



# Staple Hill

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### *More Time*

British Summer Time has finally drawn to a close this weekend, with the clocks turning back an hour and the evenings becoming even darker. Leaves are now tumbling off the trees in colourful swathes and the long, hot days of summer seem to be just a distant memory. Time has marched on relentlessly despite all the recent troubles!

Whilst the whole world has been held in stasis for many months, I actually find it is quite reassuring to see the turning of the seasons – it reminds me that the world is still held within the hands of God, under His control. Even though we have all been distracted over and over again by corona virus over the past year, God's Word advises us to continue to use every moment of our time wisely and productively. So as the nights draw in and the rain beats against the windows as autumn moves towards winter, we should not waste our time such that we look back with any regrets. And lucky for us, we get an extra hour today to do something good for Him!

*Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.*  
[Galatians 6:9](#)

*Paul Heath*

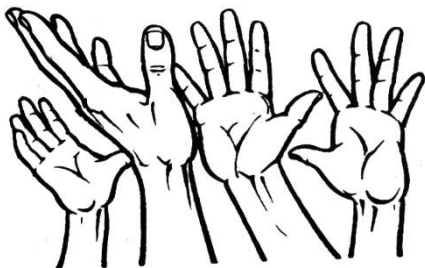
## FLOWERS:

The flowers at our hall today would, in more normal times, be given by Michelle and Sheila in memory of Gordon.

## PRAYER DIARY:

This week, please pray for the following:

25 <sup>th</sup>	Bethany D; Elsie & Mike D; Bev W; Doris P; Geoff P; Glynn E; Beth E; Emma, Sam, Noah & Riley R
26 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah & Tim B; Morag F; Esther K; Lynette P; Sophie & Kathleen C; Mary Br; Debra & Mark H; Sue M
27 <sup>th</sup>	Derek & Margaret B; Yolanda, Jeovany & Maria K; Catherine R; Gary, Joanne, Jacob & Emily R; Nneka H
28 <sup>th</sup>	Jon & Peri H; Joyce L; Doreen R; Sheila F; Paul & Heather C; Paul, Tracey, Victoria & Olivia H
29 <sup>th</sup>	Staple Hill Corps
30 <sup>th</sup>	Staple Hill Community
1 <sup>st</sup>	Paul & Roz C; Peter H; Bill & Freda M; Elaine & Peter R; Margaret S



## PRAYER NETWORK:

This week, we have been praying for:

- Cliff (Isle of Wight) in Hospital suffering from Covid 19, also his family
- Emily (Granddaughter of Alan and Marion) a student at Glasgow University who is very unsettled and unhappy at the moment

If you have a situation that you would like use to pray for, then please drop us an email on [staplehillprayers@gmail.com](mailto:staplehillprayers@gmail.com). However, please can you make sure any requests are both specific and succinct - no more than a couple of sentences – so that we can ensure the request can be circulated as quickly as possible.

## ACROSS OUR FELLOWSHIP:

- It was Thomas' 18th birthday on Thursday, so belated birthday greetings - we hope you had a lovely day.
- Charlie is still in hospital, but I [Colin] was able to pop in to see him this week, which was good. Despite the on-going deterioration of his eyesight and his hearing, he was still thankful to God for His goodness and provision - it was very humbling. It's his birthday on Monday and he will be 96 – so if you want to send him a card you can drop it into the hall or send it via the quarters and I will ensure that he gets it.
- Joyce, Steve's mum, has been moved into respite care following her fall and stay in the BRI, please remember Joyce, Bram and Steve in your prayers.
- We think of Simon who is recovering from a stroke. Please pray for him, Dawn and the family at this time.
- We're away this week, so please continue to support each other with a phone call, card or knock on the door.

## NEW CORPS DIRECTORY:

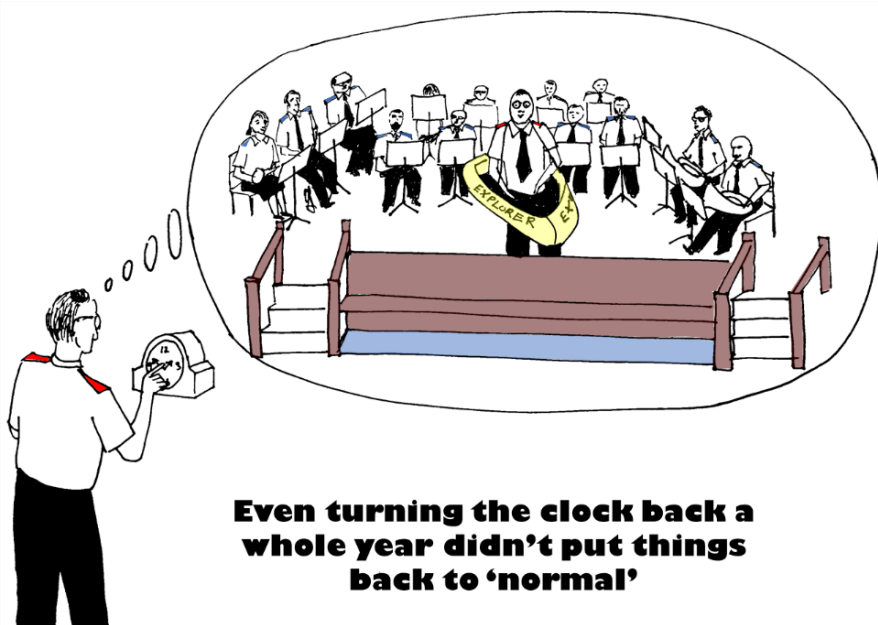
If you haven't done so already, please can you complete the 'contact details' form required to allow us to compile the new corps telephone directory. With new GDPR regulations, we are carefully governed as to how we use your data, in this case, all your contact details. We want to make the directory accurate but also we need your permission to include your information – even if nothing has changed since the last issue, so it is essential that you complete the form.



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The deadline for completing the forms is **7th November**.



**Even turning the clock back a whole year didn't put things back to 'normal'**

## THE WEEK AHEAD:

All activities within our buildings continue to be suspended until it is deemed safe, but the following activities continue:

**Note:** There are no extra slice groups this week

### **TODAY Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

from 10am Lighthouse Club Session available online (ages 7-11)  
10am Youth Group meets online (ages 11+)  
from 11am Sunday Worship – online  
led by our Youth Group

### **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

11am - 12pm Food Parcels available at Hall

### **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October**

11am - 12pm Food Parcels available at Hall

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

from 10am Lighthouse Club Session available online (ages 7-11)  
10am Youth Group meets online (ages 11+)  
from 11am Sunday Worship – online  
'Salt and Light' [Matthew 5:13-16](#)

Please look out for the bulletin next week as it will include lots of details about our Christmas community work