



Staple Hill

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Energy

Watching the London Marathon a few weeks ago, I question where do people get their energy from? I suggest its perseverance with constant exercise. Some people possess lots of energy, others much less (like myself).

Recently, we visited Blackpool to view the illuminations, and how enjoyable it was. The displays were beautiful, with nursery rhymes, slogans, charity presentations and rainbows across a lengthy road. It was a great sight to see. My favourite display was that of Christ ascending into Heaven dressed in a white robe, with the words “[I am the resurrection and the life](#)” [John 11 v 25](#). I guess whoever designed it was a Christian! With the hundreds of light bulbs used, what will be the cost of all that energy used?

It seems that all we can talk about these days is ‘The Energy Crisis’ which is going to affect our daily lives. Will we enjoy Christmas as much this year without the fairy lights?

Let us remind ourselves that Jesus says “[I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.](#)” [John 8 v 12](#)

Jesus is my light, is He yours?

Doris Pearce

PEOPLE:

Congratulations to Olive who is 90 today.

There are a number of our fellowship who are in Southmead Hospital. I [Colin] was able to see Joan, Gwen, Roy and Angela (a member of our Lunch Club) this week and all are grateful for the cards and messages that they have received. Please continue to remember them in your prayers.



We also remember Linda as she prepares for Jim's funeral on Thursday, 17th November, 1pm at Holy Trinity Church, Kingswood followed by Cremation at Westerleigh at 2.15pm.

Some of you will have known Brenda Cumley, a soldier at Kingswood Corps and someone who shared in many of the activities that went on in Staple Hill. We were saddened to learn of her promotion to glory last week, and we think of her husband, Stan, and her family at this sad time.



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12:00 – 6PM

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AN AFTERNOON AT THE CINEMA - THE CHOSEN:

The Chosen is officially launching in UK cinemas from the 18th to 22nd November! Join thousands of others up and down the country and experience episodes one and two of *The Chosen* season 3 at the cinema. See Jesus give a sermon that turns the world upside down, and all 12 disciples ready to follow him to the end of the earth.

We are in talks with Vue to make a group booking for 30 tickets at the Longwell Green Vue cinema, on Sunday 20th November at 3pm.

Tickets will be about £12 per person (to be confirmed). The programme length is 2 hours 5 minutes and will include episodes one and two of Season 3, plus a message from the director and behind-the-scenes sneak peeks. You don't need to have seen Seasons 1 and 2 but it helps!

If you are interested, please put your name on the booking form in the lobby.

If the date or venue is not suitable, please book your place at:

<https://www.fathomevents.com/events/The-Chosen-Season-3-Episode-1-2>

MISSING DVDs:

The Chosen DVDs are missing from the office. If you have borrowed them, please could they be returned so that others who may wish to catch up could watch them? Thank you. (Myriam)

WARM WELCOME:

Our Warm Welcome initiative started well this week, with a number of people coming in to take advantage of this new provision. There are still a number of gaps on the 'sign-up' sheet, so if you can help, that would be really good.

FOOD BANK:

Thank you for your generous giving to the food bank - we are pretty well stocked at the moment. However, we are short of:

- Bottled sauces to go with Rice or Pasta
- Long life Milk

Please could you consider buying one or two when you next go shopping?

FREE WEBINAR:

The Moral and Social Issues Council are hosting a free webinar on Monday 14th November at 7:30pm to explore the topic of Racial Inclusion and what it means for The Salvation Army. There'll be a chance to hear stories from Salvationists and friends from around the territory, ask questions and learn together.

Further information and booking form at this link:

<https://www.salvationist.org.uk/events>

CHRISTMAS RECEPTION – HELP PLEASE!

During the Christmas Period, our building is very busy, including people popping in to donate to our Christmas Appeal. From Monday 21st November until Friday 23rd December our 'Christmas Reception' will be open from 9am to 12noon Monday to Friday. We need volunteer 'receptionists' to cover from 9 to 12 each day – if you are able to help, please put your name on the rota on the noticeboard. The receptionists are there to welcome anyone who comes into our building, accepting and recording donations (toys, food and money) and answering any questions people may have (full training will be given!) There are always lots of other jobs to do if it's quiet too! If you want to know more, please ask Nicola.

FLOWERS:

Thankyou to everyone who has placed flowers on the holiness table throughout this year. They have brought beauty to the main hall and are a sign of God's creation. They also have enabled us to share with each other in celebration of birthdays, anniversaries and in memory of those we have lost.

A new flower list for 2023 is now available. If you would like to put your name on that list, then please speak to me (Viv Wallington). I will place it on the notice board towards the end of November.

We thank Gary Matthews for the flowers today, which are in celebration of Olive's 90th birthday.

WHAT'S ON AT CHRISTMAS:

Christmas is fast approaching, so please take a copy of the Christmas calendar available from the back of the hall today so you can keep track of everything. If you are receiving this bulletin by email please see the attachment. We will be looking for collectors to accompany the band at various events – please look out for the sign-up sheets available soon.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sunday 27th November Messy Church (4pm to 6pm)

.... but please also see the separate Christmas Calendar for lots more events on the run up to Christmas.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

TODAY, Sunday 6th November:

- 10am All Age Worship – [Hebrews 1](#)
11.30am-12:15pm Children & Youth Activities

Tuesday 7th November:

- 8pm Mission Council Meeting

Tuesday 8th November:

- 11am-12noon Extra Slice Group at the Hall (leader: Kelvin)
12noon-6pm Hall open for a *Warm Welcome*
6:30pm YP Band Practice
7:15pm Singing Company Practice
8pm Songster Practice

Wednesday 9th November:

- 9:30am-11am Tots on the Hill
3:30pm-4:30pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Gerry)
7:45pm-9pm Extra Slice Group at Linda's house
8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Beth)

Thursday 10th November:

- 11:15am Remembrance Service with coffee / tea on arrival
(everyone welcome)
12.30pm Lunch Club
6:45pm Colin & Nicola's Extra Slice Group *at the hall*
7pm Staple Hill Partnership Meeting
8pm Senior Band Practice
8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leaders: Ian & Rachel)

Friday 11th November:

- 12noon-6pm Hall open for a *Warm Welcome*
7pm Divisional Youth Chorus rehearsal in our hall
8pm Divisional Youth Fellowship in our hall
8:30pm Divisional Youth Band rehearsal in our hall

THE WEEK AHEAD (CONTINUED):

Saturday 12th November:

7pm Kenya Trust Concert "Into Africa"

Sunday 13th November: REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

10am All Age Worship

Silence – [1 Kings 19 v 9-13](#)

10am Parade forms up in Page Road

10:45am (approx.) Remembrance Service starts in Page Park (Colin)

11.30am-12:15pm Children & Youth Activities

5pm Festival of Remembrance

BAND LEAGUE:

Band League is being relaunched and I have taken over the Secretary role! This is your opportunity to support our band, it's work and costs – membership will remain at £5 as in previous years – for which you receive a newsletter and "free ticket" to the Band League concert in March! I will be at both the Kenya Trust Concert and the Festival of Remembrance next weekend to take membership requests/queries and will be contacting existing members!

Becky Gardner

The Kenya Trust

Presents

INTO Africa

featuring

Severn & Somerset Youth Chorus

Pianist Andrew Wicker

Staple Hill Salvation Army Band

12th November 2022

7pm

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