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For Hope and a Future



Whilst soldiering at Street Corps, I had the privilege of playing the Last Post at numerous events every year – one of which was captured within the local newspaper clipping shown in the picture.

25 or so years on, I am still proud to take part in a Remembrance Day parade and service. It is still important and relevant to our nation, a poignant reminder of the human cost of war and an event that I would never want to miss.

There may be few left now who served in World War II, but their memories and the memories of those who have seen action in later conflicts live on through this day. It is through this shared history that we learn the sacrifices of others and understand that there are better ways for man to resolve its differences. War, although sometimes necessary and inevitable, is not part of God's plan for this world. Instead, in [Jeremiah 29 v 11](#) it says:

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

If only we could learn.

Paul Heath

PRAYER DIARY:

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

15 th	Aimee B; Brenda D; Matt, Ruth, Isabella & Amara A; Louise P & Natalie
16 th	Margaret Be; Hannah, Nick & Arthur F-B; Garry J; Bob & Pauline P; Josh D; Robert Hi
17 th	Becky G; Joe S, Martin & Amy S & Family; Sharon D; Ivan D; Bryan & Vera R
18 th	Derek & Liz B; Gwen L; Joan W; David, Rachel, Charlotte, Georgina & Harriet N
19 th	Helen & Michael L, Gracey, Isabella, Joseph, Thomas & Leonie; Clive & Pauline E
20 th	Tom C; Olive M; Loraine B; Haydn & Trudi B; Victoria H; Jill Wh; Carys H
21 st	Molly A; Ashayi, Moses, Junior & Eli K; Brenda H; Peter & Valerie S; Nneka H

THANKS:

We'd like to say a massive Thank you to Henleaze Infant School who collected food items and donated them to us here at Staple Hill Salvation Army for Harvest. The children all really enjoyed a Harvest assembly which Colin led at the school.



FLOWERS:

- The flowers today are provided by Yvonne Willetts in memory of Ken.

PEOPLE:

- Please continue to pray for Bob, Clive, Ivan along with their respective families.
- It has been sad to learn that there have been several bereavements of people connected to our fellowship in the last week.
 - Earlier in the week we learned of the Promotion to Glory of Pauline Nolan, our thoughts are with Carol (Pauline's daughter) and her family.
 - Our thoughts are also with Sarah Bessex who was bereaved of her Mother, Viv, on Thursday evening. We uphold Barry (Viv's husband), Sarah, Tim and the family in prayer at this sad time.

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.



SPECIAL EVENTS OVER CHRISTMAS:

We are still living in a pandemic and the differing expectations that brings. It is important that we respect other people's thoughts and feelings about Covid even if they are very different to our own. It is difficult to plan ahead, but when the Mission Council met this week some decisions had to be made:

- We will not be serving refreshments in the 5pm Festival of Remembrance, or 5pm 'Light up a Life' Service, or 5pm Carol service
- We will not be hosting Christmas Day Dinner in our building this year but instead will be delivering hot dinners and other goodies similar to last year – this will take place after the morning meeting
- Several of our events will require booking in, this is to keep the numbers limited and also to ensure we have contact details of people in case of a Covid outbreak.
- For events where booking is required - if you are not online please speak to Nicola or Colin to book places.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Sunday 28th Nov. 4pm-5.30pm **Family Crafts**
 - *booking required, helpers do not need to book*
- Saturday 4th Dec. 10am-4pm **Christmas on the Hill**
 - *Take away refreshments served at our front door*
- Sunday 5th Dec. 5pm **'Light up a Life'**
 - *booking required, Senior Band do not need to book*
- Sunday 19th Dec. 10am **Family Carol Service**
- Sunday 19th Dec. 5pm **Carol Service**
 - *booking required, Senior Band/Songsters do not need to book*
- Christmas Eve 5pm **Carols in the Square**
- Christmas Day 11am **Christmas Day meeting**



St Peter's Hospice

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

<https://stpetershospice.enthuse.com/ps/event/LightupLifeDec2021>

HELP NEEDED PLEASE:

We will be opening our Christmas reception again this year, from Tuesday 23rd November. There is a sheet on the noticeboard, so if you are able to cover any times please write your name on the list. We just need you to welcome people who come into the building to donate goods and money and answer any other enquiries as needed. Any questions please see Nicola.

As last year, we will need drivers to deliver Christmas dinner and other packages to people on Christmas day. Our Christmas day meeting is going ahead at 11am and deliveries will be made after that. If you are able to help please see Nicola or David.



Was that The Last Post?

FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE 2021:

Tonight at 5pm

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 disappointment.

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 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)

Tuesday 16th November

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

Wednesday 17th 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 18th November

- 12:30pm Lunch Club
- 7:45pm Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's
- 8.15pm Extra Slice Group online (Ian & Rachel)

SUNDAY 21st 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 Heavenly
Resistance’
1 Peter 5:1-14](#)