

Editorial

Welcome to this edition of articles and book reviews from The Salvation Army's William Booth College (WBC). The articles reflect some of the areas of research engaged by Salvationists whose work has been sponsored by The Salvation Army through WBC's School for In Service Training and Development (SISTAD). It is hoped that this journal will raise peoples' awareness, inform their thinking and inspire them to delve more deeply into the subjects presented.

In this edition:

[Deborah Bungay](#) (pages 4-20) investigates the benefits of Continued Professional Development (CPD) to the pastoral practice of Salvation Army Officers. She hopes that this article will draw attention to the benefits of CPD and inspire officers to engage with it and embed learning into their ministry practice.

[Michael Hutchings](#) (pages 21-43) asks what kind of leaders The Salvation Army needs in the United Kingdom in the twenty-first century. Following an analysis of Pauline perspectives on Christian leadership, developing Salvation Army perspectives on leadership are explored and various practical and ecclesiological tensions identified. He identifies the need to re-imagine leadership while remaining true to scripture and the essence of the Army.

[Lindy Rose](#) (pages 44-66) seeks to explore the question 'What does brokenness look like?' Using Jackson Pollock's 'action painting' as methodology, supplemented by an artistic journal, a dialogue is created which explores the relevance of action painting as a legitimate method of theological reflection and personal spiritual discovery.

[Mark Scott](#) (pages 67-79) searches for commonality between two groups: new monastic communities and The Salvation Army and aims to discern whether despite differences they can inform each other's practice. He concludes that new monastic communities within the context of The Salvation Army are possible.

[Ellie Shakespeare](#) (pages 80-95) examines how the practice of the early Church, as described in Acts 2 and 4, can illuminate and critically evaluate capitalism. She

explores how we might live abundant and full lives in a socio-economic, political and cultural milieu where scarcity and competition are central tenets.

Two helpful book reviews intended to inspire are provided by [Rebecka Cotterill](#) and [Helen Froud](#).

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