Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin 6th October 2019

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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship



Barbara is leading and Ron is preaching from Colossians 2: 4 -10 "Jesus is fully God"

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 the family of **John Austrin** who died last Monday and whose funeral will be on Friday 11th 4.15pm at St Faith's

Please pray also in October for the residents of **Millside, Lawns Loke and Railway Mews**

Prayer cards have been given to **Eden Plants Home - Garden and Café Charlotte** both to be found in High Street Stalham.

Please pray for all those in the fellowship who are unwell or waiting for medical help.

As we pray through the new Church Directory, please remember **Mike and Sandra Feek.** 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.

Half Term Holiday Club. On Thursday 24th October from 9.30 to 11.30 we are Holiday Clubbing again. If you are free to help - or know children aged 5 to 11 who might like to attend - have a chat to Barbara Reynolds. Prayers please for this new venture.

Amy English first tour of The Hiding Place an evangelical play, starts at Mildenhall, which is about an hour from Stalham. It is on 8th November and tickets can be bought at http://oddments-theatre.co.uk/book-tickets/ Please pray for Amy on her new adventure.

We live in a world of constant media messaging, often designed to corrupt, mislead and manipulate. Many in power believe if you say something long enough and often enough it becomes the truth. Lord I pray that I can, with your guidance, see through the statements of self-centred ambition and destruction. Romans 12; 2 ERV "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."

Virtual Prayer Room

On Saturday 28th Jill asked for prayers for her grandson Jack and his twin William. Jack aged 3 was scheduled to have a kidney removed on Monday and William would miss his company. On Tuesday she reported the operation had gone well. On Wednesday Jill posted "Please more prayers for Jack. Now he has an infection and a high temperature."

Also on Tuesday Jan and Henry asked "Please pray for Trish and Bob who have bought the house next door. Bob is very ill due to heart problems and doctors can't do much for him."

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

New Church Service "Connect" a Great Success

The new service Connect was a big success. With around 30 people attending. Josh said "We had tea and coffee and nice snacks. We had a few new faces and one new family. There was a great team of people that helped to put the service together."

If anyone is interested in helping at the next Connect service let Josh or Jerry know. The prayer meeting on Monday attracted 12 people, prayers were said for the church and people in local community.

A Busy Week at SBC

Monday

Church Open for Prayer

10.00 to 12noon

Monday Club

3.00 to 4.30pm In schoolroom

Deacons Meeting

7.30pm in the Stables

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

Study Group

7.30pm in the Stables

All welcome

Thursday

Stalham Infant School Harvest Service

In the Church 9.15am

Lunch Club

12.00 for 12.30pm in the Stables

Pop Up Cafe

3.00 to 4.30pm In schoolroom

Filling Station Prayers

7.30 in the Stables

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice Service

1.30 to 3.00pm In the Stables

Saturday

Getting together to PRAY!

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

Out of Egypt Gospel Evening

In the Church 7.00pm

Sunday

Church Service 10.45am
Church Meeting 12.30pm

If you have a T-loop facility on your hearing aid, and wish to use this, you will get the best reception in the church if you sit close to the walls as the 'loop' is transmitted from the conduit around the edge. We hope this will enable you to enjoy our services more.

Reminders

Leprosy Mission catalogues are available at the back of the church. Orders given to Barbara Reynolds will result in profits for our church as well as the Leprosy Mission. Items not in the catalogue, but listed online, can also be ordered this way - and there is no postage to pay! P.S. (Fairtrade chocolate real advent calendars containing the Christmas story book are on page 18.)

Church Meeting

Copies of the agenda for today's Church Meeting can be found at the back of the church.

Shoe Box Appeal

Christmas Shoebox Appeal Can you fill an empty shoebox with small items for the Christmas Shoebox Service? It is a combined service at St Mary's Church Sunday 17th November at 3.00pm. Leaflets, which detail items to be put in the boxes, are at the back of the Church. For more information: Contact Magda Nicholls on 01692 580002

OUT OF EGYPT CONCERT 12th October 2019



'Out of Egypt' are to do an anniversary concert at SBC on 12th October 2019. The band, of which 4 members are part of this church, initially got together last summer and have had an exciting year; doing assemblies at several primary schools and conducting a Sunday service at a prison, as

well as playing at the Filling Station and St Mary's Church Hickling. Two days were also spent at Easter time at a recording studio making a demonstration CD which has been aired on Faithful Radio. Throughout the year Gary, our guitarist has also been busy writing new songs and some of these will feature in the concert. Ian Boughton (who some of you may know) will be doing a 20 minute slot at the start of the evening and our own Daniel Nicholson will be giving a short testimony. The band do not take a fee and all monies raised through donations on the night will be given to church funds. For further information about the band you can visit www.outofegypt.org.uk or our Facebook page.

Filling Station



David Osbourne writes. Last month we had a very moving and emotional testimony from Chantell Hayles telling how her whole life experience has been completely transformed since she accepted Jesus Christ into her life. A little delayed a recording of her testimony is now available on our web site.

On Monday October 14th we are looking

forward to welcoming a young man, pictured here, called Robert Bragg. Robert grew up in London and became embroiled in the violent world of teenage gangs. He freely admits he stabbed his first victim when he was twelve years old but, over time, he found the gang lifestyle did not offer what it promised; instead he felt scared and vulnerable. Although Robert had hurt many people, inside he too felt very hurt and it was this feeling that prompted him to turn to God and seek a fresh start. Now he sees himself as a Christian with a sense of belonging to a new 'gang' and a gang united by loving and being loved by God. This gang can be sure that no matter what took place in the past, forgiveness through Jesus is freely given.

Do come and hear this remarkable young man's story and bring a friend along as well. Also, feel free to join us in The Stables on Thursday 10th October to pray for Robert and the NBFS.

If you are unable to join us please make time to pray for the meeting in your own private prayer time. Every blessing, David Osbourne.

Sunday Service October 13th

Flowers: Magda Nicholls
Welcome: Maureen B and Jane

Refreshments: Dan and Sue

For Your Diary
Monday October 14th
Filling Station
6.30 for 7.00pm Hickling Barn
Monday October 21st
School Holidays Begin
Thursday October 24th

Holiday Club 9.30 to 11.30am in the Church

Sunday October 27th
Summer Time Ends
Saturday November 9th
Men's Breakfast

In the Stables 8.30am

Saturday November 16th

60s Evening
7.00pm in the Church

Ron's Extra Read Colossians 1:15-17, 1 Corinthians 15:1f

Quotes of the Week

"Culture gives opportunity. It does not take away the free will of the individual. That would be a violation of God's design."

Bill Johnson,

"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*

"Few will have the greatness to bend history itself, but each of us can work to change a small portion of events. It is from numberless diverse acts of courage and belief that human history is shaped. Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centres of energy and daring those ripples build a current which can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance."

Robert F. Kennedy

"I realize that true success is not measured in the number of people who attend church on a Sunday, as good a thing as that may seem. Success in God's eyes is seen in the impact the message of the Kingdom has on how people think and live in my city, region and nation." *Bill Johnson*.