

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin

Sunday October 22nd 2017



Pastor: Rev. Ron Skivington

Assistant Pastor: Jerry Otieno

Secretary: Geoff Reynolds 01692 672120

Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship

Diana is leading and Jerry is preaching "Our Justification by Faith" from Galatians 2

We would like to offer a very big welcome to any visitors who have joined us this Sunday. Please take a "Welcome" booklet, 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.

Sydney House Service Today 3.30pm all very welcome

Monday	23rd	Church Open for Prayer	10.00am - 12noon	Church
Tuesday	24th	Coffee and chat	9.30am -11.30am	Stables
Wednesday	25th	Over 60's Table Tennis Stables Study Group all welcome	9.30am - 12noon 7.30pm	Schoolroom Stables
Thursday	26th	Lunch Club	12.15pm	Stables
Saturday	28th	Prayer Time	8.00am - 9.00am	Church (Side Door)
Sunday	29th	Church Service	10.45am	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 **Eileen and Janet** at the back of the Church.

Please pray for the residents of **Dunkerley Court, Baker Street including Bakers Court and Sutton Terrace.**

As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **John Applegate.**

Pray that the Lord may bring forward people for baptism our **last baptism was Easter 2016.**

Please pray for those we know who are unwell at home, in care homes or in hospital. May they know His peace in their lives.

Lowestoft London Rd Baptist Church. *Matters for rejoicing and thanksgiving: significant involvement in the summer at Lowestoft Festival with healing tent, puppet ministry, and Message on the Ball football Messy Cafe for families two days each week through the summer with encouraging numbers at time of writing, 7 requests for baptism and 11 enquiries about Membership an autumn Alpha at East Coast Recovery with a good number of their clients signed up*

Matters to ask for: that God will bless a Holiday Bible Club type week in autumn half-term (moved from the summer to enable maximum follow-up)

Neal and Emily who have been feeling great pressure in Ministry recently for Esther Day who is beginning new chaplaincy work in the town centre, and taking on a demanding training course. Also pray for Liz Read who has taken sole leadership responsibility for our work at the Whitton Life centre as Esther moves across to her new role.

Dates for your Diary

November	Sunday	5th	Church meeting 12.30pm
"	Saturday	11th	Murder Mystery Evening 6.30pm
"	Sunday	12th	Remembrance Service.
"	Sunday	19th	Shoebox Service St Marys' Church 3.00pm
December	Saturday	2nd	Evening with Noel and Tricia Richards 7.00pm at SBC Tickets From Diana Gordon
"	Monday	18th	Swan Inn Carol Service All Welcome

Your Help Needed: Are you able to serve the church and our community by delivering (only 3 times a year) the **Community Scene** Magazine and/or the **Prayer Cards** which are delivered to a couple of streets each month (as part of a team, your turn would only come round every so often.) To offer or learn more speak to Monica or call her on 01692 580947.

Editors Note these outreach services have connected SBC to the community it would be great if you can occasionally help.

Murder Mystery Evening. Another fun event on Saturday 11th November starting at 6.30pm to raise money for the Building Fund. Can you decide who committed the deed and why? A cast of ten mostly from the fellowship brilliantly filmed by Roy Adams will test your sleuthing skills. The evening will include an evening meal, sweet and of course teas and coffee. There is no entrance fee but a donations will be collected, to help with the catering arrangements please book with Elaine Smith you can contact her on 07796875785.



The Stalham Trustees will be making a distribution this Christmas time and applications are invited from those 70 years of age or over as at Friday 10th November 2017 and have resided in Stalham for a continuous and uninterrupted period of 10 years or more.

Applications only one per household must be made in writing to Miss E. M. Grimes, 2 Teresa Road, Stalham NR12 9EB by Friday 10th November. Previous years applications are not automatically considered. A fresh application must be made each year. Unfortunately late applications cannot be accepted.

Lunch Club are going to the Thursford Christmas show on Thursday afternoon 9th November. The show runs from 2 -5.00pm. The coach leaves the church car park at 11.00am and will arrive back around 6.30pm. There are 4 tickets left costing £34.50 each. If you would like a ticket phone Dorothy on 01692 583373

Leprosy Mission Collecting Boxes. If you have one of these boxes, please can you let Barbara Mixer have the contents as soon as possible.

Men's breakfast on the 11th November at 8-30am with Jim LeGrice speaking. To book a place or more details see Alan Jarman.

ONE MILLION VOICES OF HOPE PETITION FOR SYRIA AND IRAQ. Thank you to everyone who has already signed this petition. If you haven't already done so, please sign and ask others to sign it too. The petition will be presented to the United Nations on 11th December and the UK government by 4th December. Forms are at the back of the church, thank you.

Thought For The Week

In a world where 1% of its occupants own what the other 99% do and we also listen to debates revolving around Universal Credit highlighted in the prayer request from Park Baptist Church Great Yarmouth in our bulletin on September 24th.

"Pray for those within the church family who are struggling to live on benefits. The Universal Credit system piloted in Great Yarmouth has brought sanctions which cause people to have no money for several weeks." **What does the bible say?**

1 Corinthians 10:23-24

²³ "Everything is permissible," you say. But not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible." But not everything is constructive. ²⁴ Try to do what is good for others, not just what is good for yourselves.

Quote of the Week

If the misery of the poor be caused not by the laws of nature, but by our institutions, great is our sin.
Charles Darwin Voyage of the Beagle.

Jerrys Journal

Further readings on justification through faith Romans 5:1-11, Galatians 3. Justification is not earned through our own works; rather, we are covered by the righteousness of Jesus Christ (Ephesians 2:8; Titus 3:5). The Christian, being declared right with God is thus freed from the guilt of sin.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal Running out of time!!

Time is running out. Please please help! Can you fill an empty shoebox with small items for the Christmas Shoebox Service?

A small shoebox can have a big impact. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out is eternal.

Operation Christmas Child is part of the Samaritans Purse, which is an international development organisation that works through local churches to proclaim and **demonstrate the love of God amongst communities in Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia.** Leaflets, which detail items to be put in the boxes, are at the back of the Church.

The combined service with St Mary's Church is on **Sunday 19th November at 3.00pm at St Marys Church.**

For more information:

Contact Magda Nicholls on 01692 580002



Items for the Bulletin, our web site and Facebook page can be sent to publicity@stalhambaptist.org.uk
Deadline for the Bulletin is Wednesday 7:00pm. Or call David Child On 07799262645.

Next Week's Service Sunday 29th October

Flowers: Magda Nicholls **Welcome:** David and Fran **Refreshments:** Julia and David