

# Prayer guide for the week 25 September to 1 October

"Lord Jesus, when the winds pick up and all looks hopeless, I will continue to trust in You." Anon

When Bartholomew Diaz rounded the Cape, a huge storm was raging. In fact, he didn't even see Cape Point until his return trip. He called it "Cabo das Tormentas", the Cape of Storms. It certainly lived up to that name this past weekend! So much havoc was caused by the wind and rain; flooding, particularly on the Cape Flats, trees blown down, people missing. Bridges have been swept away, isolating from traffic on the N1, N2 and other arterial roads. Many crops have been ruined, that could lead to possible food shortages.



This week, remember in your prayers:

- † The families who have lost loved ones in the storm.
- † Those whose homes have been flooded by the heavy rains and overflowing rivers.
- † The thousands who live in tents, shanties or sleep under cardboard at this time
- † The Red Cross, Gift of the Givers, churches, individuals and organisations helping the victims of the storm.
- † The farmers who have lost crops and face financial hardship as a result.

King John of Portugal, when he heard Diaz' report, changed the Cape's name to "Cabo da boa Esperanza", the Cape of Good Hope. We know our hope is in the Lord, and the restoration of our beautiful Cape and its people are in his hands.

***"MUCH, MUCH MORE in 2024"***

