# Stalham Baptist Church

## Weekly News Bulletin Sunday May 14th 2017

**Pastor:** Rev. Ron Skivington **Secretary:** Geoff Reynolds

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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship



We would like to offer a very big welcome to any visitors who have joined us this Sunday.

Please take a "Welcome" booklet and also would you kindly sign our visitor's book at the back of the Church and you are very welcome to join us for refreshments in the Stables at the end of the service.

#### Ron is preaching at London Road Baptist church Lowestoft today

Monday	15th	Church Open for Prayer Marvellous Monday Holiday Club Meeting	10.00am-12noon 3.00pm—4.30pm 7.00pm	Church School Room Stables
Tuesday	16th	Coffee and chat	9.30am -11.30am	Stables
Wednesday	17th	Over 60's Table Tennis Study Group	9.30am - 12noon 7.30pm	Schoolroom Stables
Thursday	18th	Pop up Café Wedding Rehearsal	2.30pm - 4.00pm 7.00pm	Schoolroom Church
Saturday	20th	Prayer Powerhouse	8.00am - 9.00am	Church (Side Door)
Sunday	21st	Church Service Prayer and Praise	10.45am 7.00pm	Church Church

#### **For your Prayers:**

As part of our weekly worship we have a **Prayer Team** available to anyone who would like the support of others in prayer. You can find today's prayer team **Cynthia and Jerry** at the back of the Church. As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **Frank and Monica Payne**. Please pray for **Ruth and Simon** whose wedding is on Saturday 20th.

#### **Dates for your Diary**

May Tuesday 30th Town hall stall volunteers required. See Ron please.

July Saturday 15th 60s Evening Fund Raising for Macmillan Nurses and Building Fund

<u>Hustings</u>: We are holding a hustings on the 24th May at Stalham Baptist Church starting at 7pm on the stage will be James Wild Conservative, Stephen Burke Labour and Norman Lamb Liberal Democrats. We understand that the Green Party and UKIP will not be fielding a candidate for Norfolk North. <u>PLEASE PASS THE WORD ROUND OF THIS EVENT.</u>

<u>Colin Eville:</u> Has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer this week. Colin would like to thank everyone for their kindness and prayers. Can we remember Colin in our prayers.

<u>Help Needed:</u> Can you help with teas and coffees during the Mundesley Choir concert on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>. Please talk to John Applegate.

<u>Walking Group:</u> Saturday May 20th 10.30am. Meet at the Blickling Hall National Trust Car Park . All welcome! Jill 01692-580321

<u>Happy New Year 2560!</u>: Dear Friends, We always feel like we are saying Happy New Year, but living in a country that actively celebrates 3 New Year's per year it's hard not to get involved. So again... **Happy New Year 2560!**Read the rest of the prayer letter from Paul and Sarah Brown at back of the church or find it on <u>www.stalhambaptist.org.uk</u> you will find it on the mission button.

<u>Getting Married:</u> Pleased to let everyone know that Ruth Emerson and Simon Hayward will be getting married on Saturday May 20th in Norwich. We wish them (and Sammy) every blessing in their married life. Ron is taking the service.





### Mundesley Choir SBC Saturday 20th 7pm

Mundesley Community Choir presents "The River Of Sound". An exciting range of music to suit all tastes. The choir last performed at SBC in May 2015 and the concert was a huge success. This years event promises to be just as entertaining and not to be missed. Free, easy parking available at Staithe Surgery Free refreshments. Free Admission. Donations will be divided between Stalham Baptist Church and Mundesley Community Choir.

<u>General Election</u>: Christian aid has produced a guide to the election on 8th June which highlights areas of Christian concern and how you can engage in the election process. <a href="https://www.christianaid.org.uk/campaigns/uk-elections-2017">https://www.christianaid.org.uk/campaigns/uk-elections-2017</a>
You can also find further thoughts on the CARE website (Christian Action Research and Education) on **engaGE17.org.uk**.

<u>Christianity Explored:</u> The date of the next course which will be exploring the Gospel of Mark at Three Windows Brumstead Road will soon be announced.

<u>Mobile Phones:</u> The church media team ask you to please turn off your mobile devices when entering the sanctuary as problems are caused by interference with their equipment.

#### OPEN DOORS SYRIA: FAMILIES RETURN HOME WITH YOUR SUPPORT 25 April 2017

A couple of weeks back Abbey spoke about returning refugees here is a story from Open Doors.

Maaloula is a small town on a mountainside, 30 miles from Damascus, where almost 3,000 people lived before the war in Syria began, most of them Christians. For a time the town was occupied by fundamentalist Muslim group al-Nusra, forcing almost all of the inhabitants to flee their homes. The militants no longer occupy the town, but many homes were damaged in the fighting, and every church has been burned or vandalised.

But incredibly, this is one of the parts of Syria where fighting has come to an end, and some families have been able to begin rebuilding their homes and their lives, with support from local churches and partners of Open Doors. Read more stories at <a href="http://www.opendoorsuk.org/">http://www.opendoorsuk.org/</a>

#### JOHN WHITES THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK [NKJV].

Had the Ark of the Covenant become an Icon? 1 Samuel 4 vs. 1-3. Brought into a war zone. Brought by two very suspect characters, sons Eli the priest! The outcome: 1 Samuel 4 vs.11. [To be followed by Eli 1 Samuel 4 vs.18]

#### **Quotes of the Week by Theodore Roosevelt**

Theodore Roosevelt Jr. was an American statesman, author, explorer, soldier, naturalist, and reformer who served as the 26th President of the United States from 1901 to 1909.

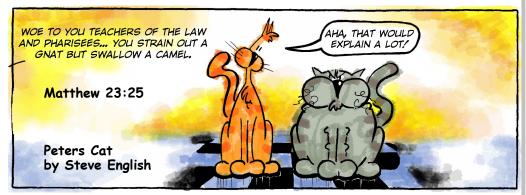
"In any moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing. The worst thing you can do is nothing."

- "A vote is like a rifle: its usefulness depends upon the character of the user."
- "People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care"

"To educate a person in the mind but not in morals is to educate a menace to society."

"To announce that there must be no criticism of the President, or that we are to stand by the President, right or wrong, is not only unpatriotic and servile, but is morally treasonable to the American public."

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Next Week's Service Sunday 21st May

Flowers: Magda Nicolls Welcome: Fran and David Refreshments: Cynthia and Jane

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