



Staple Hill

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Support for those in power

Have you looked at the new Monthly Prayer List that was given out a week or two ago? Not only does it ask us to pray for every member of our fellowship over the course of each month (and it is really helpful for learning everyone's names!), but it also asks us to set aside time to pray for our corps, our community and national/international issues. And we certainly seem to have a lot more national issues now than we are used to.

Who could have imagined that we would be looking for a 3rd Prime Minister within a single year? No matter what your political views may be, the unfolding turmoil in government has been incredible to watch and the impacts deeply worrying. The spiralling cost of living, the crisis in the health service, the widespread strikes across our public services and the threats of energy rationing over the winter are all issues that will be playing on the minds of many. Whoever leads this country at the end of this month is going to have a very difficult job! We may not hold a high political office ourselves, but we can and should pray for those who do such that they might make the right decisions in the coming months.

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. [1 Timothy 2 v 1-2](#)

Paul Heath

THANKS:

Pauline Ewins would like to thank everyone for the many cards, prayers and love they have received which has been such a support to the family and made this difficult time easier.

Hilary Dickens would like to thank all those who sent cards, emails and flowers on the occasion of her sister's passing. Your love and concern were greatly appreciated and of immense comfort and support. Thank you.

PEOPLE:

We continue to pray for those who have been bereaved, in particular, we remember of Pauline, Beth and Carolyn; Olive and Gary and their family; Hilary who has been bereaved of her sister, Maureen, and Linda on the sad loss of Jim.

There are a number of friends who are, at the time of writing (Friday Morning) in hospital. John Sheppard is in the RUH in Bath, Joan is in Southmead as is Gwen. Please continue to remember our friends in your prayers.

On a personal note, thank you to those who sent cards concerning the loss of my [Colin] uncle. Also, we are away from Monday 24th - Friday 28th October 2022.

And finally, many congratulations to Mary Hitchcock who celebrates her 50th birthday on the 27th October.



KITES:

Wondered why there are kites around the hall? Come this Sunday (23rd October) to find out more!

The Kenya Trust

Presents

INTO Africa

featuring

Severn & Somerset Youth Chorus

Pianist Andrew Wicker

Staple Hill Salvation Army Band

12th November 2022

7pm

STAPLE HILL SALVATION ARMY

BROAD STREET | BRISTOL | BS16 5LN

Tickets £5 from Hilton Baker on
07851 121571 or scan this QR Code



The Kenya Trust is a registered charity No.1105495

WARM WELCOME:

We continue to prepare for the start of our Warm Welcome Initiative which starts on Tuesday, 1st November - a time when people can come for warm food, a 'warm up' and a warm welcome. Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in helping and being a part of this initiative. It's not too late to become involved, please speak to Linda James or Rachel Roberts. Don't forget we are going to be open every Tuesday and Friday, 12noon - 6pm with soup at lunch time and a meal in the evening.

If you have any magazines that you would like to donate for people to read, then please give them to Linda.

CLEAN, EMPTY JAM JARS:

If you are about to recycle a jam jar, can you please bring it to the hall by Sunday 30th October for one of the crafts (about 30 needed). Thank you. Rachel Wallis (Messy Church Crafts team leader).



How else are we going to find enough jam jars for Messy Church?

CLEANING:

Thank you for all those who have been helping to clean the hall both on Monday and Friday this week. We are away next week, so however you leave the hall this week, whether it be on Sunday or mid-week, will be how you will return to it. Please leave it tidy.

FLOWERS:

We thank Sheila and Michelle for the flowers on the altar table today, placed in memory of Gordon.

BACK DOOR:

The shutter lock has been replaced. We are in the process of having additional keys cut. If you need a replacement key, please make sure you ask for one.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Saturday 5th November	Coffee Morning (Coordinated by Jo Risdale & Rachel Wallis – 10am to 12 noon)
Monday 7th November	Mission Council Meeting (at 8pm)
Saturday 12th November	Kenya Trust Concert
Sunday 13th November	Remembrance Sunday
Sunday 27th November	Messy Church (4pm to 6pm)

THE WEEK AHEAD:

TODAY, Sunday 23rd October:

- 10am All Age Worship
'Church Governance'
[Acts 6: 1-7](#)
- 11.30am-12:15pm Children & Youth Activities

Tuesday 25th October:

- 11am-12noon Extra Slice Group at the Hall (leader: Kelvin)
8pm Songster Practice

Wednesday 26th October:

- 9:30am-11am Tots on the Hill

Thursday 27th October:

- 12.30pm Lunch Club
8pm Senior Band Practice

Sunday 30th October:

- 10am All Age Worship
11.30am-12:15pm Children & Youth Activities
4pm-6pm Messy Church

This week is half term, so please see your Extra Slice leader about if and when your group is meeting.