



Staple Hill

Local ... Lively ... Loving

Majors Colin & Nicola Hylton-Jones

Corps Officers: 0117 9565232

Corps Website: www.staplehillsa.uk

Hall Address:

21 Broad Street, Staple Hill BS16 5LN

Telephone: 0117 9569733



contactstaplehill@gmail.com

Sunday 23rd January 2022

Bulletin e-mail: staplehillbulletin@gmail.com

Caring for all, without discrimination

When at school, my biology lessons took place on the top floor of a 3-floor block. On the windowsill in the stairwell was a large, very old, jade money plant. Everyone just walked by it and never gave it a second glance. One day, I took one of the fallen leaves from that plant and potted it up. It grew. 40 years on it is still alive – even though it is rarely watered and often neglected (not to mention somewhat disliked by members of my family). But I think it is well worth keeping and have always given it pride of place in our house. I have always cared for it even though it may be unloved by others.



The theme for our meeting today is ‘To serve without discrimination’. That means that we should accept each other in the same way as God does ... no matter how different we may be. Society may reject some people who don’t fit in – the old, the neglected, those who originate from somewhere else. But God doesn’t – He still loves and cares for us all. And so must we.

*I know He cares for me, for me, I know He cares for me, for me;
I'll trust my Father in Heaven for I know that He cares for me.*

[Salvation Army Song Book No 35]

Paul Heath

PEOPLE:

- Our thoughts continue to be with those who grieve at this time, and pray for them to be surrounded by God's comfort and strength. In particular, we focus on Pauline, Simon, Janine and their family this week, as they prepare for Bob's funeral on Friday, 28th January, which will take place at Westerleigh Crematorium at 11.45am, followed by a service of celebration at our hall at 1pm.
- We also think of those receiving medical treatment at the moment, or recovering from operations and illness. It is good to hear that many of them continue to make good and steady progress.
- Several people who have tested positive for covid over recent days (including Major Colin). We pray that the virus will quickly pass and you will all be back to normal again very soon.

INVOICES FOR STAPLE HILL CLOTHING:

Thank you to everyone who have already paid for their new casual uniform orders over the past months. However, if you've ordered items and have yet to settle your invoice, can I ask that you please do so promptly as Gary, our treasurer, is trying to balance the corps accounts for the new financial year.

If you are not sure of the amount due, please contact me [Myriam] at: myselfe@hotmail.co.uk

Payments preferred by bank transfer:

Sort code:	60-01-73
Account number:	00130997
Account name:	The Salvation Army
Reference:	Caswear

SAFETY MEASURES WHEN IN OUR BUILDING:

Please be aware that our guidance when using our building currently remains unchanged:

- We encourage you to take a Lateral Flow Test before attending our building
- All windows will remain open at all times, so please wear an extra layer
- Please wash your hands or use sanitiser on arrival and regularly whilst attending
- Please wear a mask at all times (unless you are exempt or when playing in band or singing in Songsters/Singing Company, speaking/reading from the platform)
- All chairs will be spaced further apart than previously
- Red cards are available if you don't want anyone to sit too close
- Your attendance will be noted so that we can contact you if someone close by has tested positive
- Please notify us if you test positive after attending
- We will increase the cleaning of 'touch points' before activities
- There will be no refreshments served after the Sunday meeting

Irrespective of the changes in government policy that will come into force this week, we still want everyone to feel safe whilst using our buildings. With that in mind, please continue to bring your face masks with you next week.

BOB'S FUNERAL:

For those who will not be able to be present at Westerleigh for Bob's funeral on Friday 28th January, you will still be able to watch the service online at the following website: <https://watch.obitus.com>

Username: nuye8731
Password: 172917
Service Viewing Time: 11:40am - 12:35pm

THE WEEK AHEAD:

TODAY Sunday 23rd January:

10am Sunday meeting - *at the hall and available online later*
'Being Together: To Serve Without Discrimination'
[Philippians 2:5-8](#)

Immediately followed by Children and Youth activities

Tuesday 25th January:

11am Extra Slice Group at the hall with Kelvin
6:15pm YP Band Practice
7:15pm Singing Company Practice
8pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 26th January:

9.30am & 11am Tots on the Hill - *booking required*
3.30pm Online Extra Slice group with Gerry
7.45pm Extra Slice Group at Linda's
8.15pm Online Extra Slice Group with Beth

Thursday 27th January:

12.30pm Lunch Club
7.45pm Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's
8.15pm Online Extra Slice Group with Rachel & Ian

Friday 28th January:

11:45am Funeral of Bob Perkins at Westerleigh Crematorium,
followed by a Service of Celebration at the hall at 1pm

Sunday 30th January:

10am Sunday meeting - *at the hall and available online later*
'Being Together: To Nurture Disciples of Jesus'
Immediately followed by Children and Youth activities

