#### **Reduced Weekly Summer Programme**

**Tuesday** 

8.00pm Prayer Meeting (in the Prayer Room)

Wednesday

3.30, 5.00 & 7.00pm Slimming World

**Thursday** 

12.00pm Luncheon Club

**Friday** 

9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World

**Saturday** 

10am-12pm Coffee Morning

# Sundays 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> August:

*Coffee & Cakes* will be served from 10.15am followed by Worship at 11am. Worship will be suitable for all ages including children, focusing on DAVID

Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	He ain't heavy, he's my brother	
	1 Samuel 16:1-13 – Samuel Anoints David	
Sunday 9th August	Led by Andy & Hilary Sims	
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	Sling your hook	1 Samuel 17 David & Goliath
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	The 'wee' room	1 Samuel 24 David & Saul
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	It could be you	2 Samuel 7

5pm at Page Park meet up with Colin & Nicola – "nothing structured, just a chance to meet together". Come along & enjoy each other's company!

#### September: 11am & 5pm Worship Plans

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Fruit Salad:</b> Fruit of the Spirit Galatians 5: 16-26	Sunday Supper: Bring Fruit! Summer School Reports
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Too Fruity!</b> Fruit of the Spirit Galatians 5: 16-26 2 Samuel 11 David & Bathsheba	Sunday Worship Rotten Tomatoes 1 Samuel 24 David, Nabal and Abigail
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Hand's Off – it's my fruit Fruit of the Spirit – Galatians 5: 16-26 1 Samuel 30 David & the Amalekites	3.30pm <b>Praise in Page Park</b> Preceded by a March of Witness
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> September <i>Back to Church</i>	<b>Sour grapes</b> Fruit of the Spirit – Galatians 5: 16-26 2 Samuel 16 David & Shimei –	Sunday Celebration A Special Event to invite people Back to Church



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### August 2015

#### God has very specific mission that can only be done by you being you!

We frequently struggle with identifying our natural abilities. We lose focus on what we love doing and where we excel. All too often, we become so focused on only doing what we think we should do or feel pressure to continue doing. We can discover freedom from these pressures when we pursue the activities God has uniquely designed us for.

Throughout your life, you will have discovered things you naturally love to do. That also means there are certain things you could live without doing! The things you enjoy doing make work more like play. When opportunities to do those things arise, they trigger an energised anticipation to get started. It doesn't seem tiring or time-consuming. People in your life even comment that what you do seems effortless because of the ease and the sense of joy that's evident when you do it. Have you ever had someone say "Thank you so much" & your response has been "But I didn't do anything"?

Over the next month, think about what things you like to do but could actually "take or leave"? What could you live without? But more importantly, where do you naturally excel - what do you love & could not live without doing? And is God in what you are doing wherever that is?

This is the essence of the Corps Retreat in October, to help us as individuals and as a Church discover who we are and to be ourselves. I urge you to join us on this very special time – please sign up to the Retreat.



**The Big Collection:** Kay & I will be doing a Car Boot sale in early August as part of our contribution towards the Salvation Army's Big Collection for People in Need. We have some stuff to sell, but could do with more. If you have stuff that you are throwing out, we could try to sell them & take them to a Charity Shop for you if we are unsuccessful – win, win for everyone!!

## **Advance Notice**



To attend this special event, you need to order a ticket even though it is a free event. This can be done on-line as the advert suggests. However, not everyone is able to access the internet. So we intend to order a number of tickets for the Staple Hill Fellowship. If you want a ticket, please see Colin or Nicola or Linda Hall. This will be the only time we celebrate these unique milestones, so don't miss out & get your ticket soon!

Many of you will know that the International Salvation Army has launched a new edition of the Song Book. Although we project all the words for our songs on to the big screen, we intend to buy a small number of the new Song Book along with some new bibles – the intention is for us to use our bibles more actively in Worship. Additionally, we would like to have a larger display bible to be used on the Altar Table where we place our offerings & gifts. This may be something you might like to donate towards or purchase in memory of a loved one. If you would like to help in any way & make a donation towards the costs involved, please see Colin or Paul.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September: 5pm Sunday Supper "Summer School Reports"** A chance to encourage our young people & hear from those who attended the various summer schools. **Food theme?** Something fruity (wonder why!)

# **OUR FELLOWSHIP**

There will always be those in our Fellowship who need our prayers for all sorts of reasons. Not everybody wants those requests published or made public.

But you will be aware of someone and their very personal needs.

During August, we may not see everyone every week as they are at Music School or Junior Camp or on holiday or visiting family or maybe working.

So let's remember and contact those who we know need our prayers and support

you are praying for to remind you to contact them as well	

Maybe you might like to use the following space to write the names of those

The Flowers on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August are displayed in celebration of Michael & Valerie Bakers Golden Wedding Anniversary. **Congratulations!** 

On 19<sup>th</sup> August, Chris Claridge celebrates his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. *Congratulations!* 

If you are celebrating any kind of special occasion during August *Congratulations!* 

Non-Residential Corps Retreat. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup> October 2015 Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at Minchinhampton Baptist Church Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at Staple Hill Salvation Army