



# Staple Hill

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### *The Refiner's Fire*

Last Sunday, Major Nicola referred to the act of refining gold by repeatedly heating the metal and then gently scraping off the impurities that rise to the surface. Each time the impurities are removed, the gold becomes a little purer, and the process is repeated over and over again until the goldsmith can see his/her reflection clearly in the molten metal. Only then is the gold considered pure enough.

There are many verses in the bible that talk about the refiner's fire – but I had never before really thought or understood what was meant by them. The image that Major Nicola's description dragged into my mind was a powerful reminder of how God continues to purify us from all the sin and dross that pervades our lives. Not all at once, but time after time He warms us by His Spirit so that those things that make us less than we should be are brought to the surface and can be discarded. Through God's continuing grace, we are brought to a state of holiness, that we might reflect Him in all our thoughts and actions.

As we continue to study the 1<sup>st</sup> Letter of Peter during our meeting today, and how to *Live in Holiness*, I am sure we will be further challenged.

*Paul Heath*

## LAST ORDER!

Please note that if you would like to order Staple Hill Salvation Army casualwear, the deadline for your order is today – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Please make sure to add your name to the order form in the corridor or contact Myriam Selfe on [myselfe@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:myselfe@hotmail.co.uk)

## COME AND SEE WHAT THEY SAW:

Looking for something different to watch this Autumn? ***The Chosen*** is a free television drama based on the life of Jesus of Nazareth. It is the first multi-season series about the life of Jesus, and season one was the highest crowd-funded TV series or film project of all time. The series portrays Jesus "through the eyes of those who met him". You can watch ***The Chosen*** for free on their mobile app, which you can get here: <http://www.thechosen.tv/app> or search "The Chosen" in your Apple or Android app store. From the app, you can stream to your TV using another device, such as Roku, Apple TV, Fire TV, Android TV, Chromecast, etc.

## LUNCH CLUB

On Thursday we recommenced the Lunch Club. Whilst things were not back to normal, all went well and it was good to see our friends again. We're looking forward to next week.

## HALL CLEANING

Thanks to everyone who helped this week. If you are able to help this coming week, please let me [Colin] know.

## **PRAYER DIARY:**

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

4 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Ba; Mark & Michelle D; Jess, Matt, Charlie & Harry J; Kay & Marc W; Marcus B
5 <sup>th</sup>	Hilary & Mike D; Sally P; Rebecca S; Claire & Michael B; Dennis H; Daisy U
6 <sup>th</sup>	Jon B; Kirsty, Mark, Oliver, Freya & Henry F; David Jo; Alison C; Karen P
7 <sup>th</sup>	Beryl & Spence G; David L; Andy, Emily, Grace & Archie E
8 <sup>th</sup>	Marcia G; Anne & Dennis L; Laura R; Marion R; Francis & Ruth S; Catherine R
9 <sup>th</sup>	Linda & Rob H; Ian & Rachel R; Myriam, Steve & Noah S; John & Olive S; Margaret S
10 <sup>th</sup>	Gary M; Roy R; Jason R; Holly, Chris, Dylan, Oscar & Charlie S; Christine K

## **PRAYER FELLOWSHIP:**

Since the last bulletin, we have been praying for:

- Wesley's sister, who is in hospital
- Pearl Stoten (Liz Church's Mum) who was in Hospital following a fall

If you would like us to pray for something, then please drop us an email (a couple of sentences only, please) on [staplehillprayers@gmail.com](mailto:staplehillprayers@gmail.com).

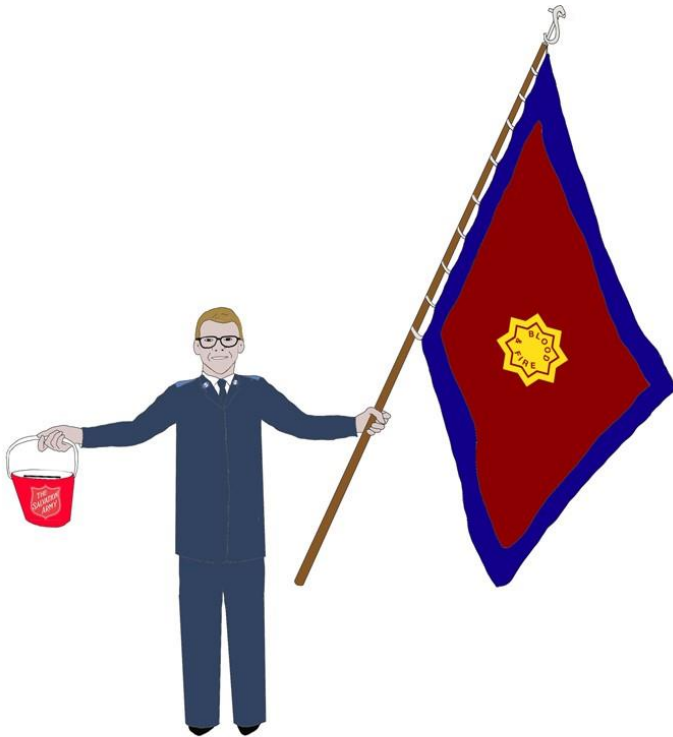
## **FLOWERS:**

- The flowers at the front of the hall today are given by Mary and Malcolm

## **BIG COLLECTION**

... Morrisons Flag Day: Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> & Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October.

If you are willing and able, could you help with a collection at Morrisons? To maintain social distancing, we will collect behind a table, and provide masks and hand sanitizer. There is a sign-up sheet on the notice board. If you can't get to the hall, then give us [Colin & Nicola] a call.



**Flag Day - or just training for  
'The World's Strongest Man'?**

## **YOUTH EVENT SUNDAY 10th OCTOBER 4pm**

The Severn and Somerset Division are holding a 'Creative Arts' youth event in our building at Staple Hill. It will be an opportunity to meet other young people from around the division and you need to book a place, although it is free. Please use link below to book.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/creative-arts-youth-event-tickets-171383331157>

### **REMAINING COVID SAFE IN OUR BUILDINGS:**

- Please wear a mask when entering and moving around the building
  - Face masks can be removed when seated
  - Please remember to put your masks back on whilst talking to each other before or after the meeting
- Please use the hand sanitiser provided
- Please maintain a level of social distancing
- Understand that other people may feel differently to you, so please respect this
- After attending our building, please notify us if you have a positive test or you are contacted by NHS Track & Trace
- We will keep a register of attendees at all activities for Covid alerts
- On Sundays the chairs on each side will remain more distanced for those who prefer this
- If you don't want to sit next to anyone, red cards will be available to place on nearby chairs

## ALL CHANGE:

Something that has been a huge success over the last year or so are the Extra Slice groups. Each week groups have been meeting online with over 60 people attending in total. It has been an opportunity to chat, laugh, listen, share, and learn together. The groups are open to anyone, even if you just want to listen in. If you haven't tried it yet - this week is a brilliant opportunity as all the groups are changing. There are different options including daytime and evening, online or in-person. If you want to attend an in-person group, just turn up. If you want to attend an online group just speak to Colin or Nicola or email [contactstaplehill@gmail.com](mailto:contactstaplehill@gmail.com) for the log in details. Why not give it a try?

DAY	WHERE	WHEN	LEADER
Tuesday	at the hall	10.30am coffee 11am-12pm	Kelvin James
Wednesday	Online	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Gerry Wiltshire
Wednesday	Online (this group will be moving to Linda's house from November)	7pm - 8pm	Linda James
Wednesday	Online	8.15pm - 9.15pm	Beth Ewins
Thursday	at Colin & Nicola's house	7.45pm coffee 8pm - 9pm	Colin & Nicola
Thursday	Online	8.15pm - 9.15pm	Ian & Rachel Roberts

## FELLOWSHIP NEWS:

- We continue you to remember those in our fellowship who need our support and prayers. In particular we remember, Arnold, Bob, Rita and Iris, and Riley who has broken her arm.

STAPLE HILL SALVATION ARMY  
Broad Street | Staple Hill | BS16 5LN

FRIDAY NIGHT  
IS MUSIC NIGHT

Featuring  
Vocal Soloist Naomi Blowers  
Staple Hill Band of The Salvation Army

FRIDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2021 | 7.30PM

Contact Jon Dickens on 07917 232788 or  
scan this QR code to book your free ticket

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## THE WEEK AHEAD:

### TODAY Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

- 10am All Age Worship  
Followed by tea & coffee  
11:30am Children's and Youth Groups  
~12 noon Worship – online

[‘Live in Holiness’](#)  
[1 Peter 1: 13-21](#)

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October

- 10:30am Extra Slice Group at the hall  
6:15pm YP Band Practice  
7pm Singing Company Practice  
8pm Senior Band Practice

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October

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

### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October

- All day Flag Day @ Morrisons, Fishponds  
12:30pm Lunch Club  
7:45pm Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's  
8.15pm Extra Slice Group online

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October

- All day Flag Day @ Morrisons, Fishponds  
7:30pm ‘Friday Night is Music Night’ concert

### SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> October

- 10am All Age Worship  
Followed by tea & coffee  
11:30am Children's and Youth Groups  
~12 noon Worship – online  
4pm Divisional Creative Arts Youth Event, Staple Hill  
(please book online)

[‘Live in Harmony’](#)  
[1 Peter 1:22 - 2:10](#)

## FURTHER AHEAD:

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. Remembrance Sunday