



# Staple Hill

## Local ... Lively ... Loving

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### *Returning to Normal*

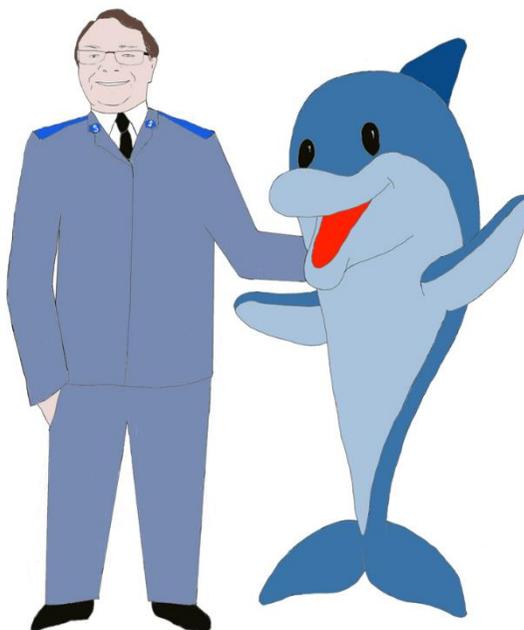
It has been great over the past few weeks to see activities re-start within our hall. It is a feeling that some degree of 'normal' is returning at long last. We can worship together, share fellowship together, and even play together. Let's hope and pray that this steady return to the things we love and cherish can continue unabated.

However, things will never be totally 'normal' again. Our way of living has changed ... we are no longer the same people as we were 18 months ago. Many of us have been touched by loss and grief, some have changed jobs, moved homes, welcomed new family members. Our expectations have changed and our outlook challenged by our experiences. Even the society in which we live has moved on. So 'normal' can never be the same as it was. Even though our faith remains resolute and founded on the constancy of God, we must now embrace a new and different future that God is giving us ... whatever that may be.

*Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. [Isaiah 43:18-19](#)*

## **WEEKLY PAPER DELIVERIES:**

Next weekend will be the final weekly mailing for the War Cry and Salvationist. After this time, they will be available for collection from the hall for those who have confirmed that they wish to continue to receive them.



### **Standing by a Porpoise True**

Salvation Army Song Book No 521 v 1

## **FLOWERS:**

The flowers at the hall today have been provided by Kay for Daisy's birthday.

## **80 PEOPLE JOINED US LAST SUNDAY!**

This Sunday is the 6<sup>th</sup> week that we have been meeting in-person on a Sunday morning and it has been brilliant to meet together to worship. It has been good to see more people attend each week, and last week the children and youth groups met for the first time at the Park. If we include both sittings of worship and the young people at the park, we had 80 people joining in last Sunday - which is amazing. If you're still unsure about joining us at the building, I [Nicola] would like to assure you that it is as safe as anywhere else - in fact safer than many other public places, so why not give it a go? Any questions please ask.

## **JUBILEE DEBT CAMPAIGN:**

You will be aware that this week in Cornwall the G7 are meeting. The G7 consists of some of the richest countries in the world, including our own. Whilst I appreciate that we may not feel rich, there are many millions of people throughout the world who are living in poverty. One of the factors that contributes to the poverty within many developing countries is the repayment of historical debt, for which the interest on the loan has far outgrown the amount that was initially borrowed, thus exacerbating the poverty of the people in those countries.

The Jubilee Debt Campaign is based on the Old Testament concept ([Leviticus 25](#)) whereby historical debt is cleared. Throughout his life, Alan Richardson supported this campaign, and whilst he is sadly not able to remind us of the importance of this matter, I [Colin], felt that we should bring the matter to your attention this week. If you are attending in-person worship this week, there will be printed information which you can take away. For those of you who are not able to join us, you can find out more information on: [www.jubileedebt.org.uk](http://www.jubileedebt.org.uk) If you are able, please read, pray and respond to the campaign as you feel led. Thank you.

## **PRAYER DIARY:**

We invite you to pray for the following members of our fellowship during the coming week:

14 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret & Peter B; Adam D; Gerry W; Alan & Francine J; Rex & Jen H; Rita B
15 <sup>th</sup>	Aimee B; Brenda D; Matt, Ruth, Isabella & Amara A; Louise P & Natalie
16 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Be; Hannah, Nick & Arthur F-B; Garry J; Bob & Pauline P; Josh D; Robert Hi
17 <sup>th</sup>	Becky G; Joe S, Martin & Amy S & Family; Sharon D; Iris & Ivan D; Bryan & Vera R
18 <sup>th</sup>	Derek & Liz B; Gwen L; Joan W; David, Rachel, Charlotte, Georgina & Harriet N
19 <sup>th</sup>	Helen & Michael L, Gracey, Isabella, Joseph, Thomas & Leonie; Clive & Pauline E
20 <sup>th</sup>	Tom C; Olive M; Loraine B; Haydn & Trudi B; Victoria H; Jill Wh; Carys H

## **AROUND OUR FELLOWSHIP:**

- We were sad to learn that Margaret Kinsey had been Promoted to Glory last weekend. I have spoken with one of Margaret's daughters this week and the funeral is planned for Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> June at Badminton Road Methodist Church.
- We were also sad to learn that Liz Church (Paul and Liz have recently moved to the area and have joined our fellowship), was bereaved of her father. Our thoughts and prayers are with Liz and her family, including Karen and Natalie.
- There are a number of people in or attached to our fellowship who are poorly or living with serious health conditions. These include Charmaine, Clive, Joyce, Beryl, Moira and Barbara – please pray and support our friends at this time.

## PRAYER NETWORK:

Our prayers this week have been focussed on the following situations:

- Margaret asked us to pray for the youngsters of the Corps and leaders as they began meeting together again
- Margaret Kinsey was Promoted to Glory - we have been remembering the family at this time
- Beryl Gardner had a knee replacement this week - the operation went well
- Barbara Dixon who had a fall in the Square on Tuesday
- Majors Paul and Liz Church as Liz's father has passed away
- Charmaine who is far from well
- Praying for Becci, Jack and Charlie as they said their final goodbyes to Phil on Friday (husband and dad)

*The Moral and Social Issues Council presents...*



## welcoming the stranger

THE ETHICS OF MIGRATION



**Host:** Lieut-Colonel Dean Pallant

**Panel:** Dr Lucy Kanya | Rev Israel Oluwole Olofinjana | Nicola Thomas | Representatives from Sutton Salvation Army

**With stories from:** Captains Dáfnie de Castro e Lemos and Josh Selfe (Keighley) | Major Nick Coke (THQ) | Victor Mondal (Bangladesh)

Wednesday 16 June | 7.30pm | Webinar

Register: [salvationarmy.org.uk/welcomingthestranger](https://salvationarmy.org.uk/welcomingthestranger)

## WORSHIP NEXT WEEK:

If you want to attend worship in the building on Sunday next week:



**Book-in:** Use the online link on the covering e-mail with this bulletin, or ring [0117 956 5232](tel:01179565232) *by 12 noon on Saturday*

**Time:** Choose either 10am or 11.30am (each meeting will last no longer than 45 minutes)

### Book-in Details:

We need your name, how many of your household are coming with you, your phone number and email address

### Things to know:

- Please wear a facemask unless you are exempt
- Unfortunately singing is not allowed at present
- Social distancing, extra cleaning & ventilation will help to keep you safe
- Come as you are – no need to wear uniform, unless you want to!
- Windows will be open, so it may be cold!
- Please do not use the back door – only the front entrance on Broad Street

Please get in touch if you have any questions.  
We look forward to seeing you.



## THE WEEK AHEAD:

### TODAY Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June

11:15–12:30pm Children and Youth under 18's meeting - in the hall

10am           Worship – in the building

from 10am   Worship – online

11:30am      Worship – in the building

[Haggai 2: 1-9](#)

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June

11am - 12pm Food Parcels available at Hall

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May

2pm           ~~Extra Slice Group online~~ – MEETING ON THURSDAY

3.30pm       Extra Slice Group online

7pm           Extra Slice Group online

8.15pm       Extra Slice Group online

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June

11am-12pm Food Parcels available at Hall

2pm           Extra Slice Group online – THIS WEEK ONLY

8.15pm       Extra Slice Group online

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June

11:15–12:30pm Children and Youth under 18's meeting – in the hall

10am           Worship – in the building

from 10am   Worship – online

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Fathers' Day