



Staple Hill

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During the past week, I have heard of the Promotion to Glory of a dear old man who, for more years than you could possibly imagine, served as Young People's Sergeant Major (YPSM) at Street corps; the number of children he helped to shape and influence over the decades, myself included, are beyond counting.

Whenever I think of Graham, I am reminded of the hymn tune 'Song of the highway' [see SASB 597], which seemed to be a favourite of his and one that he chose to use almost every week during Sunday School worship (but from the perspective of a 10 year-old cornet player, went on and on for ever!). That song talks about the pilgrim journey, and a very personal journey at that, through the joy, the battles and the triumphs of a life dedicated wholly to Jesus. Graham epitomised the song in every respect (see chorus below) – a true Christian to the end of his days. Even though frail in body for many years, his mind remained sharp. During my recuperation from heart surgery, Graham frequently phoned to see how I was and to assure me of his continuing prayers – and I must have been just one of hundreds that he continued to pray for. A faithful servant who gave his all fully to God.

*All I have I give thee, though my powers are small,
Life and time and talents, Jesus, take them all.*

Paul Heath

PRAYER DIARY:

This week, please pray for the following:

16 th	Margaret B; Hannah, Nick & Arthur; Garry & Gill J; Bob & Pauline P; Josh D; Robert H
17 th	Ed Bowen, Becky G; Joe S; Martin, Amy S & family; Sharon D; Iris & Ivan D; Brian & Vera R
18 th	Derek & Liz B; Gwen L; Joan W; David, Rachel, Charlotte, Georgina, & Harriet N
19 th	Helen, Michael, Gracey, Isabella, Joseph, Leonie & Thomas L&W; Clive & Pauline E; Jill Wh
20 th	Tom C; Olive M; Loraine B; Haydn & Trudi B; Hannah & Katie
21 st	Molly A; Ashayi. Moses, Junior & Eli C; Brenda H; Peter & Valerie S; David & Doreen S
22 nd	Laura & Neil B; Mark C; Aiden N; Charlie T; Daisy U; Brian & Pat U; David T; Jeanette N

PRAYER NETWORK:

We have thought about the following people during our prayer time during this week:

1. Mark who is seriously ill in Southmead with Covid 19, also his family
2. Darren who has Covid 19, also pray that his family don't get it
3. Vicky and family who have all tested positive with Covid 19
4. Gwen Lear in need of our prayers

If you have a situation that you would like use to pray for, then please drop us an email (a couple of sentences only, please) on staplehillprayers@gmail.com.

FLOWERS:

The flowers this week that would have graced our altar table would have been from Bob for Pauline.

ACROSS OUR FELLOWSHIP:

- This week, all being well, both Arnold and Elsie will be going into hospital for planned treatments. Our thought and prayers are with them both.
- There are a number of people who are poorly including Brian and Mary W. We also remember those in our fellowship who are working within a health care setting, that they will remain safe.
- During this past week, both Doris and Geoff Pearce have celebrated their birthdays. We hope you had a good time despite the lockdown!
- Please remain in contact with each other - if you haven't heard or seen someone recently, then why not give them a ring.

CHRISTMAS CARD

Would you like to take part in a group Christmas Card to 'The Church'? We are going to print one in which we can include a message from you. If you do want to take part, then please send me (Colin) a 20-25 word greeting either by email, post or drop it into the hall if you are out for your daily walk (there is also an option to complete it electronically if you are reading this on-line).

Also, we need a design or picture for the card. If any of the children would like to submit a picture, then send it in and we'll chose the one that fits the best.

We need all submissions - messages and pictures - by 30th November to give us chance to collate and send the card out mid-December.



CHRISTMAS TOY & FOOD PARCELS / CHRISTMAS DAY:

TOY & FOOD HAMPERS

- Angel Tags are now available, either to pick up from the front entrance, or phone/email Nicola and she will give you the details.
- Deadline for gift donations **Monday 7th December** (brand new and unwrapped).



CHRISTMAS DAY

- We are offering to deliver a hot dinner and other goodies to people's homes at lunchtime on Christmas Day. We will need people to make these deliveries, but are only able to use volunteers that we know for this so please offer even if it's not something you usually do.

CHRISTMAS RECEPTION


In order to receive the numerous donations and answer other enquiries we will open our Christmas Reception at the front entrance:

- From now until Thursday 19th November:
 - Tuesdays and Thursdays 11am - 12 noon
- From Monday 23rd November - Thursday 24th December:
 - Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 10am - 12 noon

Please get in touch with Nicola about any of the above on 0117 956 9733 or nicola.hylton-jones@salvationarmy.org.uk

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

- Online Territorial Carol Concert - Wednesday 2nd December 8pm. Enjoy Christmas At Home with The Salvation Army on YouTube with highlights from previous years' concerts, alongside new pieces and celebrity readings.
- DHQ have announced the following dates (with no guarantees that the government or Salvation Army safety guidelines will allow for these camps).
 - Junior Adventure Camp: 2nd – 6th August 2021
 - Summer Camp: 7th – 13th August 2021





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**Stuck at home again due to
Lockdown 2.0?**

**Got 30 minutes to spare on a
Sunday at 12pm?**

**Why not give the Coffee Time
Zoom another go?**

See your friends Small group
Get to know chat
others better



Every Sunday at 12pm
Meeting ID: 884 8760 0728
Password: 597589

Scan the QR
Code above to
Donate to the
work of
Staple Hill
Salvation Army

THE WEEK AHEAD:

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

TODAY Sunday 15th November

- from 10am Lighthouse Club Session available online (ages 7-11)
- 10am Youth Group meets online (ages 11+)
- from 11am Sunday Worship – online
'Moses and the Burning Bush' [Exodus 3:1-6](#)

Monday 16th November

- 8pm Mission Council - online

Tuesday 17th November

- 11am - 12pm Food Parcels available at Hall
- 11am - 12pm Christmas Reception

Wednesday 18th November

- 2pm Extra Slice Group online
- 3.30pm Extra Slice Group online
- 7pm Extra Slice Group online
- 8.15pm Extra Slice Group online

Thursday 19th November

- 11am - 12pm Food Parcels available at Hall
- 11am - 12pm Christmas Reception
- 8.15pm Extra Slice Group online

Sunday 22nd November

- from 10am Lighthouse Club Session available online (ages 7-11)
- 10am Youth Group meets online (ages 11+)
- from 11am Sunday Worship – online
'Do not Worry' [Matthew 6:25-34](#)