# **Stalham Baptist Church**

Weekly News Bulletin 14th July 2019

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## Ron is leading and is preaching from Amos 8: 1 - 3, 11 - 14 "Do you know what you are holding in your hands?"

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

## For Your Prayers

Please pray for family of **Joan Bolton** whose funeral is Monday During July please pray for the residents of **Upper Staithe Road, Market Row and Rosedale Court.** 

Prayer cards have been given to the **Swan Public House** and **Oasis Indian Restaurant**. As we pray through the new Church Directory, please remember **Greg Chapman**.

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 **Sheena and Barbara** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church.

#### House of Commons Prayer

The present form of prayers probably dates from the reign of Charles II. Let us join in this prayer as the nation confronts the most serious domestic crisis Britain has faced in the modern democratic era.

"Lord, the God of righteousness and truth, grant to our Queen and her government, to Members of Parliament and all in positions of responsibility, the guidance of your Spirit. May they never lead the nation wrongly through love of power, desire to please, or unworthy ideals but laying aside all private interests and prejudices keep in mind their responsibility to seek to improve the condition of all mankind; so may your kingdom come and your name be hallowed. Amen.

## Virtual Prayer Room

On Wednesday evening Jerry posted "It's good to be back home with the family. Unfortunately, I've had to go to N&N to be checked for a possible case of malaria. They are doing a blood test and will let me know about the result soonish. Will let you know how it goes. Please pray for me and my family. Thanks." Amongst the many responses Geoff and Barbara responded "Prayers and virtual hugs from us. Glad your home with the family."

On Thursday morning Jerry posted "I was admitted last night to the acute medical unit with a possible malaria case. However, after another round of tests, the doctor felt that I should be moved to a secluded room as I may have a viral infection. The doctor has now told me the malaria test have come back negative and they need to have a blood specialist to further investigate my case." Jerry was discharged on Thursday evening and is feeling better he will return on Saturday for further reviews and results. **To join the ever growing WhatsApp Virtual Prayer Room text Jerry on 07733837687.** 

### **Church Meeting**

The Church Meeting is on Thursday 25th July at 7.30pm with prayers at 7.00pm.

### Vintage and Collectors Street Market

Rosina is organising a stall in the Street Market on Sunday 18th August 10am to 4.00pm. To raise money for SBC. She urgently requires baskets, tins, pasta, packets of food, any unwanted presents, anything new etc. and cuddly toys. There is a box at the back of the church for items. Please talk to Rosina 01692 581597.

# The Week at SBC

Monday Church Open for Prayer 10.00 to 12noon Monday Club 3.00 to 4.30pm at Youth Club

Tuesday

**Coffee and Chat** 9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

Prayer for Revival 9.30am Three Windows Brumstead Rd

Wednesday

*Over 60s Table Tennis Club* 9.30am to Midday

In the Schoolroom. All Welcome Prayers for Persecuted Church

10.30am St John's Gardens

Thursday

Pop Up Café 3.00 to 4.30pm In schoolroom

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice Service

1.15 to 3.00pm In the Stables

Saturday Getting together to PRAY!

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

Church Walk

10.30am at beach carpark Happisburgh

Sunday Service 10.45am Rivermead House Group 7.00pm

"It is funny how mortals always picture us as putting things into their minds: in reality our best work is done by keeping things out." *C.S. Lewis, The Screwtape Letters* 

## Norfolk Day Cream Tea Afternoon and Quiz

Jane Skivington is organising a Norfolk Day celebration on Friday 26th July featuring cream teas and a Norfolk quiz in the schoolroom from 2.30 to 4.30pm. All welcome, please let Jane know if you wish to come for catering purposes. Donations will be going to Click Sargent a young people's cancer charity. CLIC Sargent fights tirelessly to stop cancer destroying young lives. They know everyone is different, so they work hard to help when each child and young person needs it most.

## **News Stand**

**Our Church walking group** will be meeting on Saturday July 20th at 10.30am at the Beach Car Park in Happisburgh. We will walk to Cart Gap and back, its not a long walk so come and join us for a time of fellowship in beautiful surroundings. Bring your lunch if you want. Jean M. 01493-740937

### Reminders

**Pat and Alan's** fund-raising summer afternoon BBQ is on Saturday 20th July. The price has been held for another year at £8 for adults, £4 for children aged 5 to 15 and under 5s free. Tickets are available from Pat this Sunday. All the details are on the tickets.

**Eric's 80th Birthday Party** - Saturday July 27<sup>th</sup>. Afternoon tea to be held at Osprey Close Hoveton, between 3pm and 6 pm. No gifts: donations to Cancer research. To help with catering please let Christine Emerson know you are attending on 01692-407629.

**Volunteers to clean and tidy** the church premises during Nancy's holiday weeks beginning 15th and 22nd July. Please speak to Monica if you are able to help either or both of weeks.

Holiday Club '19 update. THANKS to all who have given nail polish so generously, we now have enough. However, bottle tops (plastic) of all sizes and colours are still needed, as are face paints, Hama beads and loom bands. If you have a Holiday Club T shirt (blue with church logo) and won't be at HC this year please give it to Barbara R. . **Registration form goes onto the website next Friday!** Please keep praying and THANKS AGAIN. **Prayers for the Persecuted Church** at the home of Eileen and David on Wednesday 17th July, 10.30-11.30 am.

Cromer Food Bank **A Thank You to** Stalham Baptist Church During June you contributed 22.1kg of food which helped towards a monthly total of 2112.3 kg. We totally rely on donations, both food and financial, to operate and we are extremely grateful when people choose to support us. So thank you for thinking of us and enabling us to serve the people in crisis across our district. Thank you for your support and generosity without which the foodbank work would not be possible. During July, the following items would be particularly welcome: *Tinned Fruit, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Meat, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Fish, Pasta Sauce, Long Life Fruit Juice, Cuppa Soup, Instant Snacks – add hot water, Sponge Puddings, Custard, Jam, Biscuits, Chocolate, Deodorant, Shampoo, Shower Gel, Washing Up Liquid, Washing Powder/Liquid – non bio, Toilet Rolls, Baby Wipes.* Please place your donations in the box at the back of the church.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

The Church Directory is now available to download from the Church Forum: https://forum.stalhambaptist.org.uk To gain access to the file you must register on the forum using the address the church has in its records. The registration process includes clicking a link in an email which will be sent to you. Some will find that email is treated as spam. Be prepared to check your spam folder if it does not arrive in a few minutes.

#### A printed copy will be available in the next couple of weeks.

Sunday Service July 21st

Flowers:Julia MaileWelcome:Maureen and CyrilRefreshments:Elaine and Maggie

For Your Diary Thursday 25th July

*Church Meeting* 7.30pm in the Church

Prayers beforehand 7.00pm School Holidays Start

## Friday July 26th

Norfolk Day Celebration 2.30 to 4.30pm in the Schoolroom

Monday August 5th Deacons Meeting 7.30pm in the Stables

Monday August 12th

Holiday Club Starts 9.30am

# **Ron's Extra Reads**

Exodus 12, Romans 11: 7–10, 25 Deuteronomy 32:45-47, 8:3 Lamentations 3:22-3

#### **Quotes of the Week**

"One must face the fact that all the talk about His love for men, and His service being perfect freedom, is not (as one would gladly believe) mere propaganda, but an appalling truth. He really does want to fill the universe

with a lot of loathsome little replicas of Himself—creatures, whose life, on its miniature scale, will be qualitatively like His own, not because He has absorbed them but because their wills freely conform to His. We want cattle who can finally become food; He wants servants who can finally become sons. We want to suck in, He wants to give out. We are empty and would be filled; He is full and flows over. Our war aim is a world in which Our Father Below (the devil) has

drawn all other beings into himself: the Enemy (God) wants a world full of beings united to Him but still distinct." *C.S. Lewis, The Screwtape Letters* 

It does not matter how small the sins are provided that their cumulative effect is to edge the man away from the Light and out into the Nothing. Indeed the safest road to Hell is the gradual one—the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts, *C.S. Lewis, The Screwtape Letters* 

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