



# MARONITE MEMO

October 2007

## Dear Family & Friends

Welcome to the fifth edition of your Maronite Memo filled with all the news about the wonderful and inspiring community events we have enjoyed this past October.

## CONTENTS

GERMANUS / GERMANOS DAY	2
HUMAN ROSARY	4
THE MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY	5
KRUGERSDORP MASS	6
KRUGERSDORP CHRISTMAS FUNCTIONS	6
C.W.L 75TH ANNIVERSARY	7
OBITUARIES	7
THE MOST CRITICAL MORAL ISSUE OF OUR TIME	8
A MORAL RESPONSIBILITY TO REVERSE CRIME	9
ST JUDE BOOK	11
LEICHER LUNCH	11
JOKE OF THE MONTH	11
FAMILY MESSAGE OF THE MONTH	11
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	12
CONFIRMATION	13
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS	14
FOREST FIRES RAVAGE LEBANON	15
CHRIST & THE CEDAR TREE	15

In order to grow this initiative we ask you to please send us your friends' and family member's emails to be added to our database. Also we would love to hear from you! Send us your comments to [info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za](mailto:info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za)

Wishing you a blessed November.

*Jeraldene Coleman*

EDITOR



MARONITE  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Lady of the Cedars,  
Woodmead

Tel: 011 805 1305

Fax: 011 805 1306

Email:

[maronite@netactive.co.za](mailto:maronite@netactive.co.za)

OUR LADY OF LEBANON,  
MULBARTON

Tel: 011 432 5331

Fax: 011 432 5312

Email:

[maroniteoll@hotmail.co.za](mailto:maroniteoll@hotmail.co.za)

LEBANESE FAMILY  
CLUB

DEDICATED TO PRESERVING OUR  
LEBANESE HERITAGE THROUGH

- FAMILY DAYS
- FAMILY TREES
- FAMILY BOOKS
- FAMILY WEBSITES

Tel: 011 804 7566

Fax: 086 666 5412

Email:

[lebfamilyclub@webmail.co.za](mailto:lebfamilyclub@webmail.co.za)

[info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za](mailto:info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za)

Website:

[www.lebanesefamilyclub.co.za](http://www.lebanesefamilyclub.co.za)

Postal Address:

PO Box 76043,  
Wendywood, 2144

Office Hours:

8:30-4:30, Mon - Fri

Coordinator:

Jeraldene Coleman

Fr. Nadim Abou Zeid M.L.M

FAMILY CLUB

# GERMANUS / GERMANOS DAY



Germanus/Germanos Book & DVD Set  
R200



*Coming Soon:*

Germanus/Germanos CD & DVD Set  
with all the Family Day's Stories,  
Laughter, Speeches & Entertainment  
R250

*Also Available:* Family Books & DVDs  
for all the previous Family Days



**G**ERMANUS / Germanos Day - A ride along the tide of love... All up early in the morning laying out mezza platters, loading the car, assembling the children, phone calls from one house to another, “Esmesaleb lets go. The day has arrived”. It all started in May of this year. So my sister/ brother, did you hear? They have now come round to us, Germanus day is to be held this year, and we must attend a meeting at the church. First meeting attendance was jovial and informative, finding out what is expected of us and setting a date, the end of August seemed most popular. So the journey to the Germanus day had begun.

Not only a journey but a discovery too, for we must produce a family magazine. Who is my Jido & Sito? Where were they born? How many cousins do I have? Find photos, find information. Meetings at the church, meetings in our homes, countless phone calls, change the date, August not so good. Finally all agreed on 14th October 2007. But alas October was too late for some: Raymond became very ill, Jeanette and his children had to sadly refrain from attending, and likewise Desiree from Durban after booking her family air tickets and accommodation also refrained from attending due to father Janie suffering a stroke. Their presence on the 14th was sorely missed by all.

By golly did Solly's good memory assist us in compiling the magazine. Dates, incidents, achievements, he knew them all. A lot of stories given to us by other family members were augmented with information given to us by Solly. And so the e-mails, phone calls and meetings continued

until the magazine was completed and ready and waiting for us as we arrived on the 14th October. Many arrived late or later than intended, there was a roadblock just one street away from the church that day.

The day began in a most befitting manner with all attending and participating in Holy Mass. The singer, the offetory bearers, the readers, were all the members of the Germanus family, making us all feel both proud and humble at the same time. Mass is ended, now family photo time “Please leave the hugging and kissing for later” pleads Father Nadim. Gather around for the photo. One photo in the church and then one outdoors at the Shrine. How wonderful! Multitudes of Germanuses together in a photo.

Now through to the hall we all go. Finally all are seated at their tables. Can you feel the love, the unity, the joy? Yes it is always a buzz and alive when the Germanuses gather together, like a mist or aura travelling from person to person. Elated emotions, sad and happy memories were the essence of the day, most particularly for Solly, Janie and Lucy. The elders were honoured, the speeches given and the DVD screened. What a good-looking people they were, how strong, how vibrant and yet so humble. The proceedings of the day were led so professionally by our MeeCee Grant Germanus. The lunch was enhanced by the sounds of Jenny Peters tickling the ivories of the piano. Then Christine Mansour entertaining us with the sounds of her golden voice, sounds driven by her generous heart, the epitome of a Germanus. And watching her sister Taryn dancing is witnessing a manifestation of her parents love for a very special person. Parental love for our children is a mainstream of our lives in the Germanus families, which in turn leads to love for one another. A love, which kept us sharing together there on that Sunday, long after the expected time of completion of the festivities. Yes, music, dancing, food, drink and Germanus can be enjoyed for a long, long time. MARCELLE SIMON



**HONOURING OUR ELDERLY:**

**TYRONE GERMANUS, FR NADIM ABOU ZEID, MARCELLE SIMON, SOLLY GERMANUS, MARIA-NEA GERMANUS, MARY FORD, LUCY GERMANUS, JANIE GERMANUS & FR CHARBEL HABCHI.**

*I know I speak for all when I say our thoughts and prayers are with you Desiree, and for all of you in Durban, most especially for Dawn with the passing of Jannie, a humble and loving man. Marcelle*

*“Walk away – please go.” Raymond you have walked away, but have not gone from us. In the words of your wife “He lived a clean life” - Yes, you were a good man, Ray. Our daily prayers and thoughts to Jeanette and all the children, we love you. Marcelle*



An aerial photograph capturing a large-scale religious event. A massive human rosary formation, composed of individuals in blue and white attire, is arranged in a large, irregular circular pattern on a grassy field. The formation encircles a central church building with a prominent red-tiled roof and a white dome. The church is surrounded by a parking lot filled with cars. In the background, residential houses and a road are visible. At the top of the image, two groups of people are standing on a grassy slope, one in blue and one in white. The overall scene is set in a suburban or rural area with greenery and clear skies.

# HUMAN ROSARY

**In honour of the Mother of Jesus, our Most High Saviour,  
our parish formed a Human Rosary on Sunday, 14.Oct.2007  
at Our Lady of Lebanon in Mulbarton.**

**T**HE Human Rosary, an event never before attempted, proved to be a very successful occasion. We were blessed with perfect weather, especially after a thunderous storm the night before.

The turn out was spectacular, as every bead was filled with devotees, both young and old. Some beads were filled with entire families, some by the Aids orphans, some by people who were strangers in the beginning, but friends in the end.

We prayed the Rosary on each bead, as one would on a normal sized, handheld Rosary and between each decade (a series of 10 Hail Mary's), a song was sung, because what is praying to God, without praising Him with our voices?

As we prayed the Glorious Mysteries (the mysteries dedicated to Sundays because Jesus rose to life on Easter Sunday), people were filled with awe as they reflected on the experience unfolding before their eyes and the knowledge that they were a part of this amazing occurrence.

An immense amount of effort went into the careful planning of this event from our Youth Committee, who gave so freely of their time, talent, ideas, hard work and dedication to this project from start to finish, which was supported wholly by our parish priests, Father Maurice Chidiac and Father Abdo Skayem M.L.M.

Meetings were held, duties were delegated and a plan was in progress. A photographer, who generously donated his talent and time for the day went up in a helicopter to take aerial shots of the Human Rosary. The pilot also very kindly donated the use of his helicopter to our parish and for this we are very grateful.

From the helicopter, one would be able to see the seven Our Father beads wearing white T-shirts amongst the many Hail Mary beads who wore blue T-shirts. The Human Rosary was formed by 615 people, men, woman and children, alike.

LIZA ALEXIOU

## THE MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY



### THE FIVE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

THE BAPTISM IN THE JORDAN

THE WEDDING AT CANA

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE KINGDOM

THE TRANSFIGURATION

THE INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST

### THE FIVE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

THE ANNUNCIATION

THE VISITATION

THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

THE FINDING OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE

### THE FIVE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN

THE SCOURGING AT THE PILLAR

THE CROWNING WITH THORNS

THE CARRYING OF THE CROSS

THE CRUCIFIXION AND DEATH OF OUR LORD

### THE FIVE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

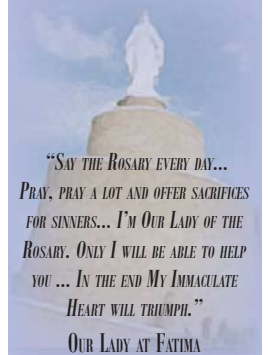
THE RESURRECTION

THE ASCENSION

THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

THE CORONATION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER



*"SAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY...*

*PRAY, PRAY A LOT AND OFFER SACRIFICES*

*FOR SINNERS... I'M OUR LADY OF THE*


*ROSARY. ONLY I WILL BE ABLE TO HELP*

*YOU ... IN THE END MY IMMACULATE*

*HEART WILL TRIUMPH."*

*OUR LADY AT FATIMA*

# KRUGERSDORP MASS

 ON Sunday 14 October Mass was celebrated at the club followed by tea and cake. The occasion was well supported and we would like to thank Fr. Badaoui , who has been appointed as the new Superior of the Lebanese Maronite Mission in S.A , for taking the time out of his busy schedule to visit Krugersdorp and celebrate Holy Mass with our members .

We would like to thank the choir for their contribution as well as those members who travelled distances to attend Mass. We were especially delighted to have the Lebanese Consul Mr Jimmy El Douaihy attending the Mass and we would like to thank him for his show of support to our community in Krugersdorp.



NAZHA ESSEY

CHAIRLADY OF THE WEST RAND LEBANESE SOCIAL CLUB

## CHRISTMAS FUNCTIONS

**T**HE Christmas Tree Function is to be held at the Krugersdorp club grounds on Sunday, 2 December. A beautiful Mass will be celebrated with our children being encouraged to bring small gifts for orphans and needy children of St Charbel's Helping Hand. They will present their gifts during the time of the offertory and in this way we will be teaching them the meaning of Christmas which is to give generously and lovingly to those in greater need.

A luncheon will follow with wonderful children's entertainment such as meeting Fr Christmas!!! as well as jumping castles, clowns and much more. Each family to please bring a labelled gift for their children (under 12) not exceeding R100 for Fr Christmas to present to them. Braai-packs will be made available.

For catering purposes please RSVP with Nazha Essey by Friday 23 November - 082 410 7686, esseymj@iafrica.com.

**Everyone is very welcome!**

Christmas Mass will be celebrated on Christmas eve ( 24/12 ) at 8.00 PM at the club and this will followed by light refreshments.

**PLEASE DIARISE THESE DATES: 2.12.2007 AND 24.12.2007.**

# CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE 75TH ANNIVERSARY



**CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE IN THE JOHANNESBURG DIOCESE: THE APOSTOLIC DELEGATE, ARCHBISHOP JAMES P. GREEN, WITH OFFICE BEARERS OF THE JOHANNESBURG DIOCESAN COUNCIL AND THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE AT THE HOLY MASS OF THANKSGIVING IN THE CEDARS OF LEBANON**

**H**UNDREDS of women, members of the Catholic Women's League gathered at the Church of Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon in Woodmead to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the CWL in Johannesburg on September 22 this year. The Papal Nuncio Archbishop James Green was chief celebrant at the Mass of thanksgiving and his homily emphasised the genius of women in the Church. "No man has something to bring to the Church that you can't bring," he said. "We thank and appreciate and acknowledge what you do - we need you and the Church needs you. Vocations come from families, yes, but especially from mothers." Abp Green, calling all to meditate on the Blessed Mother, outlined her indispensable role in the history of Christianity and how she epitomised the motto of the League in their call for 'Charity, Work, Loyalty'.

- *Abridged from Archdiocesan News.*

## OBITUARIES ✠

**M**AY our Merciful Lord grant pardon and peace to these, our faithful departed:

### OUR LADY OF CEDARS

- ✠ STEVEN MAGUA  
AGE: 38 07.10.2007
- ✠ DANIEL SHALALA  
AGE: 24 07.10.2007
- ✠ BRIAN LEBOS  
AGE: 75 12.10.2007
- ✠ ODETTE KALIFY  
AGE: 81 15.10.2007
- ✠ EDNA CHEMALY  
AGE: 78 21.10.2007
- ✠ MAGDALENE ABBOTT  
AGE: 61 23.10.2007
- ✠ PATRICK FARAH  
AGE: 72 24.10.2007

### OUR LADY OF LEBANON

- ✠ SALIM ECHO DAVID  
25.12.1939 - 07.10.2007
- ✠ WILLIE JOHN NASSIF  
25.09.1928 - 24.10.2007
- ✠ SARAH THERESA PETER  
08.09.1940 - 28.10.2007
- ✠ DEBORAH ELIZABETH  
CRAWLEY  
19.01.1955 - 30.10.2007
- ✠ ROBERTO TEODOSIO  
13.10.1982 - 18.06.2007  
(BURIED 31.10.2007)

### ST FRANCIS DE SACES OBLATES

- ✠ SR ROSE-HENRIETTE  
BADRIA  
AGE: 83 02.09.2007



# PREMISES TO DEFEND

## THE MOST CRITICAL MORAL ISSUE OF OUR TIME!

**W**HILST our constitution protects the “rights” of criminals, it legalises the murder of our children, thereby creating the most critical moral issue of our time! Whilst the law-makers (The ANC government) and the vast majority of people all over the world, agree that controlled abortion is the “right of all woman”. We as Christians and Catholics vehemently abhor this “man made law” because of four simple premises:

1. **THE RELIGIOUS PREMISE:** The premise that every human life is sacred. One need not adhere to any particular religious faith to accept this, in that sense is not a matter of faith. We all have an innate power to know the sacred. Just as we have an innate power to know what we ought to do (conscience). |We all know it is simply wrong, always wrong to kill human beings. Human life is sacred!

2. **THE ETHICAL PREMISE:** We will all agree that the deliberate killing of any innocent human being is wrong. Premise two depends on premise one. If murder is really wrong, there must be a real right and wrong! No individual has a right to destroy a sacred thing, except perhaps in self defense, if one’s own “sacred thing” is threatened.

3. **THE SCIENTIFIC PREMISE:** It is a scientific fact that the fetus, from the moment of conception, is a genetically programmed distinct individual member of the species “human being”. Since the fetus is a distinct human individual, it comes under law: Thou shall not murder. The tiny underdeveloped unborn baby is sacred, just as a tiny underdeveloped born baby is!

4. **THE LEGAL PREMISE:** The prime purpose of law is to protect human rights. Law must therefore protect human life. Sometimes a woman has no alternative to abortion? Wrong!! Adoption is always an available alternative. A pregnant woman’s right over her own body ends where the baby’s body begins. Why does the law protect some rights? Why not all rights? Can we even comprehend where we would be today if our Mother Mary also claimed “this is my body” and had our Christ aborted...?

The conclusion from these four premises is simple enough for all to understand and agree... like murder is outlawed, so should abortion, for abortion is nothing but first degree murder. John Paul II said “A nation that kills its own children is a nation without a future”. Is this why our country is in such turmoil?

A person is a person no matter how small.

*ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO PETER KREEFT “MAKING CHOICES.*

# “ WE HAVE A MORAL RESPONSIBILITY TO REVERSE CRIME”

**A**RBISHOP Buti Tlhagale, OMI, Archbishop of Johannesburg, said in his homily at the Requiem Mass held for Fr Allard Msheyene ' Mako OMI at St Charles, Victory Park on October 11 (who was fatally shot in an apparent hijacking in Nelspruit): “A death of one young priest is one death too many,” he said. “... Criminals are home grown. They come from our own communities. The stolen guns that kill randomly are at times hidden away by members of the family. That gun, they say, brings bread home... Crime has weakened and undermined the moral fibre of the South African society.



LATE FR ALLARD MSHEYENE ' MAKO OMI

Some of these heartless criminals claim to be members of our church communities. Such criminals ought not to be buried from our churches. Why should we bend backwards to accommodate cold-blooded murderers? Recipients or beneficiaries of stolen property - people who knowingly and consciously receive stolen property or assist the criminals in their sordid trade are members of our church community. They ought to be banned from receiving Communion. They are collaborators in crime. Their hands are dripping with the blood of innocent people.

“...Family members who cooperate in crime, benefit from crime. They contribute significantly towards the moral bankruptcy of society. We all have a moral responsibility towards reversing crime. Fr Allard has been cruelly and needlessly sacrificed at the sinister altar of crime. Now he is just another crime statistic. We have every reason to be outraged. It is morally reprehensible to stand by and watch helplessly, as if in a state of paralysis. Society must protest in the strongest terms possible against the weakness of government in curbing crime. It is wrong and totally unacceptable to become prisoners of our own fears. Our own communities are the breeding grounds of crime. They too must be confronted headlong. If we don't do that, then there is only one inescapable conclusion. We don't care for the people we claim to love. May his soul rest in peace.”

ARCHBISHOP BUTI TLHAGALE OMI, ARCHDIOCESE OF JOHANNESBURG



LORD Jesus, in Your mercy, protect our family and friends and all the citizens of South Africa from brutal crime plaguing this country.

IN Your mercy keep us safe, we ask this through Your Holy Name.

Amen.

### HOW IT BEGAN

SALEAF owes its origin to a body of the same name founded in the 1970's by a group of South African Lebanese businessmen who identified the need to raise funds to assist in the education of members of their community.

Over the past three decades many have benefited from their efforts.

### THE OBJECTIVE

SALEAF's goal is straight forward: To educate, empower and uplift as many qualifying candidates as possible by providing them with the financial support they need to enable them to access a tertiary education and the opportunity to realise their full potential.

In addition to committing to serve SALEAF in furtherance of its objective, the founding members have pledged to donate sufficient funds to enable SALEAF to fund at least one qualifying student in his/her tertiary education in 2007.

### HOW CAN YOU HELP US?

You may make a once-off donation, a continuing monthly or annual pledge or support SALEAF by attending fundraising events.

Whichever option you decide on, rest assured that all support is welcome and every Rand counts and will be acknowledged and accounted for. As a Section 21 company we are audited annually, we are open to public scrutiny and all financials can be inspected at the Registrar of Companies' offices.

### HOW WE CAN HELP YOU!

If you are a South African of Lebanese descent who wishes to embark on or continue a tertiary education, go to [www.saleaf.co.za](http://www.saleaf.co.za) and click on "Applications" for more details.

### FOUNDING MEMBERS OF SA LEAF

Alexander Terblanche, Benjamin Deeb, Cherisse Kairuz, Clive Kairuz, Colette Rahme, Janine Allem, Jeffrey Kourie, Jerome Kourie, John Bolus, John Jacob, Jonathan Deeb, Maha Deeb, Mark Pardini, Mark Witten, Melissa Bolus, Nadia Tollman, Nicolas Najjar, Nicole Bolus, Simon Joseph, Vanessa Chidrawi & Warren Tollman



# ST JUDE BOOK

**I**N honour of All Saints Day, the Maronite Church published “A Devotion to St Jude” which included the traditional novena to this Patron Saint of Desperate Causes as well as beautiful and miraculous testimonies from our Maronite Community. Due to this booklet’s huge popularity, we will be publishing similar books to other beloved Saints - and we invite you all to email your miraculaous intercessions to [info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za](mailto:info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za).

## LEICHER LUNCH



THE DESCENDANTS AND FAMILY OF THE LATE **ALEX AND MATTY LEICHER** AT THE HOME OF **CHARLES & CHERYL LEICHER, 28 OCTOBER 2007.**

**T**HE Lebanese Family Club greatly encourages family gatherings. Let us get together and share our food, our stories and our lives. We would love to see your family get-together as well as your special occasion pics (especially 20 yrs + Wedding Anniversaries)! Please email them with full details to [info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za](mailto:info@lebanesefamilyclub.co.za).

### Joke of the Month:

**Q:** What do you call a famous Lebanese?  
**A:** A Celeb!



**NEW**  
**FAMILY CLUB**  
**PRODUCT!**

**DIVINE**  
**CEDAR**  
**HANDWASH**

SUPPORT YOUR FAMILY CLUB  
AND BRING THE  
AROMATIC SCENT OF THE  
DIVINE CEDAR TREE  
INTO YOUR HOMES.

AVAILABLE IN  
THE CHURCH REPOSITORY  
& FAMILY CLUB OFFICE.



**Family Message**  
**Of the Month**

**“Love heals  
children’s hurts.”**

[www.marfam.org.za](http://www.marfam.org.za)



# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

**M**AY our Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep these first Holy Communicants and all their families in grace, purity and love:

Our Lady of  
Lebanon  
- Mulbarton  
21 Oct 07

Our Lady of  
the Cedars  
of Lebanon -  
Woodmead  
28 Oct 07

Amber Abrahams  
Andrea Tomada  
Angelo Antonie  
Ashley Da Silva  
Bianca Bolota  
Bianca de Carvalho  
Brendan Iazarus  
Brendon Jarvis  
Calvin Habib  
Catia Ramos  
Chant Khouri  
Ciara Kleiner  
Crispin Jarvis  
David Azev  
Ethan Mazamisa  
Fabian Morgan  
Jade Iazarus  
Jade Lewis  
Jade Tucker  
Jean Marc Nortje

Jordyne Zaki  
Kaylyn Goosen  
Kearne Bok  
Kenoshi Anthony  
Kyle Lennox  
Leandro da Silva  
Megan Moodley  
Michaela Azev  
Miguel van eer Miller  
Milano Figueira  
Mpho Siweya  
Nicholas Meyer  
Nicol Cazzavillan  
Nikita Iazera  
Roberto Dos Ramos  
Sergio Bolota  
Shaun Jonathan  
Sikhu Mabece  
Stöhm Lewithwaite  
Tanur Sham

Dylan Caitz  
Marcia Tandy  
Orisa Wymers  
Danielle Power  
J.G. El-Boustani  
Maxene Fonseca  
Jodi Joseph  
Joe Shalala  
Tyler McKenna  
Christine Rajaram  
Adrian Aezie  
Courtney Maher  
Daniella Taddei  
Candice El Hajj  
Cameron Leisher  
Michael Warnes  
Jordan Cass  
Kelly Danckwerts  
Lorenzo March



OUR LADY OF LEBANON, MULBARTON



OUR LADY OF THE CEDARS OF LEBANON, WOODMEAD

# CONFIRMATION - 6.10.2007

**M**AY the Holy Spirit bless, protect and strengthen these Confirmants and their families in faith, zeal and righteousness:

## Girls

Jalar Karam  
Bianca Dos Santos  
Angelique Jorge  
Tsholofelo Lefwane  
Jessica Karam  
Samantha Stewart  
Cecilia Caradas  
Emma Stewart  
Roxanne Govender  
Jessica Leisher  
Anele Madhlabane  
Simone De Freitas  
Francesca Wilson  
Koketso Moroka  
Samantha Rix  
Makhosazana  
Madhlabane  
Kirsten Zackey  
Candy Sempe  
Katheo Mosoahle  
Kimberlee Erasmus  
Monique Dos Santos  
Maria Rebelo  
Jessica Campbell

Donna Meyer  
Raquel Mao-Cheia  
Stacey Sham  
Ashton Nassif  
Carey Biagi  
Kenyon Putter  
Rachel Qoboza  
Danielle Khoury  
Millicent Sitwe  
Tanielle Oliver  
Leah Branca e Silva  
Cara-Lisa Sham  
Rachel Branca e Silva  
Dineo Letsholo  
Nicole Quintino  
Genevieve De Ponte  
Bianca Buckett  
Natalie Zoghby  
Seren Zackey  
Angela Gordon  
Margie Brise  
Rita Koller  
Vicky-Lee Rook  
van Rensburg

## Boys

Jesse Bohn  
Joey Zackey  
Nico Sander  
Wayne Ollewagen  
Dean Anthony  
Damon Nasser  
Luke Leisher  
Tony Zackey  
Jude Kafil  
Vitor Somoos  
Cheyne Rahme  
Steven Theron  
Ashton Lazarus  
Jared Lebos  
Devin Zoghby  
Nuno Brizido  
Adrian Michael  
Devin Cos  
George Letsholo  
Michael Sherry

Ivo Iazic  
Duren Munsami  
Michele Brondani  
Kyle Rollinson  
Edward Theunissen  
Gerard Kairuz  
Shaun Sardinha  
Mark Biagi  
Anthony Michael  
Bruce Hardie  
Jose Jardim  
Reeza Yousuph  
Donovan Risk  
David Branco e Silva  
Anthony Jagga  
Ricardo Pires  
Darius van der Berg  
Trevor Smythe  
Marc Neto



# BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS and blessings to the following members who were baptised or married.

Baptised	Parents	Godparents
<b>Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon - Woodmead</b>		
MATTHEW RODRIGUES	Francisco Antonio & Mandy Rodrigues	Martin Rodrigues & Isabel Grinnis
SHAKITA & AMELIA ANTHONY	Tyrone Anthony & Teresa Prins	Michael Sadie & Theresa Sadie
ANNA KHOURY	Vernon De Wet Jafqui Khoury	John Khoury & Tania Shahim
SOPHIA YIALLOURIS	Michael Demetrios & Maria Ann Yialfouris	Panas Comminos & Paulette Comminos

## Our Lady of Lebanon - Mulbarton

NADYA & SERENA NOBREGA	Jorge & Athina Nobrega	Rui & Yvonne Magalhaes Luis & Suzette De Luz
MILA CORREIA	Renaldo & Alida Correia	Johan Oosthuizen & Nicole Correia
ANASTASIA, ROXANNA & NATASHA NASSIF	Lee & Silva Nassif	Vanessa Nassif & Ruairi Foschetti

# Weddings

**Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon - Woodmead**  
 MADELEIN LIVANOS & AMANDA PIENAAR  
 - 5 OCTOBER 2007

**Our Lady of Lebanon - Mulbarton**  
 JOSEPH HABIB & BEVERLEY VENTER - 5 OCTOBER 2007  
 JOAO FERNANDES AND LAURINDA DELGADO - 7 OCTOBER 2007  
 DAMIANO BIANCHI & VICKY-LEE ROOK-VAN RENSBURG - 13 OCTOBER 2007  
 TREVOR AUB & ANTHEA MITCHELL - 27 OCTOBER 2007  
 JOAO DA SILVA & ELIZABETH LUIZ - 28 OCTOBER 2007

On Saturday 13 October, a special baptism celebration was held for the orphans of New Jerusalem Children's Home. Congratulations and blessings to:

MILDRED RUTH JOJO	SOPHIE OLIVIA LEPHOI
CEBILE ANNA MBUYANE	GIFT RAPHAEL TSHABALALA
JOSHUA SAMUEL LEPHOI	TSHEPISO LAKSHMI LEHANA
LAWRENCE LANELLO BOK	MNAZI JEREMIAH KHOZI
ANDRIES JOSEPH MAHLANGU	REFILWE ELIZABETH MOTHIBE
NOKUTHULA GRACE MARUFANE	TSAKANE ABRAHAM NDLOVU
DIKELEDI VESTA NKOSI	KRISNA MOSES VAN DORP
BONOLO ISIS MOEMA	LEAGO GERMAINE MABALA
LESEDI REBECCA JOJO	SELINA AMAZONIA NGOBENI
NTANDO NADA CALENI	MEMORY PIETRA MATHEBULA
NTHABISENG DIANA METHULA	JOHN MAROUN SIBANDA
JOHANNES PRINCE MOPANI	JENINE CLARE MEYER
TUMI LUMINA SELEPE	YANGA THOMAS SOTHONDOSHE
MPHO KYANYIN MSIYA	INGA PAUL SOTHONDOSHE
JEANET AMERISSIS MLAMBISA	JANE MARGARET MOGAMME
ESTHER FAITH MORDECAI	ELAM ANGEL MPONGO
SIFUNDO MAITREYA HADEBE	TEBOGO VIRGO LEHANA
BRENDA REJOYCE NDLOVU	VERONICA REJOYCE MHLANGA
DANIEL MAREKA LEPHOI	SONGEZO HEZEKIEL MBULANE
NOMFUNDO HOPE NCUBE	DIMAKATSO OMEGA LEKGATLE
DIMAKATSO VENUS HADEBE	NKHEANSANE RAFIKA NTSHUDISANE
AUBONISHER MARTHA KRUGER	KAROLOGANYO MARK MAILULA
JOHANA MAPASEKA MKHASWA	DAIZY SARAH MLAMBO
SIBONGILE ANNA SIBISI	THABO DANIEL MOUNATLALA
SIMANGALISO KALI RANTSANE	THEMBA SIMON KHOZA
THABO MAROUN MPOGO	SINOQBILE FRANCIS BUTHELEZI
LORRETA JOAN MANGALA	LUCKY EMMANUEL MOTSEPE
EMMANUEL JOHN MOYANA	MOJALEFA LUKE LEHANA
MAHLATSHE PORTIA TSHIPALANE	AGEL NAOMI SIBANDA
NHLANHLA SOTHONDOSHE	NTOMBIXOLO CHRISTINE MDAKA
NTANDO ZADKIEL QULU	LORRAINE LETO MANGALA
LUTHANDO SHIVA NGILEKA	REFILWE LAKSHMI NKOSI

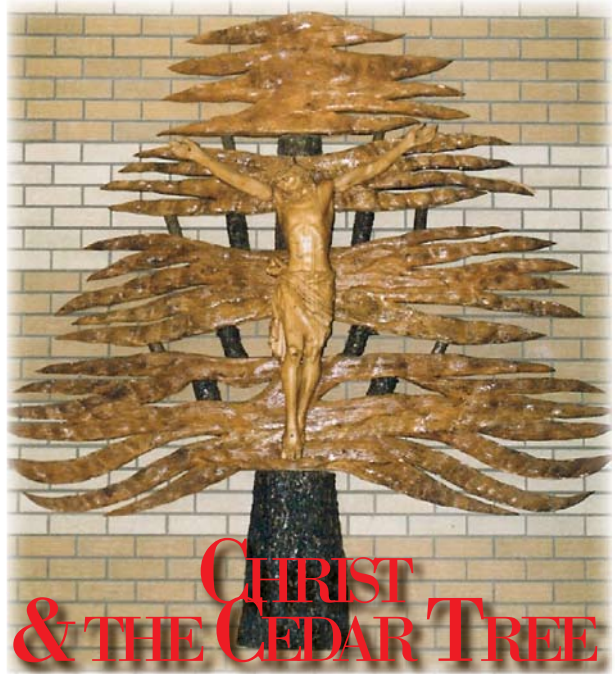


BAPTISM OF THE ORPHANS OF NEW JERUSALEM CHILDREN'S HOME

## FOREST FIRES RAVAGE LEBANON



Let us pray for the recovery and restoration of Lebanon's forests and people which were brutally ravaged in October by a number of fires, leaving one woman dead, dozens injured and 2,500 hectares burned to ashes. These wild fires (mainly caused by climatic conditions: prolonged hot summers, lack of water and violent winds) have claimed approximately 0.25 percent of Lebanese territory, 11 percent of Lebanon's forest cover. Replanting the lost 2,500 hectares will cost 10 million dollars.



**D**ID you know that this beautiful artwork, displayed in the front entrance of our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon, Woodmead was specially commissioned for our Church and hand-crafted by artist Sleiman Gegea, 1992.

May this exquisite art of the Crucified Christ upon the Cedar Tree always remind us of our Maronite Lebanese Roots, the sacrifices of our ancestors, from Our Lord to our parents, and the faithfulness and honour we owe to all of these.

<p><b>WESTERN RED CEDAR TREE</b></p> <p><b>R 100</b></p>	<p><b>INCENSE CEDAR TREE</b></p> <p><b>R 350</b></p>	<p><b>PINE TREE</b></p> <p><b>R 450</b></p>	<p><b>OAK TREE</b></p> <p><b>R 600</b></p>	<p><b>CEDAR OF LEBANON TREE</b></p> <p><b>PRICELESS!!!</b></p>
--	--	---	--	--