

ARISE and BUILD

2 April 2023 to 8 April 2023

Encouragement: But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.

[Isaiah 53:

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1. Revival and Reformation in and through the Church

As Christians from all Denominations and Church Movements remember the **Death, Burial and Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ** from the **Friday 7 April to Sunday 9 April 2023**, pray that many meditating on the relevant scriptures will come to Salvation and a deeper and more intimate walk with the Lord! **[Matthew 27: 37-54; 1 Corinthians 15: 3-8; 12-14; 19-20]** Pray that many who are not in the habit of attending Church Gatherings and others that have become lukewarm, will feel drawn to the Services held in remembrance of our Lord's Passion! *Ask the Lord to give every person sharing the Word at these Gatherings the words and wisdom to reach the hearts of their listeners.* **[1 Peter 4: 11]**

Continue to intercede for our NMB young people to have a deep encounter with the living God. Pray for them to come to true repentance - leading to a change in attitude and in lifestyle; for the youth leaders and all in leadership to have great wisdom; and not to attempt to control the move of God among our youth; and for the mature believers to give the Lord glory for this wonderful move of God! Intercede for Revival to break out in every congregation in all 60 Wards in NMB – bringing Salvation and Transformation to each Ward in the Bay. Pray for the Church to bring hope to NMB and to our Nation. Ask God to inspire believers to prayer walk the Areas in which they live. Intercede for the success of the *Jesus 2023 Crusade*, as NMB Christians begin to reach out with the Gospel to the people in the Bay, other SA Cities and other African countries. Pray for those leading this Campaign to have wisdom; strategy and discernment as they plan this huge outreach. Pray for believers from right around the Bay to participate in this Gospel Outreach. Bless and encourage all other similar Outreaches in NMB.

[Psalm 85: 6; Isaiah 57: 15; Psalm 80: 19; Habakkuk 3:2]

2. Pray for our Local Government:

[1 Timothy 2:1-5]

For good health, energy, resilience and protection for our Executive Mayor; the Councillors; and department heads in our Municipality and their families. Pray for unity, harmony, cooperative attitudes; a heart for the Metro to do well; integrity, strategic-thinking, skills to be recognised and used, endurance, wisdom and understanding in our local Government. *Continue to pray for the NMB Infrastructure and Engineering team as they seek to restore infrastructure in the Bay.* Pray for the *ongoing success of the Ward Breakfasts* - taking place Ward by Ward throughout the Bay – where Ward Councillors, Church Leaders, Educators, Medical and Business People meet together to inspire one another to help to re-build and restore their Wards.

[Nehemiah 2:17]

3. Pray for the SAPS; Metro Police; Security Firms and Correctional Services:

For their members to be protected; alert; observant; and impervious to bribes or threats. Ask the Lord to intervene in the Crime situation in the Bay: concentrating on Kwazekela; New Brighton; and Bethelsdorp areas. Pray for those involved in hijacking; kidnapping and human trafficking to be identified and arrested; and for peace and order in the Bay.

[Psalm 29: 11]

4. Concerning this Holiday Season:

Let us mobilise all our Congregations; Cell Groups and Prayer Groups to pray for safety on our roads this holiday season; and for the protection; blessing; restoration and refreshing of the educationalists; learners and students - as they enjoy the holiday break.

[Matthew 11: 28- 30]

Remember the promise: ... *pray to the Lord for the city because if it prospers you will prosper* **[Jeremiah 29: 7]**