

SUNDAY 7th July 2024



Local ...
Lively ...
Loving

The Voice of Calm

As the election results came in during the early hours of Friday morning, it quickly became clear that it was going to be a landslide victory for the Labour party, and a mandate for political change. The people have spoken.

When God speaks, it can also result in massive changes ... both changes at a personal level and changes on a global scale. Sometimes, those changes come instantly, but mostly they only become apparent over a period of many years.

Pray for our new political leaders, that they might hear that 'still, small voice of calm' speaking to them and guiding their thoughts and actions during all the turmoil that comes with a change of government.

The Lord said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord. Look, the Lord is ready to pass by." A very powerful wind went before the Lord, digging into the mountain and causing landslides, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the windstorm there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake, there was a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire, there was a soft whisper. When Elijah heard it, he covered his face with his robe and went out and stood at the entrance to the cave. [1 Kings 19 v 11-13](#)

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People

Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with those who have lost a love one recently.

Margaret Boxell's operation has now been rescheduled for the 16th July, with the pre-op planned for this week. We pray that this time it will go ahead!

We continue to think of those who are recovering from illness and operations. Even though Colin and Nicola are away at the moment, we still want to be there for those who need support, or have important news that they would like to share. Please just let Paul or Myriam know.

Flowers

We have flowers placed at the front of the hall today from Pauline Ewins in memory of Clive's birthday, and Daisy Usher in memory of Maurice's birthday.

Bulletin during the Summer

Please note that during August, this newsletter will not be published every week. There will be a single edition covering both the 4th and 11th August, and a single edition covering the 17th and 24th August. A normal weekly edition will resume on the 1st September.

Major Rob Davis



So today is a significant day as I, with the rest of the Witnesses for Christ session, celebrate 15 years of officership. For those with Salvation Army knowledge you will know that means I am no longer a Captain but now a Major.

Who would of thought it? That kid from Bristol who couldn't sing and couldn't play the drum but had enough faith to say to God 'yes I will follow you wherever you want me to go'.

As I reflect on ministry so far, I am thankful for Staple Hill Salvation Army for the years of helping me to develop my faith in Jesus before college. I am thankful for mum, Chris and Paul for everything they have done and continue to do. The people back home at Staple Hill and in other locations who still pray for us as a family. I am thankful to God for Clare and the boys. Especially the way that Clare and I partner with God in ministry every day. For every appointment we have had so far (Woodford, Braintree with Bishop Stortford, Shoeburyness and now at Leigh-on-Sea) - they have and they continue to teach us so much about ministry and God every day. We see and we have seen God at work in all the appointments that we have had including our current appointment. You are all special to us.

We are thankful for those who we have met in the last 15 years and for those we have served in Jesus' name. I am thankful to God for the opportunities that I have experienced and continue to experience in ministry.

So, as the epaulettes change from Captain to Major, may God have all the glory over the past, the present and whatever happens in the future because he has been and continues to be faithful.

May God bless you all and may God bless each member of the Witnesses for Christ session

A Big Thank You

Wow what a Corps we have!

The Big Connection Corps Collection has raised a fantastic sum of **£3,413.98**, this along with donations already received means we have a current total of **£4,666.70**.

Don't forget you can still donate throughout the year. Please make sure any donations are marked 'Big C' on an envelope if placing donations in the offering basket or come along and support the monthly coffee mornings. Thank you

Dates for the Diary

Here are some dates that are coming up soon:

Saturday 20 th to Saturday 27 th July	Territorial Music School
Saturday 27 th July	Coffee Morning
Monday 29 th July	Mission Council Meeting CAMEO Craft Group
Sunday 4 th to Friday 9 th August	Divisional Junior Camp
Saturday 10 th to Friday 16 th August	Divisional Youth Summer Camp
Sunday 18 th August	Page Park Praise



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Page Park Praise

**INCLUDING LIVE MUSIC AND
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FROM
STAPLE HILL SALVATION ARMY**

3pm on the following Sundays

19th May | 23rd June

14th July | 18th August

15th September

The Salvation Army is a Christian Church & Registered Charity in England (No. 214779)

The Week Ahead

TODAY 7th July:

10am	All Age Worship – <i>Led by Linda & Kelvin James</i> 'The woman at the well'
11.30am-12:15pm	Children's & Youth Activities
4pm	Messy Church

Tuesday 9th July:

All day	Employment Plus with Tyrone
10am	Keep Fit Class
11am-12noon	Extra Slice Group (leader: Kelvin)
12pm-2:30pm	Open Doors
From 6:30pm	Last YP Band Practice before summer break followed by Singing Company Practice
8pm	Songster Practice

Wednesday 10th July:

3:30pm-4:30pm	Extra Slice Group online (leader: Gerry)
7:45pm-9pm	Extra Slice Group at Kelvin & Linda's house
8:15pm-9:15pm	Extra Slice Group online (leader: Beth)

Thursday 11th July:

12.30pm	Lunch Club
7:45pm-9pm	Extra Slice Group - <i>check WhatsApp group for details</i>
8pm	Extra Senior Band Practice
8:15pm-9:15pm	Extra Slice Group online (leaders: Ian & Rachel)

Friday 12th July:

10am-12:30pm	Open Doors
4pm	Cleaning Hall

Sunday 14th July:

10am	All Age Worship – <i>Led by Myriam & Steve Selfe</i> Ezekiel 34 v 11-16 & Matthew 20 v 1-16
11.30am-12:15pm	Children's & Youth Activities
3pm	Page Park Praise