

# Stalham Baptist Church

## Weekly News Bulletin Sunday February 18th 2018



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

**Assistant Pastor:** Jerry Otieno

**Secretary:** Geoff Reynolds 01692 672120

**Ministry Team:** Whole Fellowship

**Simone will be leading and Jerry is preaching from Jude 20-23 "Reaching Out With Mercy" verses 22:23**

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 visitors' 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.

**Today we will be celebrating the Lords Supper, Prayer and Praise is at 7.00pm**

### 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 **Daphne and Barbara** 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 **Esther Curson**.

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 the families and friends of **Brenda Stevenson** and **Gabrielle Pratt** whose funerals are this week.

### Virtual Prayer Room

This week we prayed for **Jenny Payne** who will need 6 monthly MRI scans to monitor her benign brain tumour. She has to be careful about her balance but was advised not to scuba dive, she reports that masterly inactivity is the order of the day. She thanks every one for the prayers.

**Elaine Smith's** father died recently and prayers were said for Elaine and her family and her sister who was traveling from Oklahoma. His funeral will be on March 2nd.

Prayers were also offered for Sandi whose husband Brian was undergoing a biopsy. **Rev Nick Lear** regional minister was prayed for as he underwent heart surgery on Tuesday.

**Mark Stone** returned home from Addenbrookes on Friday amazingly only three weeks from his kidney and pancreas transplant operation. Blood tests on Tuesday showed that his kidney and pancreas were not functioning properly. Mark and Rosanna spent 9 hours in Addenbrookes A&E as there were no beds available. Mark was placed on a general ward at 2.00am. Rosanna wasn't allowed to visit him till 2.00pm the following afternoon and sat outside the ward for 12 hours.

There was much intense praying for Mark and after a CT scan and a biopsy the doctors said the kidney was working well and he has returned home with extra medication. **We are blessed by the power of prayer and the love of God in our fellowship.** Victoria Nicholson would like to thank everyone for the prayers offered for her twin sister's husband.

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

**Ron who is at Foulsham this Sunday says the Valentines Tea raised £134.40 for the building fund and a big big thank you to all that came and helped. It was a lovely afternoon.**



### What's On This Week

#### Monday

*Church Open For Prayer*

10.00 to 12noon

*Funeral of Brenda Stevenson*

11.00am In the Church

*Gabrielle Pratt's funeral*

12.30pm St Mary's Church

*Monday Club*

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

#### Tuesday

*Coffee and Chat*

9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

*Prayer for Revival*

9.30am

Three Windows Brumstead Road

#### Wednesday

*Little Fishes at Pre School*

10.00am

*Over 60s Table Tennis Club*

9.30 to 12noon

In the Schoolroom

*Study Group*

7.00pm 50 Brumstead Road

*Study Group*

7.30pm In the Stables

#### Thursday

*Lunch Club*

12.15pm In the Stables

*And AGM*

2.00pm In the Stables

*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

*Wedding of Ray Read and*

*Marie Crane*

2.00pm In the Church

#### Saturday

*Ladies Breakfast*

8.30am in the Stables

*Getting together to PRAY!*

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

(please use the side door)

#### Sunday

*Church Service 10.45am*

3.30pm Sydney House Service

All Welcome

## 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.

## Lost Property

There are a number of items in the lost property box in the vestry, also an umbrella hanging on a coat peg in the Stables. Please check if anything belongs to you! Unclaimed items will be removed after 11th March.

## Daffodil Picking



We need volunteers to pick and bunch up daffodils as we have done in previous years raising considerable sums on behalf of the building fund. Please speak to Barbara Mixer or John Applegate 07721023341 if you are able to help. Fran who helped pick the flowers last year said "It took less than an hour and was wonderfully therapeutic."

## Tapas Evening in the Stables

We would like to welcome you to join us for some traditional Spanish food and through a PowerPoint presentation given by Maggie Harpur, share her experiences of walking along the **Camino de Santiago Compostela** across northern Spain. On Friday 2nd March at 7.00pm.

Although the Camino is a major Christian pilgrimage from the foothills of the French Pyrenees to Santiago, a journey of 500 miles, thousands of people from all over the world and for many different reasons walk it each year.

If you would like to attend please contact **Lorraine Stuart** on **01692 678058** for catering purposes. Donations may be given to Stalham Baptist Church Building Fund.

## Donations and Offerings

A big thank you for those who contribute to the church funds on a regular basis the monies support the church activities. If you are a tax payer don't forget you can claim tax relief on your donations which benefits SBC by another 25%. Speak to Greg for more details.

## 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/>

*Potter study group, we're meeting Tuesday 20th*

**We are hoping to have a baptism as part of our Easter Sunday service if anybody would like to discuss baptism speak to Ron .**

## For Your Diary

### Next Week's Service

**Flowers:** Wedding  
**Welcome:** Barbara and Sandra  
**Refreshments:** Anne and Maureen

### Monday February 26th

*Deacons Meeting*  
7.30pm in Stables

### Friday March 2nd

*Women's World Day of Prayer*

2.00pm at St Mary's Church Stalham

### Saturday 31st March

**Bounce For Harry**

10.00am to 12 noon In the Stables

### 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

## Thoughts For The Week

**Live in such a way  
that those who know  
you but don't know  
God will come to  
know God because  
they know you.**

**For God to teach you  
real love, He must  
bring unlovely people  
into your life.**

## Jerry's Read

*In what way does Jude v 22-23  
compare with The Parable of the  
sower in Matthew 13 1:9 ?*

## Quotes of the Week

"It's been suggested that successful communication consists of 7 percent content, 38 percent tone of voice, and 55 percent nonverbal communication. We're usually aware of the content of what we're saying, but not nearly as aware of our tone of voice."

*H. Norman Wright, Helping Those Who Hurt:  
Reaching Out to Your Friends In Need*

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