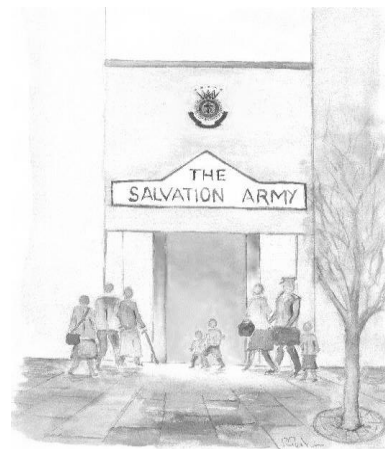


Monday 21st September		BIG COLLECTION
2.00pm	Ladies Fellowship (3 rd Monday – see Valerie Cuff)	
6.00pm	Rainbows	
6.30pm	Brownies	
7.45pm	Cell Group with Peter Belcher	
Tuesday 22nd September		BIG COLLECTION
9.30am	Parent & Toddlers	
6.45pm	YP Band Practice (Junior Band)	
7.00pm	Community Care Ministries Meeting (not Thursday)	
8.00pm	Senior Band Practice	
8.00pm	Prayer	
Wednesday 23rd September		BIG COLLECTION
9.30am	Baby Song	
3.30, 5.00 & 7.00pm	Slimming World	
8.00pm	Cell Group with Linda & Kelvin	
Thursday 24th September		BIG COLLECTION
12.00pm	Luncheon Club	
2.00pm	Senior Challenge	
6.45pm	Singing Company Practice (Junior Choir)	
8.00pm	Songster Practice (Senior Choir)	
Friday 25th September		BIG COLLECTION
9.30 & 11.30am	Slimming World	
6.00pm	Junior Club	
Saturday 26th September		BIG COLLECTION
10am-12pm	Coffee Morning	
Sunday 27th September		Back to Church Sunday
9.45am	Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers	
11.00am	Morning Worship – all age. See plan below.	
5.00pm	Special Worship to invite people Back to Church featuring our own Festival Chorus	

September: 11am & 5pm Worship Plans

Sunday 20 th September	Hand's Off – it's my fruit Fruit of the Spirit. Galatians 5: 16-26 1 Samuel 30 David & the Amalekites	3.30pm Praise in Page Park Preceded by a March of Witness
Sunday 27 th September <i>Back to Church</i>	Sour grapes Fruit of the Spirit – Galatians 5: 16-26 2 Samuel 16 David & Shimei –	Sunday Celebration A Special Event to invite people Back to Church



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20th September 2015

I love my garden. It is my oasis, I spend time there pottering around away from work and all my other commitments & worries. I'm not sure that I know what I'm doing, but this year, the garden seems to have blossomed more than any other year. Is it a special year or is it the result of my constant attention or perhaps the changing and milder climate? The garden has displayed such variety of colour and growth right from early spring to now – there are still plants that are growing & flowering even now. To compliment the floral displays, the garden is visited by all sorts of birds – all sizes, shapes and colours from the beautiful finches and robins to the annoying pigeons! All that I see, hear & smell in my garden, reminds me of the wonders and variety of God's Kingdom – everything has its place.

I see exactly the same when I look around the Staple Hill Salvation Army – a wonderful God-given variety of **Spiritual** gifts, **Hearts** full of passion, **Abilities**, **Personalities** and **Experiences**. A **SHAPE** that God has planned and given to each of us and as a fellowship. Maybe you're not sure what your **SHAPE** is and what God has made you to do.

I would once again, encourage you to join us on the Corps Retreat on Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th October for as much or as little as you can. A leaflet is now available with more information: if you've already signed-up or you're thinking about it or you can't come but you want to pray for the Retreat – please take one. It's still not too late to sign-up for the Retreat. Go on, join us!

Marc Willetts. Corps Sergeant Major (07808 730706)



Today: Praise in the Park. Sunday 20th September. We have attracted a great deal of interest on previous visits to the Park - I know that our enthusiasm and positivity will be used by God. Previous visits would suggest that more help is needed in setting up the Bandstand area and clearing away afterwards. Please help however you can.

The Big Collection: Although all our activities have resumed, we are still allowed to go door-to-door collecting. If you are still able to help, see Colin or Nicola. We still have the remainder of the year to reach our target of at least £5,000 – like the Table Top Sale on 10th October (see below).

You are invited to **Logos House** for a 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support. It will be held on Friday 25th September at 11am in the dining room. No minimum contribution just whatever anyone can afford. As well as supporting a worthy charity, you might also like to look round. Any cake donations would be appreciated. However, I hear some of the residents may well be baking too!

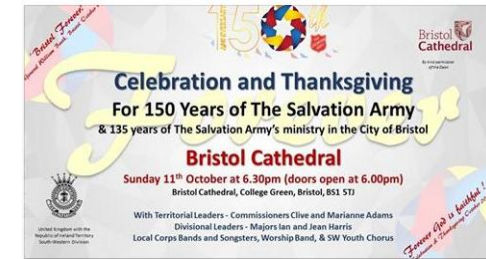
Back to Church Sundays. These are very specific opportunities when we can invite people back to Church who no longer attend. The first planned special opportunity comes on *Back to Church Sunday* on 27th September at 5pm which features **Festival Chorus** – a great choir of our own Youth & their friends. Inside this Bulletin is an invitation Card. Please give it to someone or deliver or post it to them. Think of the many people who used to attend – where are they now? Go on, invite them back!

Table Top Sale on Saturday 10th October 10am-12pm. Buy a table & keep the profits or have a free table with all proceeds going to the Big Collection. We are already advertising the event. At the moment, I have only 2 people interested and we need someone to organise the refreshments. Do you want to be involved? See me for further information as it evolves!

Opening & Dedication Ceremony. The new Bristol Citadel buildings will be opened by Territorial Leaders Commissioners Clive & Marianne Adams on Saturday 10th October. There will be a March of Witness at 2pm headed by a Massed Band of as many as possible, an Opening Ceremony at 2.30pm, Worship & Thanksgiving at 3pm with a Community Festival & Food at 4.30pm. Free admission tickets are required.

Sunday 11th October is **Harvest**. Following morning Worship, we will be sharing a Harvest Lunch together. More details to follow. Watch this space.

Celebration & Thanksgiving Service in Bristol Cathedral
Sunday 11th October at 6.30pm. A great occasion both for Salvationists & the greater Bristol community. To attend this special event, you need to order a ticket even though it is a free event. Tickets can be obtained on-line as the advert suggests or from Colin or Nicola. Our Senior Band is taking part, but we hope you will be there too.



OUR FELLOWSHIP

Valerie Baker says thank you to all who sent messages and cards following her stay in hospital this week in the BRI and then the Eye Hospital.

Valerie is now back home and beginning to feel better.

Pray for Emma-Louise Dyer & her family as she moves away to University.

Congratulations to Linda Hall who reaches her half century this week!

Congratulations & well done to Joe Saint who completed 2 half marathons in cycling & running, raising £321 for the charity "*Hounds for Heroes*"

For the last 2 months, I have inadvertently missed out the Gardening Club from the weekly calendar on the 2nd Monday of each month. Whilst it is an independently constituted group who use our buildings to meet, we are very grateful to Mavis Stone for her prayerful and practical support of the group. Like Mavis, please pray for the spiritual success of the group. And if you like gardening & are free on the second Monday morning of each month, why not join them!

Margaret Boxell is now working in the Reception Class of the brand new Lyde Green Primary School. The school is currently operating for a year at Downend School while the new school is built in Lyde Green itself. Consequently they have a very bare outdoor learning and play area and are not allowed to grow anything as the area will be returned to open-school space when they vacate next year. **Here's the request!** Does anyone have any unwanted garden pots (with or without plants) to donate to enable the children to grow and care for some plants? This would greatly enhance the children's learning environment and the pots would travel with them to their new school next year. If you can help, please see Margaret.