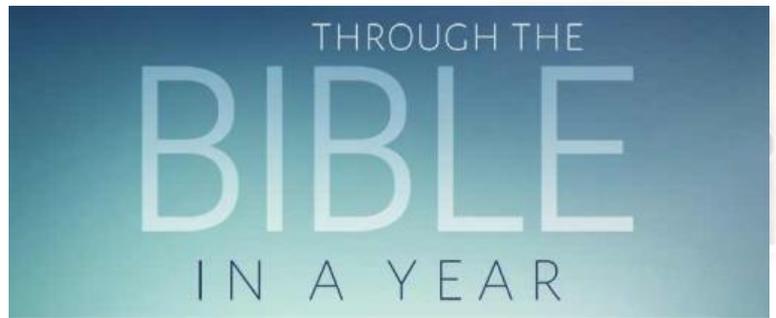


“This is the one to whom I will look,’ declares the LORD, ‘he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.’ ~Isaiah 66:2b~



Get ready! Throughout 2016 Cromhall Chapel will be journeying through the entire Bible, the greatest story ever told, a message from God Himself about redemption, intimacy and truth! Our back to the Bible campaign will centre on our 2016 chapel theme verse from **Isaiah 66:2b**.

Why this verse?

As a chapel we are committed to the trustworthiness, relevance and power of Scripture because we believe that it transforms lives producing life, hope and clarity. God has spoken and He desires us to draw near and know Him. Our verse reminds us of the attitude we are to have towards the LORD and His Holy Word. As a people desiring revival Church history reveals how the Bible has always been a light in dark places and that *every* revival—ever— was and is always associated with a renewed hunger for God’s Word (cf. Acts 2:41, 42 & 47, 6:7, 9:27 & 31, 12:24, 16:5, 19:20). May the Lord look to us with favour as we humble ourselves and tremble at His Word!

What will this entail?

- ✓ Memorizing this short verse
- ✓ Reading the Bible daily following a [chronological reading plan](#)
- ✓ Journey together for enjoyment, profitability, encouragement and accountability
- ✓ Pastor Chris will be preaching through a chronological survey of the Bible each week;
- ✓ Visiting preachers are invited (though not compelled) to join with us
- ✓ Blog posts will centre around what we are reading each week
- ✓ Focusing on Scripture in other ways and bringing Isa 66:2b into our weekly conversations

Why read the Bible?

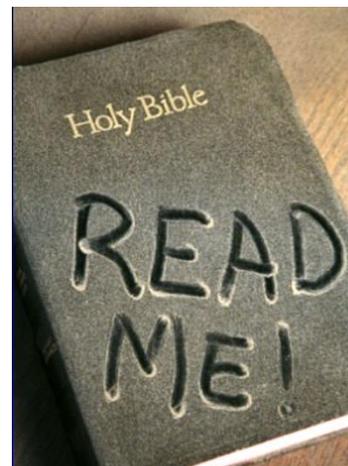
Central to why we believe the Bible should be read and proclaimed is because of what we believe it to be, the very Word of God:

God has revealed himself in the Bible, which consists of the Old and New Testaments alone. Every word was inspired by God through human authors, so that the Bible as originally given is in its entirety the Word of God, without error and fully reliable in fact and doctrine. The Bible alone speaks with final authority and is always sufficient for all matters of belief and practice. (FIEC Statement of Faith).

Similarly, we believe in the importance of the proclaimed Word of God. *We believe the Bible is God’s written word and that, by the work of the Holy Spirit, as it is faithfully preached, God’s voice is truly heard.* That is why preaching is at the heart of chapel life; the people of God gathering under the Word of God, to hear from Him just as we see it in Scripture.

Do I have to read the Bible?

No. No one can be forced to read the Bible. But ultimately it is your loss. That is why we would *love* to see everyone pledge to make this journey! The elders will be leading by example because they believe this is so important. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain! If you choose not to participate, decide to join part way, or are already mid-way through a reading plan of your own (which is great!), then that is between you and the Lord. However, we hope you'll read what you can, follow the sermons, and put the spirit of our verse into practice. There are lots of excuses why not to read the Bible but the reasons to read it make these appear feeble. The Bible is the most precious possession this world affords. What shall we say if we neglect so great a treasure? How can we be wise and discerning if we don't know what it says?



How does reading the Bible spiritually bless us? (The Bible as a means of grace):

- ✓ God's Word is used by Him as an instrument to impart spiritual life to us (Jas 1:18, 1 Pe 1:23)
- ✓ It makes us *wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus*; is inspired by God; and convicts of us sin and points us to righteousness (2 Ti 3:15-16)
- ✓ As new Christians this continues as the Word is *able to build you up* (Acts 20:32)
- ✓ By it we are spiritually nourished (Deut 8:3; Matt 4:4)
- ✓ It is of absolute necessity and is not an extra or something to be trivialized (Deut 32:47)
- ✓ It guides us in the correct way and speaks wisdom into life's journey (Ps 119:105, Ps 19:7) especially in the midst of an ungodly culture (1 Pe 1:19)
- ✓ It provides us with encouragement and hope in life's journey (Ro 15:4)
- ✓ God's Word is powerful like fire and a hammer (Jer 23:29) and a sword (Eph 6:17; Heb 4:12)
- ✓ And at the end of the day you really do become what you eat (Ps 115:8)

Prayer Points:

Please pray that the Holy Spirit might:

- ✓ Place within our hearts an insatiable hunger for God and His Word
- ✓ Give us the spiritual stamina to stick with the readings and make regularly spending time in God's Word a spiritual discipline that will last a life time
- ✓ Be encouraged to grow our faith and that we would apply the Word to our lives
- ✓ Do great things amongst us throughout 2016 at Cromhall Chapel!

Bible Reading Plan

We will be following a chronological reading plan (enclosed, posted at the chapel and online). There are many online versions of this plan including, e-calendar alerts, emails, mobile apps, and an online tracker and additional resources (not to mention Mp3 audio Bibles available online). These can be found by going to: <http://about.esvbible.org/resources/reading/>. We are doing a chronological plan primarily because it is easiest to preach, however, this will also help us understand God's story of redemption as it unfolds.

Come along on this incredible journey, you will never be the same again...

Chronological Bible Reading Plan (www.esv.org/bible/readingplans)

Jan 1	Gen 1-3	Feb 16	Lev 11-13	Apr 3	Judg 10-12	May 17	2 Sam 16-18
Jan 2	Gen 4-7	Feb 17	Lev 14-15	Apr 4	Judg 13-15	May 18	Ps 26, Ps 40, Ps 58, Ps 61-62, Ps 64
Jan 3	Gen 8-11	Feb 18	Lev 16-18	Apr 5	Judg 16-18	May 19	2 Sam 19-21
Jan 4	Job 1-5	Feb 19	Lev 19-21	Apr 6	Judg 19-21	May 20	Ps 5, Ps 38, Ps 41-42
Jan 5	Job 6-9	Feb 20	Lev 22-23	Apr 7	Ruth 1-4	May 21	2 Sam 22-23, Ps 57
Jan 6	Job 10-13	Feb 21	Lev 24-25	Apr 8	1 Sam 1-3	May 22	Ps 95, Ps 97-99
Jan 7	Job 14-16	Feb 22	Lev 26-27	Apr 9	1 Sam 4-8	May 23	2 Sam 24, 1 Chr 21-22, Ps 30
Jan 8	Job 17-20	Feb 23	Num 1-2	Apr 10	1 Sam 9-12	May 24	Ps 108-110
Jan 9	Job 21-23	Feb 24	Num 3-4	Apr 11	1 Sam 13-14	May 25	1 Chr 23-25
Jan 10	Job 24-28	Feb 25	Num 5-6	Apr 12	1 Sam 15-17	May 26	Ps 131, Ps 138-139, Ps 143-145
Jan 11	Job 29-31	Feb 26	Num 7	Apr 13	1 Sam 18-20, Ps 11, Ps 59	May 27	1 Chr 26-29, Ps 127
Jan 12	Job 32-34	Feb 27	Num 8-10	Apr 14	1 Sam 21-24	May 28	Ps 111-118
Jan 13	Job 35-37	Feb 28	Num 11-13	Apr 15	Ps 7, Ps 27, Ps 31, Ps 34, Ps 52	May 29	1 Kgs 1-2, Ps 37, Ps 71, Ps 94
Jan 14	Job 38-39	Mar 1	Num 14-15, Ps 90	Apr 16	Ps 56, Ps 120, Ps 140-142	May 30	Ps 119:1-68
Jan 15	Job 40-42	Mar 2	Num 16-17	Apr 17	1 Sam 25-27	May 31	1 Kgs 3-4, 2 Chr 1, Ps 72
Jan 16	Gen 12-15	Mar 3	Num 18-20	Apr 18	Ps 17, Ps 35, Ps 54, Ps 63	Jun 1	Ps 119:69-176
Jan 17	Gen 16-18	Mar 4	Num 21-22	Apr 19	1 Sam 28-31, Ps 18	Jun 2	Sng 1-8
Jan 18	Gen 19-21	Mar 5	Num 23-25	Apr 20	Ps 121, Ps 123-125, Ps 128-130	Jun 3	Prov 1-3
Jan 19	Gen 22-24	Mar 6	Num 26-27	Apr 21	2 Sam 1-4	Jun 4	Prov 4-6
Jan 20	Gen 25-26	Mar 7	Num 28-30	Apr 22	Ps 6, Ps 8-10, Ps 14, Ps 16, Ps 19, Ps 21	Jun 5	Prov 7-9
Jan 21	Gen 27-29	Mar 8	Num 31-32	Apr 23	1 Chr 1-2	Jun 6	Prov 10-12
Jan 22	Gen 30-31	Mar 9	Num 33-34	Apr 24	Ps 43-45, Ps 49, Ps 84-85, Ps 87	Jun 7	Prov 13-15
Jan 23	Gen 32-34	Mar 10	Num 35-36	Apr 25	1 Chr 3-5	Jun 8	Prov 16-18
Jan 24	Gen 35-37	Mar 11	Deut 1-2	Apr 26	Ps 73, Ps 77-78	Jun 9	Prov 19-21
Jan 25	Gen 38-40	Mar 12	Deut 3-4	Apr 27	1 Chr 6	Jun 10	Prov 22-24
Jan 26	Gen 41-42	Mar 13	Deut 5-7	Apr 28	Ps 81, Ps 88, Ps 92-93	Jun 11	1 Kgs 5-6, 2 Chr 2-3
Jan 27	Gen 43-45	Mar 14	Deut 8-10	Apr 29	1 Chr 7-10	Jun 12	1 Kgs 7, 2 Chr 4
Jan 28	Gen 46-47	Mar 15	Deut 11-13	Apr 30	Ps 102-104	Jun 13	1 Kgs 8, 2 Chr 5
Jan 29	Gen 48-50	Mar 16	Deut 14-16	May 1	2 Sam 5:1-10, 1 Chr 11-12	Jun 14	2 Chr 6-7, Ps 136
Jan 30	Ex 1-3	Mar 17	Deut 17-20	May 2	Ps 133	Jun 15	Ps 134, Ps 146-150
Jan 31	Ex 4-6	Mar 18	Deut 21-23	May 3	Ps 106-107	Jun 16	1 Kgs 9, 2 Chr 8
Feb 1	Ex 7-9	Mar 19	Deut 24-27	May 4	2 Sam 5:11-6:23, 1 Chr 13-16	Jun 17	Prov 25-26
Feb 2	Ex 10-12	Mar 20	Deut 28-29	May 5	Ps 1-2, Ps 15, Ps 22-24, Ps 47, Ps 68	Jun 18	Prov 27-29
Feb 3	Ex 13-15	Mar 21	Deut 30-31	May 6	Ps 89, Ps 96, Ps 100, Ps 101, Ps 105, Ps 132	Jun 19	Ecdl 1-6
Feb 4	Ex 16-18	Mar 22	Deut 32-34, Ps 91	May 7	2 Sam 7, 1 Chr 17	Jun 20	Ecdl 7-12
Feb 5	Ex 19-21	Mar 23	Josh 1-4	May 8	Ps 25, Ps 29, Ps 33, Ps 36, Ps 39	Jun 21	1 Kgs 10-11, 2 Chr 9
Feb 6	Ex 22-24	Mar 24	Josh 5-8	May 9	2 Sam 8-9, 1 Chr 18	Jun 22	Prov 30-31
Feb 7	Ex 25-27	Mar 25	Josh 9-11	May 10	Ps 50, Ps 53, Ps 60, Ps 75	Jun 23	1 Kgs 12-14
Feb 8	Ex 28-29	Mar 26	Josh 12-15	May 11	2 Sam 10, 1 Chr 19, Ps 20	Jun 24	2 Chr 10-12
Feb 9	Ex 30-32	Mar 27	Josh 16-18	May 12	Ps 65-67, Ps 69-70	Jun 25	1 Kgs 15:1-24, 2 Chr 13-16
Feb 10	Ex 33-35	Mar 28	Josh 19-21	May 13	2 Sam 11-12, 1 Chr 20	Jun 26	1 Kgs 15:25-16:34, 2 Chr 17
Feb 11	Ex 36-38	Mar 29	Josh 22-24	May 14	Ps 32, Ps 51, Ps 86, Ps 122	Jun 27	1 Kgs 17-19
Feb 12	Ex 39-40	Mar 30	Judg 1-2	May 15	2 Sam 13-15	Jun 28	1 Kgs 20-21
Feb 13	Lev 1-4	Mar 31	Judg 3-5	May 16	Ps 3-4, Ps 12-13, Ps 28, Ps 55	Jun 29	1 Kgs 22, 2 Chr 18
Feb 14	Lev 5-7	Apr 1	Judg 6-7			Jun 30	2 Chr 19-23
Feb 15	Lev 8-10	Apr 2	Judg 8-9			Jul 1	Obad 1, Ps 82-83

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Jul 2	2 Kgs 1-4	Aug 17	Jer 35-37	Oct 2	Matt 1, Luke 2:1-38	Nov 17	Acts 4-6
Jul 3	2 Kgs 5-8	Aug 18	Jer 38-40, Ps 74, Ps 79	Oct 3	Matt 2, Luke 2:39-52	Nov 18	Acts 7-8
Jul 4	2 Kgs 9-11	Aug 19	2 Kgs 24-25, 2 Chr 36	Oct 4	Matt 3, Mark 1, Luke 3	Nov 19	Acts 9-10
Jul 5	2 Kgs 12-13, 2 Chr 24	Aug 20	Hab 1-3	Oct 5	Matt 4, Luke 4-5, John 1:15-51	Nov 20	Acts 11-12
Jul 6	2 Kgs 14, 2 Chr 25	Aug 21	Jer 41-45	Oct 6	John 2-4	Nov 21	Acts 13-14
Jul 7	Jonah 1-4	Aug 22	Jer 46-48	Oct 7	Mark 2	Nov 22	Jas 1-5
Jul 8	2 Kgs 15, 2 Chr 26	Aug 23	Jer 49-50	Oct 8	John 5	Nov 23	Acts 15-16
Jul 9	Isa 1-4	Aug 24	Jer 51-52	Oct 9	Matt 12:1-21, Mark 3, Luke 6	Nov 24	Gal 1-3
Jul 10	Isa 5-8	Aug 25	Lam 1:1-3:36	Oct 10	Matt 5-7	Nov 25	Gal 4-6
Jul 11	Amos 1-5	Aug 26	Lam 3:37-5:22	Oct 11	Matt 8:1-13, Luke 7	Nov 26	Acts 17:18:18
Jul 12	Amos 6-9	Aug 27	Ezek 1-4	Oct 12	Matt 11	Nov 27	1 Thes 1-5, 2 Thes 1-3
Jul 13	2 Chr 27, Isa 9-12	Aug 28	Ezek 5-8	Oct 13	Matt 12:22-50, Luke 11	Nov 28	Acts 18:19-19:41
Jul 14	Mic 1-7	Aug 29	Ezek 9-12	Oct 14	Matt 13, Luke 8	Nov 29	1 Cor 1-4
Jul 15	2 Chr 28, 2 Kgs 16-17	Aug 30	Ezek 13-15	Oct 15	Matt 8:14-34, Mark 4-5	Nov 30	1 Cor 5-8
Jul 16	Isa 13-17	Aug 31	Ezek 16-17	Oct 16	Matt 9-10	Dec 1	1 Cor 9-11
Jul 17	Isa 18-22	Sep 1	Ezek 18-19	Oct 17	Matt 14, Mark 6, Luke 9:1-17	Dec 2	1 Cor 12-14
Jul 18	Isa 23-27	Sep 2	Ezek 20-21	Oct 18	John 6	Dec 3	1 Cor 15-16
Jul 19	2 Kgs 18:1-8, 2 Chr 29-31, Ps 48	Sep 3	Ezek 22-23	Oct 19	Matt 15, Mark 7	Dec 4	2 Cor 1-4
Jul 20	Hos 1-7	Sep 4	Ezek 24-27	Oct 20	Matt 16, Mark 8, Luke 9:18-27	Dec 5	2 Cor 5-9
Jul 21	Hos 8-14	Sep 5	Ezek 28-31	Oct 21	Matt 17, Mark 9, Luke 9:28-62	Dec 6	2 Cor 10-13
Jul 22	Isa 28-30	Sep 6	Ezek 32-34	Oct 22	Matt 18	Dec 7	Acts 20:1-3, Rom 1-3
Jul 23	Isa 31-34	Sep 7	Ezek 35-37	Oct 23	John 7-8	Dec 8	Rom 4-7
Jul 24	Isa 35-36	Sep 8	Ezek 38-39	Oct 24	John 9:1-10:21	Dec 9	Rom 8-10
Jul 25	Isa 37-39, Ps 76	Sep 9	Ezek 40-41	Oct 25	Luke 10-11, John 10:22-42	Dec 10	Rom 11-13
Jul 26	Isa 40-43	Sep 10	Ezek 42-43	Oct 26	Luke 12-13	Dec 11	Rom 14-16
Jul 27	Isa 44-48	Sep 11	Ezek 44-45	Oct 27	Luke 14-15	Dec 12	Acts 20:4-23:35
Jul 28	2 Kgs 18:9-19:37, Ps 46, Ps 80, Ps 135	Sep 12	Ezek 46-48	Oct 28	Luke 16-17:10	Dec 13	Acts 24-26
Jul 29	Isa 49-53	Sep 13	Joel 1-3	Oct 29	John 11	Dec 14	Acts 27-28
Jul 30	Isa 54-58	Sep 14	Dan 1-3	Oct 30	Luke 17:11-18:14	Dec 15	Col 1-4, Phm 1
Jul 31	Isa 59-63	Sep 15	Dan 4-6	Oct 31	Matt 19, Mark 10	Dec 16	Eph 1-6
Aug 1	Isa 64-66	Sep 16	Dan 7-9	Nov 1	Matt 20-21	Dec 17	Phil 1-4
Aug 2	2 Kgs 20-21	Sep 17	Dan 10-12	Nov 2	Luke 18:15-19:48	Dec 18	1 Tim 1-6
Aug 3	2 Chr 32-33	Sep 18	Ezra 1-3	Nov 3	Mark 11, John 12	Dec 19	Titus 1-3
Aug 4	Nahum 1-3	Sep 19	Ezra 4-6, Ps 137	Nov 4	Matt 22, Mark 12	Dec 20	1 Pet 1-5
Aug 5	2 Kgs 22-23, 2 Chr 34-35	Sep 20	Hag 1-2	Nov 5	Matt 23, Luke 20-21	Dec 21	Heb 1-6
Aug 6	Zeph 1-3	Sep 21	Zech 1-7	Nov 6	Mark 13	Dec 22	Heb 7-10
Aug 7	Jer 1-3	Sep 22	Zech 8-14	Nov 7	Matt 24	Dec 23	Heb 11-13
Aug 8	Jer 4-6	Sep 23	Est 1-5	Nov 8	Matt 25	Dec 24	2 Tim 1-4
Aug 9	Jer 7-9	Sep 24	Est 6-10	Nov 9	Matt 26, Mark 14	Dec 25	2 Pet 1-3, Jude 1
Aug 10	Jer 10-13	Sep 25	Ezra 7-10	Nov 10	Luke 22, John 13	Dec 26	1 Jn 1-5
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Aug 12	Jer 18-22	Sep 27	Neh 6-7	Nov 12	Matt 27, Mark 15	Dec 28	Rev 1-5
Aug 13	Jer 23-25	Sep 28	Neh 8-10	Nov 13	Luke 23, John 18-19	Dec 29	Rev 6-11
Aug 14	Jer 26-29	Sep 29	Neh 11-13, Ps 126	Nov 14	Matt 28, Mark 16	Dec 30	Rev 12-18
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