



Staple Hill

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What do you collect?

Stamps, badges, magazines, key rings, model cars? I've been sorting out a drawer and have come across a number of things I'd forgotten about, including a bag of desk rulers. They have each been bought at some holiday or function: Kings and Queens of England; World War 1 history; the keyboard for a piano; The Salvation Army International Congress 'Boundless' 150th anniversary ... and many others with very interesting features!

I would say anything we make or buy has to be measured. But my question is – how do we measure our lives? Not with feet or inches or 'modern' metric. We cannot measure our life span. We can measure our height, weight, hearing and eyesight. But what about our faith? Only God knows how much we love Him. His love is unmeasurable. It is always available. It is infinite and always reliable.

God's love is as wide as creation,
God's love is as boundless and free,
God's love, it can never be measured.
God's love is sufficient for me.
Salvation Army Song Book No 24

Is it for you?

Doris Pearce

PRAYER DIARY:

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

9 th	Linda & Rob H; Ian & Rachel R; Myriam, Steve & Noah S; John & Olive S; Margaret S
10 th	Gary M; Roy R; Jason R; Holly, Chris, Dylan, Oscar & Charlie S; Christine K
11 th	Rita A; Wesley C; Keith, Mary, Victoria & Sophia H; Jay & Lydia M
12 th	Michael & Valerie B; Shirley N; Arnold & Pat T; Sheila T; David & Doreen S
13 th	Janet B; David Ja; Valerie & Martyn P; Marion W; Jill W; Hazel & Tim S; Josie K
14 th	Margaret & Peter B; Adam D; Gerry W; Alan & Francine J; Rex & Jen H; Rita B
15 th	Aimee B; Brenda D; Matt, Ruth, Isabella & Amara A; Louise P & Natalie

AUGUST MESSAGE:

Enjoying our 'Pause for Thought and Prayer' mailings? They will continue each weekday throughout August on email and via facebook.

Throughout August

Take time this month to rest, read and pray.
Find a place where you are able to relax, for a short time, without distractions.

Read the scripture, take note of who it is written to and what it is saying and what is happening, reflect on how it applies to you, and pray.

All readings taken from Alive to God Daily readings and prayers

What The Bible says about prayer...
Matthew 7:7-8
Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

Daily Bible Verse: *Matthew 10:30*
'When they call on Me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honour them.'

Thought for the day:
- The Lord promises to answer your cry for help, each time you call.
- He also tells us that we will find and feel His presence with us, in trouble.
- He also undertakes to rescue and lift us up.
- So be confident in the Lord your God.

A Prayer:
Lord, thank You that I can call on You and You will answer me. Thank You that You will be with me no matter what I go through, and thank You that You will rescue and deliver me along the way. Amen.

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ANNUAL CAR BOOT SALE:

We had planned to do our annual Car Boot Sale for The Big Collection next weekend. However, we are erring on the side of caution and we have decided to postpone the excitement for a month or so. The infection numbers for Covid in Bristol & South Gloucestershire are still quite high and we do not want to place ourselves at unnecessary risk amongst potentially high numbers of people whom we do not know. Hopefully by the end of September we will feel more confident to get stuck in!

Thank you to those who have already donated your goods which are now stored in my garage. If you offered items for sale & you are expecting me to collect them, can you please hang on to them for a few more weeks? If you really need to move them on, let me know & I will come and collect them if I think I can store them or please donate them on to another charity.

Thank you for your understanding.

Marc Willetts for Marc, Kay, Mark & Michelle

GET TOGETHER PICNIC:

After such a long time apart, we thought it would be great to have the opportunity to meet and mingle. With this in mind, we would like to invite everyone to a Picnic on Sunday 15th August at 12.30pm in Page Park. Please bring your own food and chairs, and we'll meet in the Park after worship. See you there!

FLOWERS:

The flowers on the altar table on Sunday 15th will be provided by Bob and Pauline for Bill and Freda's Blue Sapphire wedding anniversary (65 years).

BOUNCING FORWARD – OUR NEW ‘REACH OUT’ PROGRAMME:

As we continue to bounce forward and plan for the future, we have a couple of opportunities for anyone to get involved. We're looking for people who are interested in helping out in all sorts of ways. We will be thinking about what we can do as a church to reduce isolation, encourage interaction and ultimately introduce people in the local community to Jesus. Even if you have never helped before, even if you were helping with something else previously but feel like you want a change, even if you're unsure how you can help but feel passionate about this kind of thing - we need your ideas and input so please come along.

Thursday 12th August at 10.30am in the building:

A meeting to talk about how we can work with older people in our community

Thursday 19th August at 6.30pm in the building:

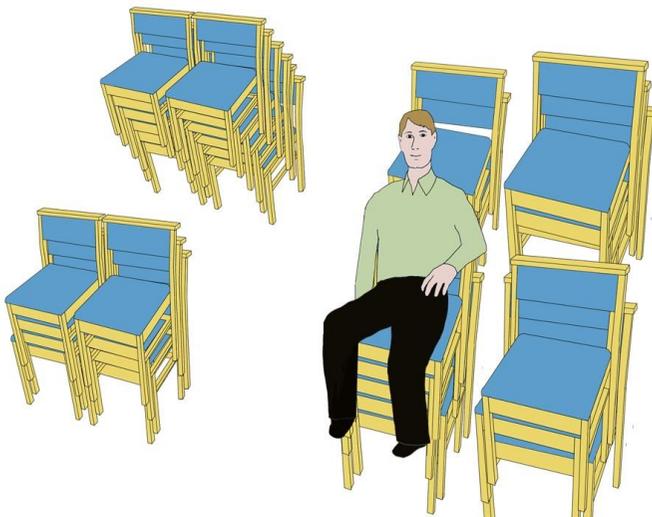
A meeting to talk about how we can help families, children and youth in our community.

BULLETIN DURING AUGUST:

There will be no bulletin issued next week. The bulletin issued on the 22nd August will cover the remaining two weeks of August. A weekly bulletin will be resumed in September.

AROUND OUR FELLOWSHIP:

- Charmaine Iles' funeral is on Tuesday, 10th August 2021 at 4.15pm at Westerleigh Crematorium. Colin is officiating - there is no webcast. We continue to pray for Trevor and the family at this sad time. We also remember Brenda Driscoll as she mourns the loss of her son.
- Please think of our children and Young People who are attending Junior Camp and (next week) Summer Camp. Tash, Phil and Joe are also on the staff of Summer Camp.
- We also remember our young people over the coming days as they receive their exam results.
- I [Colin] have been without a mobile for the last 2 weeks, so if anyone has been trying to contact me, please could you try again later this week, when the connectivity problems have hopefully been resolved. Nicola still has her mobile, though, so feel free to contact her for anything urgent.
- Congratulations to Rosie and Mitch Hulands, who have been gifted with a baby girl, which now makes Hywel and Janine 1st time grandparents, and Pauline and Bob 1st time great grandparents!



**Increasing the number of chairs in the hall
for Sunday worship ... we might not get it
quite right first time!**

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK:

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

Book-in (*by 12 noon on Saturday*):

Use the online link on the covering e-mail with this bulletin, click on the picture to the left, or ring [0117 956 5232](tel:01179565232)

General Guidance as Restrictions Ease:

- Please continue to wear facemasks at all times whilst moving around the building
- Windows will remain open to provide excellent ventilation
- Singing is now permitted during all services

Time (*each meeting will last no longer than 45 minutes*):

Choose either 10am or 11.30am.

- **10am Meeting:** Facemasks may be removed once you are seated. We are now gradually increasing the number of chairs throughout August. If you do not want to sit next to anyone, we will have 'reserved' cards available for you to place on nearby chairs.
- **11:30am Meeting:** will be a more covid-safe environment, and is likely to be quieter and less busy. Chairs will remain spaced out, and we would encourage everyone to keep face masks on throughout the service.

Book-in Details:

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

COVID Alerts:

If you attend worship at the hall this week and subsequently **test positive** or get '**pinged**' through the NHS App, please contact our Corps Officers this week.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

TODAY Sunday 8th August

10am Worship – in the building
from 10am Worship – online
11:30am Worship – in the building



Summer Psalms
[Psalm 91](#)

Wednesday 11th August

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

Thursday 12th August

8.15pm Extra Slice Group online

SUNDAY 15th August

10am Worship – in the building
from 10am Worship – online
11:30am Worship – in the building



Summer Psalms
[Psalm 8](#)

Wednesday 18th August

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

Thursday 19th August

8.15pm Extra Slice Group online

SSUNDAY 22nd August

10am Worship – in the building
from 10am Worship – online
11:30am Worship – in the building



Summer Psalms
[Psalm 15](#)

Children and Youth activities have now stopped for the summer