who have not had the opportunity or means to be empowered in farming techniques and in the hospitality industry. These industries are prevalent in the Franschhoek community and the opportunity exists to be positive difference-makers in and around Franschhoek. The centre will also serve as a half-way-stop for those being released from prison and who are eager to be disciplined and trained.

The Barn

The barn being built will also be a Church for all. This congregation, with God's help, will aim at preaching Christ to people of all ages, races and social standing. A big ask of a big God. Expectant!

The college and church (The Barn) will be built on a piece of land on the Val d'Or Estate, nestled in the foothills of the magnificent Franschhoek mountains. The initiative is being driven by numerous individuals in the Franschhoek community along with the Durbanville Baptist Church (www.durbanvillebaptist.com), with the target date for the first service being the beginning of the 3rd term 2018

How you can help?

Should you feel led to make a contribution this can be deposited into the DBC Life Trust account (account details on the back page). Because the primary function of this building will be the social upliftment of disadvantaged individuals, through training in agriculture and hospitality, we will be able to issue you with a section 18A receipt for your donation. You can then submit this to the receiver of revenue for a refund on your annual tax.

If you would like to get involved beyond helping financially please contact Archie or Basil. Their respective numbers are listed below.



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FINANCES

DBC LIFE TRUST

Summary of income, expenses and distributions

	INCOME	EXPENCES	DISTRIBUTIONS
2008	17 800	5 680,74	11 000
2009	54 510	653,85	40 915
2010	228 842,16	1 759,25	62 595
2011	314 112,2	3 402,13	176 000
2012	134 891,79	4 009,32	268 138,99
2013	194 786,63	8 354,9	290 399,25
2014	355 283,96	6 745,83	302 400
2015	346 238,56	7 832,86	372 364,79
2016	376 540,46	14 168,7	389 733,65
2017	416 942,05	15 528,31	417 300,00
2018	174 856,42	2 761,25	101 200,00
TOTAL	2 614 804	70 897,14	2 432 047

SOME NOTES ABOUT OUR FINANCES

- Every year our finances are audited.
- Gifts designated for a particular purpose are used for the named purpose (e.g. Money given for retired pastors/missionaries is used for retired pastors/missionaries, etc.)
- Expenses are taken from undesignated funds. These expenses have covered printing, postage, legal fees (setting up the trust in 2008), bank charges, etc.
- No individual or trustee has received any income, from the trust, for work rendered.

DBC LIFE TRUST - DETAILS

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PBO NO: 930026524

Registration No. IT 5091/2007

Bank: ABSA

Cheque Account No: 40-7030-4163

Branch: Tyger Manor

- To download our trust deed go to: www.durbanvillebaptist.com
- Audited financial statements are available to those who request them.

PLEASE NOTE: Pass it on to businesses and individuals that once they give, if we have their name, we can issue them with a section 18A certificate. They in turn can submit this with their personal or company tax return, for a deduction.



Speaking of generosity the Apostle Paul says: "But as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you – see that you excel in this act of grace also."

2 Corinthians 8: 7