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COP 26

Some things are so important, they can't be left to chance – and it feels as though this wonderful planet that God created is now teetering on a knife edge. Can we, the people of the world, have the courage to actually change and make a difference?

Last Monday as we were getting ready for bed, we were listening to the news reports about all the world leaders meeting in Glasgow on the opening day of the COP 26 summit. We turned off the TV and opened the Bible to share a reading together (we are currently reading through the New Testament), and read:

The first thing I want you to do is pray. Pray every way you know how, for everyone you know. Pray especially for rulers and their governments to rule well so we can be quietly about our business of living simply, in humble contemplation. This is the way our Saviour God wants us to live.

[1 Timothy 2 v 1-3](#)

Was that just a coincidence? I don't think so! We must take action to pray and to hold our world leaders to account for the commitments that both God and the scientists now agree are urgently needed. For His kingdom's sake.

Paul Heath

PRAYER DIARY:

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

8 th	Marcia G; Anne & Dennis L; Laura R; Marion R; Francis & Ruth S; Catherine R
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

FLOWERS:

- The flowers today are provided by Myriam and Steve in memory of Steve's dad, Bram, who's birthday would have been today.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS:

- We continue to remember those in our fellowship who are poorly. In particular, we continue to pray for Bob, Rita, Viv (Sarah Bessex's mum) and their families.

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP:

Since the last bulletin, we have been praying for:

- Viv, Sarah Bessex's Mother, who is critically ill in Intensive Care. Also her husband Barry and the rest of the family

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.

THANK TOBER:

During October we thanked many people who provided invaluable help and assistance to our fellowship and community over the last 18 months. There are still people we need to thank, so will be continuing to thank people during November - unfortunately, we haven't been able to think of a new title for November, so any suggestions, please let me know. Also, if there is any person you think we might have missed, please let me (Colin) know.



On leave last week - Major Colin won't be able to contain his excitement to be back a moment longer!

BEING FRUITFUL:

Following on from COP 26, the Territorial Moral and Social Issues Council (MASIC) will present an on-line event 'Being Fruitful: The Ethics of Caring for Creation'. This 90-minute webinar will be on 24th November, starting at 7.30pm and will explore the ethical issues surrounding caring for creation and the climate crisis. It is available free online but it will be necessary to book. More details with a link to register your place is at: salvationarmy.org.uk/beingfruitful



Divisional Prayer Evening
Wednesday 10th Nov 2021
7.30 pm
(group open from 7.20pm)

Guest Speaker:

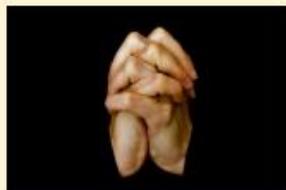
T/E Darryn Hook

(Sanctuary 21—Durham)

Worship led by

Richard Prescott

(Forest of Dean)



Prayer requests
for the Division

Join us for a evening of prayer



Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84339426623?pwd=VE9iSlU0VURiZiFnRmYyUHE1aWxFTU09>

Meeting ID: 843 3942 6623

Passcode: 207721

THE SALVATION ARMY NEED YOUR IDEAS!

Territorial Headquarters invites everyone linked to The Salvation Army (volunteer, employee, officer, member, friend) to have a say on what is needed for local mission to flourish. A survey is running online here;

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/G88DPLV>

and in *Salvationist* (6th November until 30th November).

You can also email comments to transformation@salvationarmy.org.uk. We would encourage you to get involved – we want Staple Hill Salvation Army's voice to be heard!

ANGEL TREE:

It's that time of the year again. Last year we supported about 2,000 people across South Gloucestershire and Bristol. But we can only do that with your help. Please take a tag from the angel tree situated in the foyer and buy a gift for the person as indicated on the back of the tag. Gifts can be anything you choose. All gifts need to be brand new and unwrapped, please. Sunday morning 5th December, will be our Toy Service when you can bring your gifts and place them under our tree or you can bring them to the hall at any other time. On behalf of the families we represent, thank you so much for your generosity - if you need any further information please don't hesitate to ask.



SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE:

As part of our Friendship Fellowship, we are planning a Service of Remembrance this coming Thursday at 10.45am. Please support if you are able; a cup of tea will be served after the service.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

The Extra Slice groups have been undergoing a few changes over the last few weeks and this has resulted in quite a few new members – but it's never too late to join. Please take a look at the list on the noticeboard to see when they are and who goes to what group – it might help you decide. And remember there are online groups as well as ones that meet in 'real life', and lots of different times to choose from so there should be something to suit everyone (in fact some people change groups depending on their work patterns!).

Please ask if you want to know more or email contactstaplehill@gmail.com for the log in details. Why not give it a try?

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Sunday 28th Nov. 4pm-5.30pm Family Crafts (booking required)
- Saturday 4th Dec. 10am-4pm Christmas on the Hill
- Sunday 5th Dec. 5pm 'Light up a Life' (booking required)
- Sunday 19th Dec. 10am Family Carol Service
- Sunday 19th Dec. 5pm Carol Service (booking required)
- Christmas Eve 5pm Carols in the Square
- Christmas Day 11am Christmas Day meeting



Booking for all the 'Light up a Life' services is now open:

<https://stpetershospice.enthuse.com/ps/event/LightupALifeDec2021>

Festival of Remembrance 2021

Sun 14 Nov 2021 at 5pm



The band will have led the community parade in the morning, and now at 5:00pm in the evening of Remembrance Sunday, we will all come together as a final act of Remembrance.

For this evening, the band will be joined by the Songsters (Senior Choir) from The Salvation Army at Staple Hill.

This is strictly a TICKET ONLY EVENT, as we need to manage numbers to ensure everyone's safety.

All tickets are FREE! But if you plan on coming, please do ensure you have a ticket to avoid any disappointment on the night. In the pre-COVID years we would squeeze as many as we can into the hall, but we're sure you will appreciate that this is not possible this year.

Please follow the following link to book your tickets, or give us a call:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/festival-of-remembrance-2021-tickets-193098030407>

THE WEEK AHEAD:

TODAY Sunday 7th November

- 10am All Age Worship
Followed by tea & coffee
Worship will be available online later in day
- 11:30am Children's Church and Youth Activities

'Live in Suffering'
[1 Peter 4:1-19](#)

Tuesday 9th November

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

Wednesday 10th November

- 9:30am & 11am Tots on the Hill (booking required)
3.30pm Extra Slice Group online (Gerry)
7:45pm Extra Slice Group at Linda's
8.15pm Extra Slice Group online (Beth)

Thursday 11th November

- 10:45am Remembrance Day Service
Followed by tea & coffee
12:30pm Lunch Club
7:45pm Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's
8.15pm Extra Slice Group online (Ian & Rachel)

SUNDAY 14th November – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

- 10am All Age Worship
Followed by tea & coffee
Worship will be available online later in day
- 10:15am March starts*
- 10:45am Page Park Service*
- 11:30am Children's Church and Youth Activities
5pm Festival of Remembrance (booking required)