

Monday 15th May

- 2.00pm Ladies Fellowship (3rd Monday – see Valerie Cuff)
6.00pm Rainbows
6.30pm Brownies
7.45pm Cell Group at the Hall
8.00pm Mission Council Meeting

Tuesday 16th May

- 9.30am Parent & Toddlers
10.00am Cell Group with Pat & Arnold Tilling (1st & 3rd Tuesday)
6.45pm Young People's Band Practice
8.00pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 17th May

- 9.30am Baby Song
3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World
8.00pm Cell Group at the Hall with Linda & Kelvin

Thursday 18th May

- 10.30am "Meet & Greet"
12.30pm Lunch Club
2.00pm Friendship Club
6.45pm Singing Company Practice (Junior Choir)
7.15pm Membership Class with Kay Willetts & Myriam Selfe
8.00pm Songster Practice (Senior Choir)

Friday 19th May

- All Day Collecting Day at Staple Hill Tescos for Christian Aid
9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
6.00pm Friday Club

(Divisional Youth Band Practice at Gloucester)

Saturday 20th May

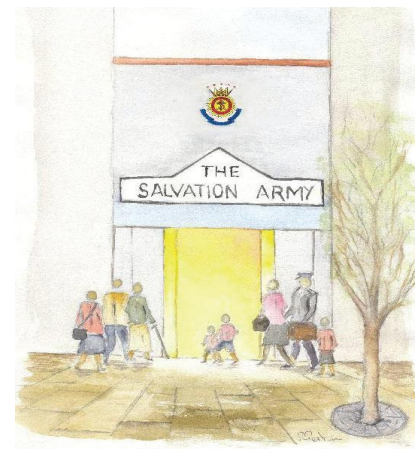
- 10am-12pm Kenya Trust Big Breakfast & Coffee Morning

Sunday 21st May

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
8.30am Band Outreach at Ashfield Prison with Colin
11.00am **Morning Worship** with Nicola
2.30pm Community Care Ministries Outreach at Deerhurst

At 5pm, you have 2 options for your blessings:

Word on the Fourth with Colin in our own Hall **OR** with our Young People's Band & Singing Company at Easton Salvation Army as they present musical worship with their own young people. **Enjoy either!**



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Sunday 14th May 2017

I'm sure you heard the recent news of a Scottish man who is "extremely lucky" to be alive after spending more than 32 hours at sea with only his surfboard. Matthew Bryce, 22, had told family members he was planning to surf at a beach off Argyll around 9am Sunday and hit the waves about 2.5 hours later. When he hadn't returned after several hours, family members alerted police. Coast guard rescue teams from several bases combed the shoreline and sea near the Argyll beach for hours. But just as hope and daylight were fading, a coast guard helicopter spotted Bryce with his bright orange surfboard some 13 miles off the coast, where a rip current had apparently carried him. Hypothermic but conscious, he was airlifted to a hospital in Northern Ireland where he's now recovering. A coast guard said Bryce's ability to stay with his surfboard helped save him.

In our Cell Group on Wednesday, we were considering Matthew 14:22-34 when the disciples were in the boat as Jesus walked across the water to them. Peter asked Jesus "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," Jesus said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when Peter saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

We're reminded that to walk on water, we have to get out of the boat. However, it often feels safer to stay in the boat or as Matthew Bryce did, on his surf board. We must do as God has planned and as he prompts us. Just by being obedient, we're already a success. As we step out of the boat or off the surf board and everywhere we look, we see the wind & the waves & have that incredible sinking feeling, don't worry! Look at Jesus – he won't let you go.

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TODAY Sunday 14th May A day of Reaching Out to share Jesus

9.45am	Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
10.00am	Band Outreach at Beaufort Court
10.30am	Band Outreach at Southmead Hospital
11.00am	Morning Worship with Colin & Nicola
3.00pm	March to Page Park
3.30pm	Page Park Praise
5.00pm	NO Worship at the Hall

Don't forget, we'll be **Reaching Out** by taking our **'Second Sunday Special'** out into Page Park this afternoon. We will be marching to the Park at 3pm, so we are sure people will see us, hear & be drawn by our music – if you want to join in, we'll be leaving the car park at the rear of the Hall at 3pm. There's also a practical part to the day – if you can help load at the Hall or set up at the Park, it would be great to see you at 2pm. Not forgetting that we've got to put it all away afterwards! Please pray for this major outreach. But please go with Gods promptings & use this opportunity to invite people you know.

OUTREACH BULLETIN: Reaching Out to share Jesus

This coming week is **Christian Aid Week**. As in previous years we will try to help. In addition to a display and collection in the foyer, we have a standing day in Tesco Staple Hill on Friday 19th. It would be appreciated if anyone can help with collecting. There's a sign-up sheet on the foyer noticeboard.



See **Pauline Perkins** for more information on the Table Top Sale to see how you can have a table & raise money for your charity or the Big Collection.

Mary and Margaret are climbing Snowdon on the 28th May in aid of their trip to the Vision of Hope Project in the Ukraine. If you would like to sponsor them, there is a sponsor form on the noticeboard in the foyer. Alternatively on-line donations can be made at: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Margaret-Boxell

MONTHLY PROGRAMME BULLETIN: MAY INTO JUNE

MAY Sunday 28 th Bank Holiday Weekend	11am: Worship with Colin & Nicola 5pm: NO Go Forth in Worship
JUNE Sunday 11 th	Page Park Praise (3.30pm)
JUNE Saturday 17 th	Big Collection Table Top Sale
JUNE Sunday 18 th	Father's Day and Big Lunch

MEMBERSHIP BULLETIN:

Kay & Myriam will be starting Membership Classes on Thursday evening at 7.15-8.30pm. If you're exploring Senior Soldiership, Adherency or any form of membership, then this is for you. Please see Kay or Myriam for more info.

FINANCE BULLETIN:

Paul Heath is to stand down as the Corps Treasurer after 14 years – not bad for a commission that says for 5 years!! Paul has seen us through some major projects, most notably the buildings refurbishment & subsequent large mortgage. Through Pauls astute financial management, that mortgage has been cleared and we are currently debt free. This means we are in a much better position to consider and plan for the future. We will not lose all Pauls expertise & experience as he is to remain as the leader of the Business Group. However, we are delighted that Gary Matthews is to be the new Corps Treasurer. Our thanks to Paul & our prayers & support are with Gary.

Those who give through standing orders set up with the Corps will need to change the instructions given to their bank. Each person now has an individual reference number which needs to be included on standing orders. If you have a standing order already set up, or if you wish to start a standing order (for any of your giving), please see Gary Matthews, Paul Heath or Marcia Grivelle to collect the pre-printed forms for existing standing order members, or to give your name if you wish to set one up.

'Give to Grow' Saturday 28th October to Sunday 5th November.

More details as the year unfolds, but put it in your diaries to be at Staple Hill.

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN: Reaching Wider to love each other

Christine & Michelle Kleinschmidt following Michelles recent car accident Roz Castle's mum Gweneth Jones is in Southmead Hospital Mary Batemans (Hall Cleaner) sister passed away suddenly this week

Remember Me: Irene Ackerman, Molly Angle, Ray & Mary Brown, Doreen Butland, Ruth & Tom Cable, Nancy Cryer, Brenda & Geoffrey Driscoll, Margaret Hatton, Light Jatto Joyce & Gwen Lear, David & Shirley Nokes, Roy Rodman, Valerie & Peter Scott, Francis & Ruth Shepherd, John & Olive Sheppard, Yvonne & Alan Tilling, Marion Richardson