**TODAY SUNDAY 2nd JULY** No morning activities - *C* in the Park

5.00pm *Café One* at the Hall with Colin & Nicola

Monday 3rd July

6.00pm Rainbows 6.30pm Brownies

7.30pm Outreach Group Meeting7.45pm NO Cell Group at the Hall

Tuesday 4th July

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 5th July

9.30am Baby Song 3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World

8.00pm Cell Group at the home of Linda & Kelvin James

Thursday 6th July

10.30am "Meet & Greet" 12.30pm Lunch Club 2.00pm Friendship Club

6.45pm **NO** Singing Company Practice (Junior Choir)

7.15pm Membership Class with Kay Willetts & Myriam Selfe

8.00pm Songster Practice (Senior Choir)

Friday 7th July

9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World

6.00pm **NO** Friday Club – closed for the Summer.

Saturday 8th July

10am-12pm Coffee Morning

Sunday 9th July

9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers

11.00am *Morning Worship* with Colin & Nicola

3.30pm *Page Park Praise* – see inside

5.00pm **NO** *Second Sunday Special* at the Hall

Monday 10th July 8.00pm: Mission Council Meeting

**SPAM BULLETIN:** Please check your 'Spam' or 'Junk' folders in your email inboxes. For some reason, all our communications are being treated as 'junk' and until we fix the problem there is a chance you may miss vital information.



# The Weekly Bulletin of the Staple Hill Salvation Army

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### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2017

Kay & I have just returned from our cruise holiday to the Baltic countries of Norway, Denmark, Estonia, Russia & Finland with a stop-off in Belgium on the way home. We love to look around churches, admiring the architecture and decoration and discovering what the Churches are doing. Our holiday didn't start well as the churches in Oslo, Copenhagen & Tallinn were all closed! Once we reached St Petersburg in Russia, we had much better luck. We visited the Peter & Paul Cathedral, the Church of the Resurrection of Christ 'On Spilled Blood' as well as the Chapels in the Winter Palace & St Catherine's Palace. Whilst architecturally & decoratively stunning, they were full of so many tourists like ourselves, it resembled a cattle market more than a worshipping church! I loved the 2 churches we visited Helsinki: The Cathedral was my favourite as it was perfectly white & symmetrical, the Temmppiliaukio Church was intriguing as it was hewn out of rock. Although full of tourists, at 12pm, the Pastor called for quiet, explaining it was an active Church, she read from the bible, a piano played a hymn & she prayed. At our final stop in Brugge, we visited the quiet Beguianage Monastery complex. In their church, the Nuns had the following printed for everyone who visited:

We have everything in Christ (S. Ambrosius of Milan 340-397)

When fever is burning inside of you, HE is the refreshing source. When you are depressed because of your faults, HE is deliverance.

When you are need of help, HE is your strength.

When death scares you, HE is life.

When you reach for the heaven, HE is the way. When you try to escape darkness, HE is light.

When you are hungry, HE is the nourishment.

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#### **OUTREACH BULLETIN:** Reaching Out to Share Jesus

**Sunday Afternoon 9th July: Page Park Praise.** Next Sunday is the third in our series of Outreach opportunities at Page Park. We've had great numbers attend up to now, so we have every reason to expect God to send us more people next week. The plans are much the same as last time: 2pm: Loading Party at the Hall. 2.30pm: Everyone meet at Page Park to help set up – chairs & deckchairs, set up the Gazebo & children's activities. The Band will play in the Bandstand at 3pm to attract people to what we're doing. After Praise, we'll be able to chat to our visitors & help pack & put everything away.

#### **DISCIPLESHIP BULLETIN:** Reaching Deeper to Follow Jesus

**What is a Cell Group?** They go by different names - small groups, cell groups, care groups, discipleship groups, grace groups, breakout groups. Whatever they are called, the basic idea is the same: a small gathering of people interested in spiritual growth. Here's why small groups are important.

- 1. Small groups foster close relationships and integral community.
- **2.** Small groups provide a comfortable introduction for nonbelievers to the Christian faith.
- **3.** Small groups provide an ideal way to care for the needs of people within the church.
- **4.** Small groups provide a way for Christians to live out their faith instead of merely hearing more preaching or teaching.
- **5.** Small groups participate in focused prayer for one another.
- **6.** Small groups provide a comfortable atmosphere for openness.
- 7. Small groups allow for mutual edification among believers.
- 8. Small groups encourage better learning.
- 9. Small groups provide a source of encouragement and accountability.
- **10.** Small groups help to cultivate leadership within the church.

We have 4 Cell Groups: Monday evening every week at the Hall, Tuesday morning every other week at the Hall led by Pat & Arnold Tilling, Wednesday evening every other week at the home of Rachel Roberts led by Margaret Boxell & every Wednesday evening at the home of Linda & Kelvin James. Some of the Youth also meet for their Cell Group on a Sunday morning. They are available to everyone. Join which every group suits you best. If needs be, we'll start another group! For more information, see Linda James

**On Wednesday 12**<sup>th</sup> **July at 7.45pm,** all four Cell Groups will be meeting together at the Hall for fellowship, discussion & prayer with refreshments. You are all invited to join us – come along & see what we do.

#### FELLOWSHIP WALK & CREAM TEA BULLETIN:

On **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July**, you are invited to join us for a walk through the countryside of North East Somerset, followed by a Cream Tea at the Hall. If you are not able to join the walk, please feel free to come along to the Hall from 3pm just for the Cream Tea - a savoury option will be available.

The details of the walk:

- Anticipated walk time: Around two hours.
- Start time: 1.30pm
- Meeting Point: Manor Playing Field Keynsham BS31 1RG
- Parking: On street parking is available on Manor Road.
- Physical requirements: The walk won't be too strenuous but will be across fields, footpaths and byways
- Footwear: Sturdy shoes/trainers are advised.

Whilst there is no specific charge for the tea, donations will be invited to cover the costs and any profit will be given to the 'Big Collection' fund. Please add your name to the Sign-up sheet for either the walk, the cream tea or both.

## **FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN:** Reaching Wider to love each other Congratulations to Moses & Ashayi on the birth of a baby boy named Junior!

Annalise Thompson will be married on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July at the Bristol Citadel Salvation Army – you are welcome to join her for the ceremony.



Ray Brown & Mary, Ruth & Tom Cable, Roz Castle & her mum, Christine Kleinschmidt & her daughter Michelle, Gwen Lear, Anne & Rob Lear & her sister & brother-in-law, Dave Nokes & Shirley, Mike Roberts & Doreen, Alan & Yvonne Tilling, Malcolm & Gary White plus Mary & Louise, Gerry & Malcom Wiltshire & their family *plus .....* 

"Prayer shouldn't be your last resort, it should be your first response. Prayer takes the situation out of your hands and puts it into God's. Do you remember the 4 men who carried their sick friend and laid him at the feet of Jesus? (Mark 2:3-5). That's what you do when you pray for someone. It's not easy to pick up the weight of another person and carry them to God each day in prayer. But it's the most effective thing you can do for them". (UCB Word for Today 29 Jun 17)