

The Scots International Church Rotterdam



**Schiedamsevest 121,
Rotterdam
Services every Sunday at 10.30 am**

Sunday 3rd February 2013

THE GATHERING

Call to worship

Introit: "O the deep, deep love" (522) - the Choir

Welcome & prayer

Praise: To God be the glory! (708)

Children's message

Praise: My God is so big

THE WORD

Prayer of confession

Bible reading: **Genesis 41: 28 – 57** (p. 46)

Praise: Abba Father, let me be (3)

Sermon: **"From Prisoner to Prime Minister"**

THE THANKSGIVING

Offering & dedication

Praise: From heaven You came (162)

Sacrament of Communion (after sharing the
peace we sing "Sent by the Lord am I")

Prayers for others

THE SENDING

Anthem: "The Lord's My Shepherd" (1008)
– the Choir

Announcements

Praise: I, the Lord of sea and sky (857)

Benediction & 'three-fold' Amen

Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 99)*

Let us praise the name of the Lord.

The Lord is king, the Lord our God is holy.

Let us praise the name of the Lord.

The Lord is mighty. The Lord our God is just and full of mercy.

Let us praise the name of the Lord,

Let us worship at his holy mountain,

For the Lord our God is holy.

Thought for the week

When things go wrong, we often demand 'Why?' When we are in trouble, we often cry 'Help!' But when things go well, do we give God the credit or simply bask in the limelight? When Pharaoh flattered Joseph, he shifted the focus away from himself and turned the spotlight on God.

The Service today

Preacher: Rev. Robert Calvert

Elder: George Aiomwanbor

Organist: Netty Dijkstra-Geuze

Choir: Anneke Pot

Children's message: Richmond Mensah

Bible reading: Elizabeth Dorn-Lee

Welcome: Jimmy van Putten & Maureen Vollema

Crèche: Marcel & Veronica Kind

Counting: Joy Okojie & Chinedum Koka

Door: James Essel

Beamer: Eugene Ng

Recording: Brenden van der Velden

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WHAT'S ON

Monday

19.00 SKIN-Rotterdam (Church House)

Tuesday

19.45 Council meeting (Lower Hall)

Wednesday:

11:00 Mamre (Lower Hall)

Thursday

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

19.30 Alpha Course prayer & preparation
(Lower Hall)

Sunday

10.30 Worship, Joyful Singers

12.00 Soup-Lunch

Birthdays

We offer warm congratulations to Joke te Winkel (today), Pjotr Lane (Monday), Elsie Chapman (Wednesday), Ewout Stoutjesdijk (Friday), Cynthia Massicott and Celine Abunam (Sunday) on their birthdays this week.

Next Sunday Cynthia will be ninety years old and we invite you to stay on after the service to celebrate with her.

Prayer Network

Using an email prayer network, we hope to be better connected, informed & encouraged to pray for the SICR people, the church and the world we live in. We want to share specific information as far as we are able to, but not personal details that should be regarded as confidential. A prayer coordinator will send out gathered information & requests to network participants on a weekly basis by email. There may be occasional opportunities to meet for prayer and fellowship. If you would like to be part of this SICR Prayer Network and in this way actively participate in intercessory prayer, please send a message to Wilma Paton at pray.sicr@gmail.com, or leave a note in the prayer box in the church entrance.

Alpha course

On 14 February a new Alpha Course begins. Next Thursday we devote the evening to praying and planning for it. We will watch a DVD about how it was used in a church in Scotland. Please come if you would like to be involved!

This course is an excellent introduction to the Christian faith which begins with a meal on Thursdays. You can register now or for a friend. The evening starts from 19.00 with a meal and finishes at 21.15. More information is in the front entrance or speak with Alan Paton.

Annual General Meeting

The congregation is reminded that on Sunday 24 February we have our Annual General Meeting after the service. Reports from the groups and organisations in the church are requested and should be given to Bob Hensen or sent to scotsintchurch@cs.com

Weekly Offering Envelopes

New offering envelopes are available from the treasurer Jim Taylor. They are dated for each Sunday in 2013 and for anyone who would like to give a regular amount every week. Anyone paying income tax is entitled to claim back for monies donated to the church & a receipt is prepared by the treasurer for this purpose.

Stichting Living Water Link

The foundation Living Water Link still collects electronics that are in working condition for the project in Nigeria. They would be interested in such items as TVs, computers, mobile phones, etc. If you have any to be picked up, please call Peter Agbasomba at 010 479 3933 or at: tessca@hetnet.nl. Info at: www.livingwaterlink.nl

Beginner's Dutch Lessons

If you are interested in starting some beginner's Dutch lessons, speak to Harry Jonckheere (tel. 010 501 5296). The lessons will be at "Mamre" on Wednesday mornings from 10.00.

Mission Offering

After the Communion service today we will take up a mission offering for "Mamre" which provides hospitality to uprooted people on Wednesday mornings and at other times.

Young adults

We are having a discussion about forming a young adults group that will meet for fellowship on perhaps a monthly basis. If you are interested or have ideas, speak with the minister or with Eugene Ng. We want to offer support to those who are over 18 and left the youth group.

Migrant church tour

On Sunday 10th February some students from Tyndale Seminary will undertake a tour of eight migrant churches in Rotterdam from the Russian Orthodox church at 9.45 to the Urdu Protestant Church at 17.30. If you are interested to join the group, please speak to Robert Calvert.

Reading group

The next meeting of this group is on Friday 22 February at 13.00. The book is "Sunset Song" by Lewis Grassic Gibbon and includes some Scots dialect. See Dr. Pat Ewing for more information.

Abba Father

One reason for singing "Abba Father" today is in memory of the late father of Edwin Teisman, Huys who was present for Edwin's baptism last year. His funeral took place on Thursday 17 January in Groningen. We remember family Teisman in our prayers. Snacks with our coffee / tea are brought by Edwin and Bridget.

