

# Stalham Baptist Church

## Weekly News Bulletin Sunday February 11th 2018



**Pastor:** Rev. Ron Skivington 01692 582731

**Assistant Pastor:** Jerry Otieno

**Secretary:** Geoff Reynolds 01692 672120

**Ministry Team:** Whole Fellowship

**Barbara will be leading and Ron is preaching from Matthew 13:44-46**

**"How to train your disciples" - Hidden Treasure.**

We would like to offer a very big welcome to any visitor's 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.

### 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 **Jane and Cynthia** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church.

Please pray for the residents of **St John's Road and St John's Gardens**. As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **Carol Croft**.

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.

Please pray for the forthcoming **AGM** that God will bless us with foresight in nominating and electing Deacons.

Please pray for Nick Lear [one of our regional ministers] he is having heart surgery on the Tuesday 13th February.

### Virtual Prayer Room

This week we prayed for **Jan** who fell and broke her wrist and elbow and had to have an operation.

Prayers were said for those we know who are unwell at home, in care homes or in hospital that they may know His peace in their lives.

Prayers continued for **Mark**. An update on Tuesday said "He has had positive days today and yesterday. Hopefully he is now over the complications and the tube down his nose into his stomach and the nutrient bag can come out tomorrow. The doctors are so pleased his new kidney and pancreas are doing amazingly! He now needs to build his body strength up as he hasn't had food or nutrients for 10 days as the nutrient bag constantly made him sick.

Thank you so much for all your prayers. Please continue to pray as there is still a long way to go."



Prayer was posted for **Jerry** for setting up the Virtual Prayer Room that has been so successful. Another said "We are very blessed with the caring and loving people who make our Church. Gods blessing to you all."

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

### Social Media

To reach those outside the church, particularly the younger people in our community, we are using a number of social media platforms. Their use will allow us to bring them the good news of Christ in the belief that it will result in an expanded church fellowship.

Find us on; <https://twitter.com/StalhamChurch>

<https://www.facebook.com/stalhambaptist>

<https://www.instagram.com/stalhambaptistchurch>

All posts to Twitter and Facebook can be read on our web site's home page: <http://www.stalhambaptist.org.uk>

### What's On This Week

#### Monday

*Church Open For Prayer*

10.00 to 12noon

*Monday Club*

3.00 to 4.30pm

In the Schoolroom

*Filling Station*

7.30pm

Hickling Barns

#### Tuesday

*Coffee and Chat*

9.30 to 11.30am

In the Stables

*Prayer for Revival*

Three Windows Brumstead Road

9.30am

#### Wednesday

*Over 60s Table Tennis Club*

9.30 to 12noon

In the Schoolroom

*Valentines Tea*

2.30 to 4.00pm

In the Stables

#### Thursday

*Pop Up Café*

3.00 to 4.30pm

In the Schoolroom

#### Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice

1.15 to 3.00pm

In The Stables

#### Saturday

*Getting together to PRAY!*

8.00 to 9.00am

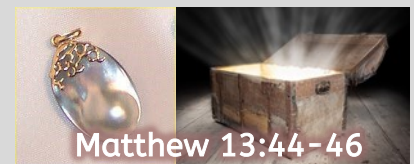
In the Church

(please use the side door)

#### Sunday

*Church Service*

10.45am



**Matthew 13:44-46**

## Women's World Day of Prayer

### Friday 2nd March

This year's service has been prepared by Christian women in Suriname and the theme is "All Gods' Creations is very good!" The joint service will be at 2.00pm at St Mary's Church Stalham. Everyone is welcome.

For more details please speak to Magda Nicholls or call her on 01692-580002 as volunteers are needed to take part in the service. For more background on the Women's World Day of Prayer go to <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/>

### Ladies Breakfast

#### Saturday 24th February

A continental breakfast, lots of chatter and Simone Otieno is the guest speaker. The breakfast is open to all ladies all faiths or no faith. Simone's talk will be very interesting as she has worked in the slums of Nairobi and other areas in the world. Contact Jane Skivington on 01692 582091 if you would like to attend and with any dietary requirements.

### Valentines Tea

#### Wednesday 14th February

Don't miss this weeks Valentines Tea in the Stables between 2.30 and 4.00pm a great choice of sandwiches, scones and cakes. Donations to the building fund. Red roses optional.

### Coffee and Chat

Have recently sent £300 to Salt Malawi, for their feeding programme to help relieve famine. Grateful thanks to all those who continue to bring items for the sales table.

### Maggie Harpur Thought for The Week

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God, Almighty  
Early in the morning, our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity**  
Following on from Ron's talk on Sunday we were reminded of the person of the Holy Spirit. He is able to help us just as lovingly and powerfully today as when He first came to the followers of the Lord Jesus. He it is who joins us together in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, (1 Corinthians 13 v 14 May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all)  
What an important and divine person we have who wants to dwell within us. He is the Spirit of wisdom, of counsel and understanding (Isaiah 11 v2). He is the Spirit of truth (John 14 v17) of comfort (John 14 v26) and He is the Spirit of life (Romans 8 v2). He is the one who reveals the Lord Jesus to us and convicts us of sin and righteousness and so graciously comes to us as the Spirit of love, joy, mercy, help, empowerment and life itself.  
May we desire more of Him in our lives for He brings forth the fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5 v22-23) and the gifts that we need (1 Corinthians 12 v 1-11) for the good of all. May we experience more of His wonderful transforming power in our daily lives. Come Holy Spirit.

*Barbara would like to thank Ron, Jerry, Simone and many in the fellowship for their support and help over the last few weeks.*

## For Your Diary

### Next Week's Service

Flowers: Gillian Meale  
Welcome: Barbara and Sandra  
Refreshments: Anne and Maureen

### Sunday 18th February

#### Prayer and Praise

7.00pm In the Church

### Monday 19th February

#### Funeral of Brenda Stevenson

11.00am in the Church

### Thursday 22nd February

#### Lunch Club AGM

2.00pm In the Stables

### Friday 23rd February

#### Wedding of Ray Read and Marie Crane

2.00pm In the Church

### Saturday 24th February

#### Ladies Breakfast 8.30am in the Stables

### Friday March 2nd

#### Women's World Day of Prayer

2.00pm at St Mary's Church Stalham

### Saturday 14th April

#### Leprosy Mission Coffee Morning

10.00am to 2.00pm In The Stables

### Thursday 26th April

#### Church AGM

Prayers at 7.00pm  
Meeting Starts at 7.30pm

### Ron's Read

Luke 5:1f 9:62, 14:26-33,  
John 6:66f

### Quotes of the Week

"Life's journey is a narrow path that reveals a God to trust. Few take it.

Trust only occurs in a relationship. Our relationship is the pearl of great price that is already buried in the field of our hearts. The journey is the life-long excavation of our heart."

RJ Blizzard

"When the door of opportunity of your storehouse opens for you, let faith and hope enter first. When your faith leads the way, you will locate the source of your hidden treasures."

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