

TODAY 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

2 options at 5pm: Word on the Third with Colin in our own Hall **OR** with our Young People's Band & Singing Company at Easton Salvation Army

Monday 22nd May

- 6.00pm Rainbows
6.30pm Brownies
7.45pm Cell Group at the Hall
8.00pm **Come And Meet Each Other** Craft Group

Tuesday 23rd May

- 2.30pm Community Care Ministries at Marion & Alan's home
9.30am Parent & Toddlers
6.45pm Young People's Band Practice
8.00pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 24th May

- 9.30am Baby Song
3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World
8.00pm **NO** Cell Group at the Hall with Linda & Kelvin

Thursday 25th 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 26th May

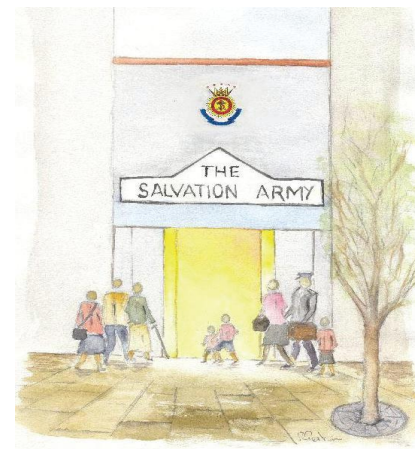
- 9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
6.00pm Friday Club

Saturday 27th May

- 10am-12pm Coffee Morning

Sunday 28th May

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
11.00am **Morning Worship** with Nicola
5.00pm **NO Go Forth in Worship - Bank Holiday Weekend**



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Sunday 21st May 2017

What a great afternoon we had at Page Park Praise last Sunday. The afternoon wasn't without problems – no electricity & it rained! However, we had a back-up generator & we carried on through the rain and the people stayed. But what a great number of people were there. From the second we arrived at just after 2pm and set up the gazebo, people were drawn to us. They were still there after most of you had gone home, still wanting what we had to offer. For that afternoon, they came into God's Kingdom at Page Park with you & me. Yesterday, was the first of our 'Coffee Morning Specials' – The Big Breakfast for the Kenya Trust. Whilst the Trust is special to us and we know the money will be used wisely to great effect, again what about all those people who came. They came for food. They came to support the Kenya Trust. But they came into God's Kingdom in our Hall with you & me.

How did all these people get there? How did they know? Did you invite them? *"Can you imagine if a farmer had not planted a crop and we found the farmer in a field at harvest-time, day after day, disappointed over the lack of harvest. If we are not reaping, have we sown? Have we made invitations? Have we had God-conversations? Have we nourished relationships to such an extent that we might have the possibility of a harvest? God says "If you plant the seed, I'll grow it." You really can't get a better deal than that. When it didn't look like anything was happening, it was! The seed must be planted with no immediate expectation of the harvest."* (Michael Harvey. Creating a Culture of Invitation in your Church)

Our job is to invite the people: posters, articles in the press, fliers, Facebook likes & shares, personal invites God will do the rest, in His time.

"Be patient, then, brothers & sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn & spring rains" (James 5:7)

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You may remember a while back when the Young People's Band and Singing Company from the Easton Salvation Army joined our own young people to present music in worship to us. Well our own young people will be returning to the Easton Salvation Army today. They will be rehearsing this afternoon and then playing and singing together in worship at 5pm. Michelle says: *"It is always encouraging to see young people from different corps sharing in worship together and we pray God's blessing on this meeting."*

KENYA TRUST BULLETIN:

Yesterdays Big Breakfast raised £548. Thank you to Hilton & Lilian for organising the event & their grateful thanks to everyone who helped.

BIG COLLECTION BULLETIN:



The Big Collection is no longer just a weeks 'door-to-door' collecting in September. We don't have the membership able or willing to knock on doors after work. It's now a year long project involving concerts, standing days, jam making, car boot sales – whatever you & I are willing to do to help those who cannot help themselves. Please don't leave it to somebody else – we can all play our part. The next organised event is the Table Top Sale – see **Pauline Perkins** for more information & see how you can have a table & raise money for your charity or the Big Collection.

FOOD BANK BULLETIN: Whilst we are not a formal Food Bank, we keep a supply of food that can be given to people who come to our doors in need. There are some items we are short of & would be grateful if you would be willing to donate them. Here is a list of the things we need: Tinned meats i.e. Ham, corned beef, curry, mince, steak & kidney, tinned pies, tinned potatoes, Baked Beans, tinned spaghetti, packet noodles, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, tea, coffee, biscuits & cereal. There will place a box for donations in the Foyer from next week. Thank you. Gerry

MEMBERSHIP BULLETIN: Kay & Myriam's Membership Class met for the first time on Thursday evening with 5 people - I gather they had a great time! It's still not too late to join if you're exploring Senior Soldiership, Adherency or any form of membership, then this is for you. Please see Kay or Myriam for more information. And great news, we are to have the enrolment of a new Senior Soldier on Sunday morning 11th June – don't miss it!!

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH BULLETIN:

We are blessed in the Staple Hill Salvation Army to have many committed and hard working leaders and helpers that run a variety of activities for our young people on a weekly basis. **Thank You** to all of you - we really appreciate all that you do. On Monday 12th June these Young People's Workers and the Mission Council, will be meeting to look at our Young People's Programme to enable us to more effectively plan for the future. Our Regional Children's Specialist (Richard Prescott) and our Divisional Youth Specialist (Jo Taylor) will be joining us to help us in this process. We would appreciate your prayers for these important discussions. Thank you. Nicola

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN: Reaching Wider to love each other

Today Major Les Pearce celebrates his 80th birthday – **Congratulations Les!**

Today would have been Major Shaun Skinners birthday. I & many of his friends from around the world are wearing grey today in his memory & for his work with BrainsTrust to highlight those suffering with Brain Tumours.

The flowers are shared with us today by Viv Wallington in memory of Allan.

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

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

PROGRAMME BULLETIN:

JUNE Sunday 11 th	Page Park Praise (3.30pm)
JUNE Monday 12 th	Meeting for all Children's & Youth Workers & the Mission Council with Richard Prescott & Jo Taylor
JUNE Saturday 17 th	Big Collection Table Top Sale
JUNE Sunday 18 th	Father's Day and Big Lunch
JUNE Saturday 24 th	Armed Forces Day
JUNE Sunday 25 th	Young People's Weekend
JULY Sunday 2 nd	C in the Park (Church in the Park)
JULY Sunday 9 th	Page Park Praise (3.30pm)

"Don't count every second, make every second count"