

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July

9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers  
11.00am **Sunday Worship** including the dedication of Junior  
5.00pm **Word on the Third on the Second!**

## Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July

10.00am Gardening Club Outing  
6.00pm Rainbows – **last session before the summer break**  
8.00pm Mission Council Meeting with the Divisional Commander

## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am Parent & Toddlers – **last session before the summer break**  
6.45pm Young People's Band Practice  
8.00pm Senior Band Practice

## Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am Baby Song – **last session before the summer break**  
3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World  
7.45pm Cell Group at the Hall with Gerry & Malcolm Wiltshire  
8.00pm Cell Group with Linda & Kelvin James

## Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July

10.30am "Meet & Greet"  
12.30pm Lunch Club  
2.00pm Friendship Club  
6.45pm Singing Company Practice  
8.00pm Songster Practice (Senior Choir)

## Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July

9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World  
6.00pm Friday Club – **last session before the summer break**

## Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July

10am-12pm Coffee Morning

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July

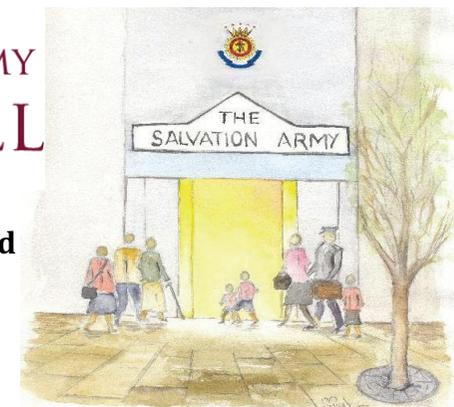
9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers  
- **last sessions before the summer break**  
11.00am **Sunday Worship** led by the Divisional Commander  
Majors Ian & Jean Harris  
3.30pm **Page Park Praise** – see inside  
5.00pm **NO Worship or Meetings at the Hall**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 8.00pm: Extra Mission Council Meeting



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### The Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018

As I attempt to read the bible on one year (BIOY) with Nicky & Pippa Gumbel, I read the following on 1<sup>st</sup> July - an on-line survey suggesting the following are the qualities people expect from the 'perfect' pastor:

1. They preach for exactly 12 minutes
2. They are 28 years old but have preached 30 years
3. They work from 8am until midnight every day, but are also the caretaker
4. They frequently condemn sin, but never upset anyone
5. They wear good clothes, buy good books, drive a good car, give generously to the poor & have a low salary
6. They make 15 daily calls to parish families, visit the housebound & the hospitalised, spend all their time evangelising the un-churched & are always in the office when they are needed
7. They are also good looking!

We all know there is no such thing as the 'perfect pastor' or in our case the 'perfect officer'. However, I am sure that as Psalm 78:72 suggests, Colin & Nicola '*shepherd us with integrity of heart; with skilful hands they lead us*'.

David was a shepherd in the literal sense. God took him from the sheep pens tending the sheep. David used the following shepherding skills as he became the leader and pastor of God's people: Integrity of heart, skilful hands, love, service, sensitivity, compassion & prayer. Like David, these are characteristics constantly displayed by Colin & Nicola. May we never take them for granted and support them with our prayers & practical support as they pastor us & guide us to fulfil God's plan for each of us.

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