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I trust that those who have been following this series on the Beatitudes [Matthew 5] have been blessed, encouraged and no doubt, challenged. Today we consider the 4th Beatitude. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Righteousness firstly speaks about our position and relationship with God. Being right with God. Secondly it speaks about our condition and living right before God. When this is in place then we understand what David means in Ps 23 when he says 'HE leads me in paths of RIGHT-EOUSNESS, for His names sake. It's a remarkable truth that God, through his indwelling Spirit, helps his child to live right, ndwelling Spirit, nelps his child to live right, to His Glory. How then do we get this righteousness to get right with God. This is very important because no man or women is righteous by nature. Rom 3;10"There is none righteous, no, not one". The good news, the gospel, is that we don't need any special gifting, money, skills etc. We simply need to believe: Rom 3:22 This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ ness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. You might well ask: "So what happens to my sin? Some more good news. That is what Jesus took care of on the cross: 2 Cor 5:21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God...and so 'we will be filled'. We will be satisfied and live our lives, and the next, with true meaning and purpose. The 3rd most popular song of all time is the hit song by the Rolling Stones: I can get no satisfaction. U2 is not far behind with: I still haven't found what I'm looking for. Now, this is not just the songwriter's dilemma. It is ALL mankinds' dilemma.

It was also King Solomon's dilemma. He devotes the whole book of Ecclesiastes to dealing with this issue and comes to the very significant and maybe unexpected conclusion that our search for the meaning and purpose of this life is actually a God given Grace. It is built into our DNA. It is part of every man or woman who ever

lived. It is the consequence of us being created in the image of God: Eccl 1:13 And I set my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all that is done under heaven; this <u>burdensome task God has</u> <u>given</u> to the sons of man, <u>by which they</u> may be exercised. Solomon then proceeds to do the exercise and takes a hard and honest look at the meaning and purpose that he had found in his superior education and wisdom, in his royal status, in his unparalleled wealth and fame and in his unrestrained indulgence in all that is pleasurable. He makes the sobering discovery that all of the aforementioned, just like the Rolling Stones, has left him unfulfilled-'I can get no satisfaction'!! And so he concludes the Matter with these Words Eccl 12:13 Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all mankind.14 For God will bring evéry deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil. With Christian Love: Anton van Stormbroek

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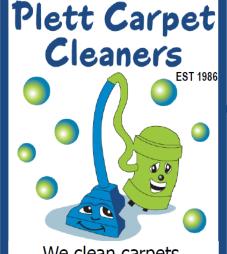
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International Compost Awareness Week
Today marks the end of the International
Compost Awareness Week (ICAW). We
would like to share the first month's results
on several items including Plastic cups;
Paper cups; Plastic straws; Paper straws;
Bio straws; Plastic knives; Wooden knives;
Corn-starch bags; and Compostable
"Plastic" bags which were buried at three
WESSA Eco-schools.

February was filled with sunshine and some sparse rain over a couple of days that was expected to have negligible effects on the buried contents. On the 3rd of March 2020, the first month's contents were removed, cleaned off, and weighed in comparison to the original item weights.

We noticed that paper items had broken

down greatly, however, they retained a lot of moisture from the soils. Weights from the other materials showed a slight increase in weight averaging at 0.3g per item, which is accounted for by soil particles remaining in grooves of the items. Images below show the start of the breakdown of paper and wood materials. Interestingly, the cornstarch bag increased in weight not by dirt but by the increase of fungal activity which is what will eventually breakdown the bag. This was a very interesting first result of the project which only grows with the following months. We know it might take years for the biodegradable "plastic" bag to breakdown, it is interesting to see how organic materials such as the paper and wood items already in one month of burial have had some form of break down.

Although this project is making the comparison to burial (AKA litter) and composting processes, it is important to see how these various items degrade in the environment around us and the rate at which it breaks down. Unfortunately, we had to put the project on hold, due to the nation-wide lockdown. We will continue with the project, once schools re-opens.

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Green Valley Soup Kitchens

Since the start of the lock down, a committee of volunteers - under leadership of Jill Mouet - has been working to distribute food in the Bitou Valley.

During the first four weeks of the lock down food parcels, delivered from the central Plett Covid 19 Relief Effort in town, was distributed to 436 families in Green Valley. However, it soon became apparent that the handing out of food parcels was unsustainable.

The committee became aware of a number of soup kitchens being run by volunteers in Green Valley. It was decided to take hands with the existing kitchens and try to activate some more.

It is simply amazing to experience the generosity and compassion of the ladies running the 6 soup kitchens. The committee had to speak earnestly to some of the ladies, asking them to at least take one day



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off a week. That was their level of commitment.

The current situation is: Jill Mouet sources donations of fruit and vegetables, also dry good like rice, samp and soup mixes. Once a week these donations are divided between the kitchens. The NG Kerk in Wittedrift also contributes dry goods and soup bones.

The central Plett Covid 19 Relief Effort also provides the soup kitchens with JAM, a specially designed and fully balanced "porridge". These supplements are also given out to families in Green Valley. It is a very rewarding task, to reach out and feed people affected by the Covid 19 crisis. Our sincere thanks to everybody who have contributed so far, and everybody who will assist in the future. Thank you for strengthening our hands, so that relief can be brought to hunger people. The largest thank you of all goes our Soup Angels in Green Valley, Edith, Hessie, Katrina O, Jazz, Annie, Claudia and Katrina S. Without you we're unable to serve the community.

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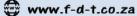
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and Moving Towards the Restoration of our Economy

Dear Plett Residents No doubt the Covid-19 lock down has come as a massive shock to all of you but none more so than those who either own a business or otherwise earn a living in the Bitou area. The extension of the lock down for a further 2-week period has undoubtedly caused even more concern but in many ways the most frightening aspect of the entire exercise is yet to come and that is re-entering the work place with great concern as to what you will find when you get there. In many ways it will be a bit like re-entering an aréa after a natural disaster. Nothing will be the same. If it was back to business as usual, some hard work and determination would soon rectify the interruption in momentum and income but, sadly, it is not going to be like that. Even if your business was permitted to open on Friday 1st May, many businesses upon whom you depend for your turnover may not be permitted to operate as yet as a result of which you may be facing similar expenses with a lesser income. For employees this may mean that you will be made redundant or your salary reduced if that has not happened to you already. To add to the challenges, our most important industry, being the tourism industry, will have been the industry most severely impacted upon and the most challenging to

resuscitate as historically we have been very dependent on inbound tourism which tourists are subject to restrictions of their own. As an inevitable knock on effect, many other businesses depend on tourism and will be negatively impacted.

The question is "where do we go from here?"

Clearly re-inventing the way we do business and moving as rapidly as we can towards level 1 and beyond must be first and foremost in our minds.

Shortly before the President's address to the nation when announcing the extension of the lockdown, an eminent doctor was interviewed who brought valuable perspective to the predicament faced by the country. In essence he said two very

important things.

The first was that the initial predictions concerning the spread and potential impact of the Coronavirus were just that predictions in the absence of any real scientific data as the virus had so recently appeared on the scene. I believe that we are already seeing that some of the more dire predictions have not come to pass including those pertaining to the spread and impact of the virus in South Africa. At this point in time we are way behind predicted

levels of spread and we share this in common with most of the rest of the world. This is encouraging but by no means any reason for complacency which leads directly into the second and most important

point and that is: "What will happen depends on what we do - or don't do"

In short, the spread and impact of the disease is in the hands of the individual and all of us cooperatively as a town comprising of individuals - each one of us acting sensibly and diligently doing what we are being instructed to do.

Whether you are a businessman desperately striving to save your business or a retired person wondering when you will be able to once again enjoy a cup of coffee with your friends at a coffee shop or get your hair done, the answer is the same.

We are all in this together.

If we all pull together and make maximum effort as a town, we should be able to move quite rapidly back to relative normality with most businesses opening so that we can commence the restoration process.

Conversely if there are those amongst us who, for one reason or another, believe that the laid down protocols do not apply to them, we will walk a far longer, harder and less pleasant road with a far more severe impact on our economy. It is as simple as that.

Diligently wearing an adequate facial mask is increasingly being recognized as the key to any strategy to contain the spread of the virus. Germany, which has traditionally shunned masks like many other countries to their cost, have legislated the wearing of masks as part of their strategy to re-open the economy. As an indication of how seriously the Germans now take this issue, a fine of up to US\$5000.00 can be imposed on those failing to comply. From the 1st May the law will require all of us to wear face masks at all times when in a public place. It is up to all businesses and each one of us to ensure that every individual in our town wears a mask at all relevant times. No individual should be admitted to business premises or be engaged in conversation unless wearing a mask. A common practice that has been observed is pulling down one's mask when talking. Talking spreads droplets and is a "high risk of spread" occupation so a mask should not only be worn but in place at all times

Moving back to normality will also have its challenges because once we are heading there, we will have more visitors visiting our town whilst we are striving to preserve that relative normality. At present we have zero active Covid cases in the Bitou area and no new cases have been detected for some weeks despite extensive testing in some areas. We must strive to keep it that way by not only practicing recommended guidelines diligently but insisting that those that visit our town do likewise.

Insofar as businesses are concerned, you not only need to have in place the full raft of protocols in active use but insist that those that enter your premises adhere to those protocols by having their hands sanitized and wearing a mask at all times.

A recent review of supermarkets and other

businesses currently open revealed a high degree of non-compliance with recommended guidelines and carelessness in implementation even when protocols were in place. Amongst these noncompliancy issues were the following:-Staff not in possession of masks – plastic shields are no substitute for a mask but can be used in addition to a mask for additional protection;

Staff (and management) in possession of a mask but the mask strung around the neck or otherwise not properly in place; Ineffective hand cleansing facilities at the entrance.

Remember the principle of "your mask protects me and my mask protects you".

Those failing to adhere to mask wearing requirements are a risk to our society. It is a question of preventing virus containing droplets being ejected into the air - this is what a cloth mask achieves. As a community let us pull together and unite in a common effort like never before and beat this virus and restore our economy.

Detailed instructions on how to avoid contracting Covid – 19 are available on the Plett Tourism and Business Chamber websites.

Finally, but equally importantly, support local businesses whenever you can and think innovation in the way you conduct

Let us together restore that wonderful Plett feeling to our town.

Yours in the love and preservation of Plett.

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