

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin

Sunday January 14th 2018



Pastor: Rev. Ron Skivington

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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship

Simone will be leading and Jerry preaching from Jude 1:20-21 "Build, Pray, Love and Wait."

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.

Monday	15th	Church Open for Prayer Monday After School Club	10.00am - 12noon 3.00pm - 4.30pm	Church Schoolroom
Tuesday	16th	Coffee and Chat	9.30am -11.30am	Stables
Wednesday	17th	Over 60s Table Tennis Prayers for the Persecuted Church	9.30am - 12 noon 10.30 -11.30 am	Schoolroom 6 St. John's Gardens
Thursday	18th	Pop up Café	3.00pm - 4.30pm	Schoolroom
Saturday	20th	Prayer Time	8.00am - 9.00am	Church (Side Door)
Sunday	21st	Sunday Service Church Meeting Pray and Praise	10.45am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Church 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 **Janet and Eileen** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church.

Please pray for the residents of **Bank Street, Dace Terrace and Recreation Road.**

As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **Yvonne Brigstock.**

Please pray for family of **Arthur Wilkins** whose funeral is this week.

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.

From The Virtual Prayer Room

During this week we have been asked to pray for **Jenny Payne** who has been diagnosed with a small benign tumour which is causing hearing loss, tinnitus, balance problems and head aches. If it grows the symptoms will increase. Jenny asks people that they will pray she will have patience and grace to accept her situation as the team at Addenbrookes decide how she should be treated.

Maggie Harpur asks for prayers for her friend Ann and her son Adam who recently attempted suicide. Adam has a wife, son and daughter. The family live in a deprived area of Norwich. Please pray for healing, restoration, peace and protection for the whole family.

Please pray for Luke who helps people using funding from a mental health support company. The company has lost the contract. Luke gave up a well paid job to help others, so prayers please that funding would become available so Luke can continue his much needed work with currently 50 people.

Victoria and Daniel have asked for prayers for Poppy whose Nephrotic Syndrome has gone into relapse. This will mean Poppy will have to go back on the medication which has side effects which have included the blood supply to a bone in her foot to be restricted and it to die, causing her pain and resulting in her limping. This means that Poppy, a very active person has to wear a cast boot to restrict her movement. They would like to thank the fellowship for their continued support.

Jerry's concept of The Virtual Prayer Room is a great success it allows an instant response to requests for help and is a great support for those in need, to know that people are immediately offering prayers to assist them.

To join the ever growing WhatsApp Virtual Prayer Room text Jerry on 07733837687. You will need a smart phone.



Edna Woolsey says: Thank you all so very much for all the prayers, support, telephone calls and cards, I have received on losing my husband Bill. Also for attending his service. A special thanks to Rev. Ron Skivington for a lovely service.

Dates for your Diary

January	Wednesday	24th	Study Group 7.30pm in the Stables
"	Saturday	27th	Norman Lamb Surgery Stables 10.00am - 11.45am contact 01692-403752 for appointment.
February	Wednesday	7th	House Group 50 Brumstead Road.
April	Saturday	14th	Leprosy Mission Coffee Morning, Light Lunch and Bring and Buy Cake Stall Stables 10am - 2pm

B.M.S. Birthday Scheme a total of £161 was raised last year for the scheme by SBC, thank you for all those who contributed.

By giving a gift to the BMS Birthday Scheme every year on your birthday, you're doing something amazing – you're sharing the gift of life. Every gift given to the Birthday Scheme supports B.M.S. life-transforming health work. Your birthday can help medics in Chad keep vulnerable mothers and babies safe in childbirth. It can support children with disabilities in Thailand, providing them with a loving home in a society which often rejects them. And it can help struggling people in Uganda access speech therapy, giving them the opportunity to communicate with the world around them. Every year, Birthday Scheme members donate over £300,000! These gifts are having a huge impact, saving and transforming lives in countries across the world. See Janet Nicholson for more details or call her on 07767432990.



Monthly Prayer Bulletin. If you don't have a Smart Phone to join in the Virtual Prayer Room, Jerry produces a Monthly Prayer Bulletin so as a fellowship we can unite in prayer. If you would like a copy speak to Jerry, he can either supply you with a printed copy or email it to you a copy every month.

John White would like to thank all those who prayed for his daughter Tracey's friend Alan, using the WattsApp Virtual Prayer Room. Alan's daughter Jessie aged 20 died on Christmas Day from double pneumonia after being told she had a chest infection. Alan and Tracey thank you for your prayers and ask for your prayers this week as Jessies funeral is on the 16th January at 9am.

Jerry's Homework

"Take time to think about and write down ways in which you can build yourself in the most Holy faith.

Also think about ways in which you can build others in the fellowship (Romans 14:13-19; 1 Thessalonians 5:10).

Share these with a friend who can keep praying for you throughout the year.

More about praying in harmony with the leading of the Holy Spirit, rather than according to one's own agenda (see Romans. 8:26–27; Ephesians 6:18). Note that the context here is different from the speaking in tongues described in 1 Corinthians. 14:14–19."

Thought for the week

'I don't do "Amen"

Next time you tag the word 'Amen' on to the end of the prayers; just stop and think what you are doing.

Are you meaning it in the Hebrew sense of a request that God hears your prayer (or someone else's), and what you are asking has your full backing; (1 Chronicles 16:36) or are you using it as a religious 'full stop', effectively saying "good bye" to God until the next time you happen to require Him?

Does 'Amen' = "That's Your bit now God, you may go"?

Sadly, I believe that continual, unthinking use of anything devalues its meaning.

The Bible doesn't require or even suggest that we use this 'verbal full stop', so why do **you** use it? (1 Corinthians 14:16)

Quotes of the Week on Deception

"Just because something isn't a lie does not mean that it isn't deceptive. A liar knows that he is a liar, but one who speaks mere portions of truth in order to deceive is a craftsman of destruction."

Criss Jami

"Never attempt to win by force what can be won by deception."

Niccolò Machiavelli, The Prince

"When one with honeyed words, but evil mind persuades the mob, great woes befall the state."

Euripides, Orestes

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Deadline for the Bulletin is Wednesday 7:00pm. Or call David Child On 07799262645.

Next Week's Service 21st January

Flowers: Jane Skivington **Welcome:** Alan and Sheena **Refreshments:** David and Eileen