

TODAY SUNDAY 11th MARCH 2018 MOTHER'S DAY

9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
11.00am **Sunday Worship** with Colin & Nicola
including enrolment of Nneka Hitchcock
5.00pm **Second Sunday Special** with Colin & Nicola

There will be opportunities for your Self-Denial Alter Service today

Monday 12th March

10.00am Green Fingers Gardening Club
with George Always *"Flowers for Summer"*
6.00pm Rainbows
8.00pm Mission Council Meeting

Tuesday 13th March

9.30am Parent & Toddlers
6.45pm Young People's Band Practice
8.00pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 14th March

9.30am Baby Song
3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World
7.45pm Cell Group at the Hall with Gerry & Malcolm
8.00pm Cell Group with Linda & Kelvin

Thursday 15th March

10.30am *"Meet & Greet"*
12.30pm Lunch Club
2.00pm Friendship Club
6.45pm Singing Company Practice
7.00pm Staple Hill Regeneration Partnership – see inside
8.00pm Songster Practice (Senior Choir)

Friday 16th March

9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
6.00pm Friday Club

Saturday 17th March

10am-12pm Coffee Morning
7.00pm Band League Concert – see inside

Sunday 18th March

9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
11.00am **Sunday Worship** with Colin & Nicola
5.00pm **Word on the Third** with Colin & Nicola – see inside



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STAPLE HILL

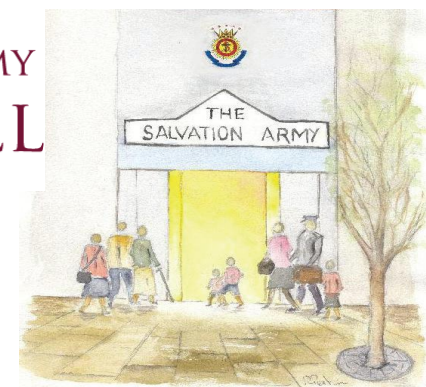
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The Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 11th March 2018

Are you enthusiastic? Kay & I have had a great week off work. On Monday & Tuesday, we travelled to Old Windsor to visit Malcolm & Fiona Janes. As many of you know, Malcolm is unwell & undergoing treatment. It was great to spend time with them. They have recently been on a holiday to America which Kay & I are doing later in the year. Malcolm was very keen to pass on his experiences of their holiday, where we should visit & what we should do. His enthusiasm was infectious & we can't wait for our holiday in October!

On Wednesday, we had our granddaughter Robyn for the day. It was good to go to Baby Song with her & see Colin in action – how does he remember the names of over 30 children & sing about them?! As I watched, I enthused about the potential for Karen as the new 'Children's & Family Worker' to develop the great work that has already been done.

On Thursday & Friday, we travelled the opposite direction to Plymouth to spend time with Barry & Brenda Bray. With their knowledge of you all, it was helpful to share with them about the recent retreat & how we were being encouraged to share our faith through friendship at home, work & play. As we shared, we both realised how many times we have already done that in recent weeks & months – my enthusiasm was sparked again!

Today is Mother's Day when we thank God for our mothers and the example & influence they have had, that they still & will continue to have on our lives. It's also a very special day for Nneka Hitchcock when she enters into a covenant with God showing publically her desire to be a senior member of this church, stating what she believes & what she will do, no different to any of us who have already entered into this covenant. **On days like today, how can you not be enthusiastic to be part of God's Kingdom at Staple Hill.**

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FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN: staplehillprayers@gmail.com

The Prayer Fellowship continues to support our fellowship & others in need of prayer. It is a growing fellowship which you can be part of.

Continue to remember Ed Bowen, Bob Perkins, Jill Welling & David Nee.

The funeral arrangements for Maureen Bowen are still unconfirmed.

Betty Wilkins has just passed away. Betty was the sister of Mary Wallington & used to attend a number of years ago. Family & friends had only just attended her husband Geoff's funeral. A sad time for family & friends.

ANNUAL STATISTICS BULLETIN: Please continue to send your statistics to Andy Sims at handasims@yahoo.co.uk week by week. Numbers need to be recorded as anyone aged 15 and under and those 16 and over.

BIG COLLECTION BULLETIN:

Thank you to the 22 people who collected over the 2 days at Yate Tesco's. They collected an impressive **£1,709.14** towards the Big Collection. This was only possible with everyone pulling together to get the job done. Thank you to each of them. Who knows what opportunities God may have also given for them to move people on their spiritual clock?

REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP BULLETIN: The next meeting of the Staple Hill Regeneration Partnership will be in the Bradbury Hall on Thursday 15 March at 7pm. Winsome Barrett-Muir who is the Community Development Coordinator for South Gloucestershire Dementia Action Alliance will tell the meeting what their plans are for Staple Hill and how groups can help. In addition, they will be discussion about an application the Partnership is making for funding from the Peoples Health Trust. This funding is available for projects in areas which are designated as deprived and which include part of Staple Hill which is the most deprived neighbourhood in South Gloucestershire. You are all very welcome to attend.

CONCERT BULLETIN:

Band League Concert 17th March

This year's concert has an Irish English flavour after the rugby during the afternoon. Tickets priced £5 from Brian Usher or Chris Painter. If you are inviting somebody new, then that ticket is FREE!

Can you think of someone to invite?



Staple Hill Band
of The Salvation Army
Presents
St. Patrick's Day
Band League Festival
Featuring Music from
England & Ireland
Saturday 17th March | 7pm
Tickets £5
(Under 16s Free)
Call Brian on 0117 976 1535
Or Chris on 07841 511450
The Salvation Army is a Christian
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WORD ON THE THIRD BULLETIN:

Further to our recent StayTreat, & as promised by Colin & Nicola, the next Word on the Third (Sunday 18th March at 5pm) is going to focus on the 'Commonly asked Questions' we may be asked about our faith. We're going to 'kick off' with **'Why does God allow suffering'** We'll also have a chance to celebrate some of the successes of 'planting the seed.' See you all there!

DISCIPLESHIP BULLETIN: Memberships Classes

If you want to know more about membership, then you are invited to come along on **Thursday 22nd March at 7.15pm** to discover more. We will be hosting a short session approximately 60 minutes long, getting together with the essential coffee and biscuits so we can talk with you and give you an insight into how this Army and some form of its membership may be for you. This is a no obligation and informal time. However, if you are not comfortable in a group setting, we can arrange a private visit in your home or at the hall. For further information, please do not hesitate to speak to Kay or Myriam.

EASTER BULLETIN: 'Journey to Calvary'

Following on from our Christmas journey, we're off again this Easter!

Sunday 25th March:

'The Journey from Bethlehem'

11am: Palm Sunday Worship

4-5.30pm Easter Family Crafts



Monday 26th March: 'A Night at the Cinema'

We'll be going to see 'Mary Magdalene' at the Vue Cinema at Longwell Green. We expect to get tickets at under £5 although we're unsure of the start time at the moment. We will know soon, but we would like you to sign up on the list in the Foyer if you are interested in attending with us.

Tuesday 27th March:

'A Walk through Holy Week' 11am-3pm & 6-9pm
Pop in when you can, for as long as you can.

Thursday 29th March:

'Calvary Track' A reflective look at the journey Jesus made to the cross

Friday 30th March:

10am: **'Music & Hot Cross Buns'** in the Square
11am: Good Friday Service

Sunday 1st April:

9am: Easter Breakfast (sign up in the Foyer)
11am: Easter Worship
12.30pm: An Easter March