



Love God
Love Others



Ramsgate Salvation Army

Sunday 3rd July 2022

A warm welcome as we gather as the family of God today,
especially if you are not normally with us on a Sunday.

May we all feel the welcome of God and each other.

We meet at The Salvation Army Hall Sunday 10.30 am.

Also Sunday worship is livestreamed on  **YouTube**

You can find a link on the Ramsgate Salvation Army page

www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ramsgate

EMPOWERED SMALL GROUPS



25 baby apple trees

“Small groups are not a ministry of the church, small groups are not a programme of the church, small groups are not an outreach of the church, small groups are not an event of the church, small groups are the CHURCH.”

“I think more people are going to be brought to Christ through the relationships in small groups than any front door evangelism in the next 15-20 years.” Rick Warren

What's happening at Ramsgate Salvation Army?

Sunday 3 rd July (10.30 am)	Prayer in community Hall from 10.10 Sunday Worship and Sunday School
Monday to Friday (6.30am-9am)	Breakfast Drop-in
Monday (9.30 am – 11.30 am)	Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler group)
Tuesday (9am to 12 noon)	Food Parcel Preparation
Tuesday (11am)	PRAYERS - NEW TIME AND NEW FORMAT
Tuesday (12 noon)	Light Lunch
Tuesday (12.30 pm)	Bible Study at hall
Tuesday (7.00 pm)	ZOOM bible study (8651865167)
Wednesday (11 am)	Friendship Club & Luncheon Club
Thursday	Carl and Heather on Holiday – Hannah's graduation Forward Trust at hall (9-5)
Friday (10am - 12 noon)	Food Bank
Friday (6.00pm)	KIDS Club
Sunday 10 th July (10.30am)	Worship and Sunday School led by Major John – Carl and Heather leading a retirement meeting in North Walsham

COMING SOON

Prize Giving – 17th July – followed by Church picnic and BBQ
Pastoral Care Training – start date to be confirmed

SUMMER TRIPS

CAN YOU HELP? (SIGN UP SHEETS on TABLE)

Collecting Sainsbury (21st -23rd July) **Sainsbury's**

The Carnival (31st July)



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Flowers for this week are thanks to **XXX**

Birthdays

Jonah Barrett	Monday 4-July
Hayden Beerling	Monday 4-July
Eliza Hollick	Monday 4-July
Maria Brown	Tuesday 5-July
Brenda Hall	Tuesday 5-July
Miroslav Drobul	Thursday 7-July
Jean Spearing	Tuesday 12-July

We pray by name for

Brenda Austin. We thank God for a successful operation and pray for a full recovery.

For **David Miles** who finally has an operation date of Tuesday 5th July.

For **Ilona** as she leaves Ramsgate on Monday to start a new life in Germany with Alex.

For **Phillip** who has been transferred for respite care to Westbrook House.

For **Ron Summers** who has a further eye cancer operations on 8th and 15th July. For **David Gill** who entered Pilgrim's Hospice Saturday 25th June.

For **Sheila** recovering at home. For Sheila's friend **Marilyn** now receiving care at home. For **Alison** following the premature birth of her baby. Pray for her, her husband Dean and baby Joseph

Lowen, a young friend of Mel and Daniel, aged 3, who is receiving further intensive chemotherapy in Royal Marden Hospital in London for the next two weeks. Pray too for his mum Joyce. Janet's son **Richard** awaiting an MRI scan in July. For **Cathy and Paul**, friends of **Douglas** who are nearing end of life.

Continued prayers for **Sasha**. Pray for complete healing.

For **Jenny**, a friend of Isobel. For **Jean Spearing** awaiting several tests.

We continue to uphold **John McCairn** and **Jan** waiting for medical treatment.

We thank God for **Cheryl's** recovery and pray now for her friend **Paul** who is very poorly with Covid – they are now both isolating.

Finally a friend of Douglas who is in need of much prayer support at this time.

Continue to pray for **Nick**, the lead chaplain at Elmley,

We welcome Nicole home and she sends thanks from her Hadda for our prayers during her illness, she is now back at home

DON'T FORGET to pray continually for THE UKRAINE



**Dacia will enter hospital next week for the birth of their daughter.
Pray for Dacia, Ambrose and their new child**

Lord, we praise you for loving Dacia, Ambrose and their baby. Each moment ahead of them is being cradled in Your good hands.

Help them not to be anxious. Remove from them a heart of fear and replace it with Your peace; that passes all understanding! Hold Dacia's hand and lead her.

Allow Dacia the endurance that comes from you and keep her safe. Watch over her baby and allow her to be born under the best of circumstances.

May Your will be done, Lord. Give Dacia a sense of calm and purpose as she goes through labour and delivery.

Thank you for this new life that you have knit together in Dacia's womb so perfectly. We are all fearfully and wonderfully made. May Dacia feel your presence today in new and excellent ways. May she I know that You never leave her or forsake her.

Amen

“Small groups are "a church in microcosm," meaning you can expect everything that characterize the church as a whole to function, with slight variations, at the small group level, nurturing the heads, hands and hearts of the participants, working to bring these three dimensions into balance” Christian Schwartz



Small groups are not new to The Salvation Army nor to Ramsgate Salvation Army. It’s likely that you are part of a small group – but the question for us all – is it working?

Which group(s) are you part of?

Sunday Prayer Group	Friendship Club	Food Collection Team
Sunday School	Songsters	Cleaners/Hall set up
Little Fishes	Band	Bible Studies
Drop-in Breakfast	Food Bank	War Cry Selling
Alpha	KidzClub	NEW SMALL GROUPS
ACE Overcomers	Saturday Tabletop Sales	Youth
Volunteers	Café Church	Pastoral carers
Membership Group	Leadership Groups PCC CC	Building Project
Light lunch	Finance Team/Administration	Healthy Church Team
Hospitality	Shelter Support	The Well
		Contemporary Music

How Holistic is the group?

Does your small group address the life issues of its members?

Are the following Healthy Church qualities evident in the small group?

1. Empowering leadership – Are others being empowered to lead?
2. Effective structures – Is it growing?
3. Passionate spirituality – Is prayer at the heart? Are people growing spiritually?
4. Need- orientated evangelism – Is there a sharing of faith?
5. Inspiring worship – Do people meet with Jesus?
6. Loving relationships – Is the group inclusive? Are people welcomed and supported?
Is the group fun?
7. Gift based ministry – Are people able to use their spiritual gifts/ skills? Are people feeling fulfilled?



Yesterday was Founder's Day when we remember Catherine and William Booth who on that day in 1865, through preaching the gospel in London, England, began a work that would lead to the establishment of the Salvation Army.

'Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me.' Matthew 25:34-36 (NLT)

William Booth grew up in Nottingham, England, in the mid-19th century. He found faith early and was an active Methodist, drawn to street preaching. As a teenager he apprenticed in a Pawnbroker's shop and was disturbed by the poverty he witnessed.

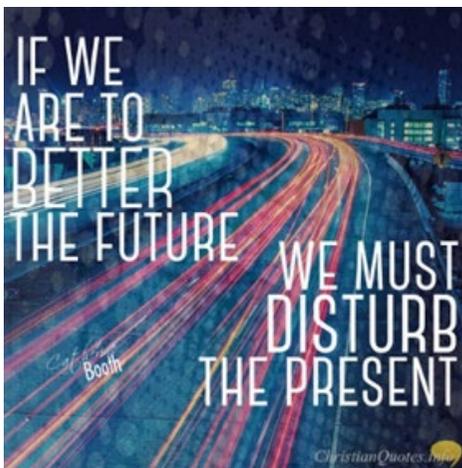
Catherine Mumford was raised a dedicated Christian with a commitment to personal holiness. An avid reader and

thinker, Catherine was immediately impressed by the young preacher William Booth.

Married in 1855, Catherine and William were a force to be reckoned with. Together they dedicated their lives to bringing the transforming power of the gospel to the people who needed it most.

On 2nd July, in 1865, outside The Blind Beggar pub in London, William Booth began preaching to crowds of people. This work would lead to many being saved and to the founding of the Christian Mission, later renamed The Salvation Army.

As Catherine and William shared the message of Jesus in a way ordinary people could understand and relate to, their work grew. Despite criticism and opposition from people who disagreed with their methods, the Booths welcomed everyone, especially people who felt rejected or unwelcome in more traditional churches.



Catherine Booth once said, 'To better the future we must disturb the present.'

In the early years of The Salvation Army, William, Catherine and others caused many 'disturbances'...

In a time when women were often not permitted to

teach, Catherine disturbed social and theological norms by preaching and seeing people saved alongside her husband.

Catherine and William disturbed the business world when they campaigned for safer working conditions for suffering workers in matchstick factories. They even provided better employment by launching their own brand of matches, 'Lights in Darkest England'.

The Booths disturbed the hidden sex industry of their day too. They worked with a journalist to expose how easy it was to traffic vulnerable young women and protested in parliament demanding change.

Catherine and William Booth noticed injustice, pain and struggle, in the lives of the people around them and they did something about it.

Are you challenged by Catherine's words, 'To better the future we must disturb the present.'

What does this mean for me today? What needs to be disturbed in my life to set God's direction for my future?

God, I ask You to show me.

Where is there injustice, pain and struggle in my nation? Maybe even in my local community?

God, I ask You to disturb me. Help me not to walk on by or look the other way. Move my heart and inspire my mind -

what role can I play in Your plans for the people affected by this issue?

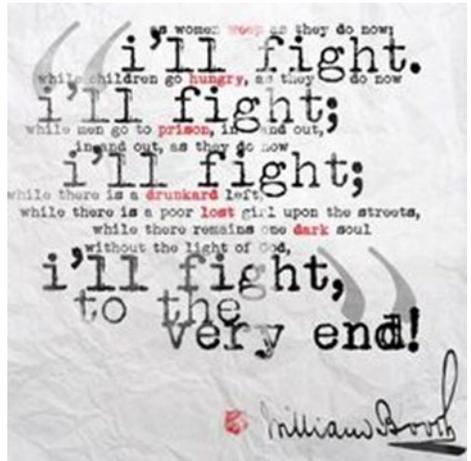
On 9th May 1912, William Booth spoke these stirring words in his final address to thousands of Salvationists:

While women weep as they do now, I'll fight;

while little children go hungry as they do now, I'll fight;

while men go to prison, in and out, in and out, as they do now, I'll fight;

while there is a drunkard left, while there is a poor lost girl upon the streets, while there remains one dark soul without the light of God, I'll fight - I'll fight to the very end!



Three months later, William Booth was promoted to glory. Over a century after his death, William's words inspire Christians from many streams of the Church and capture the heart of The Salvation Army which continues to work in over a hundred nations today.

Lord, I want to dedicate my life to others, just like the Booths. I know that I am too attached to my own comfort and concerns, so disturb me, Lord. Open my eyes to the injustice, pain and struggle around me. Equip me to take the

transforming power of the gospel to the people who need it most.

whatever [I do] for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, [I do] for [Jesus].Matthew 25:40 (NIVUK)

Some words from Catherine and William Booth

The greatness of a man's power is the measure of his surrender.

I don't believe in any religion apart from doing the will of God.

If I thought I could win one more soul to the Lord by walking on my head and playing the tambourine with my toes, I'd learn how!' (William Booth speaking to the young Rudyard Kipling)

Go
and
Do
Something

What the Lord wants is, that you shall go about the business to which He sets you, not asking for an easy post, nor grumbling at a hard one. (W.B.)

Work as if everything depended upon work and pray as if everything depended upon prayer.

William Booth

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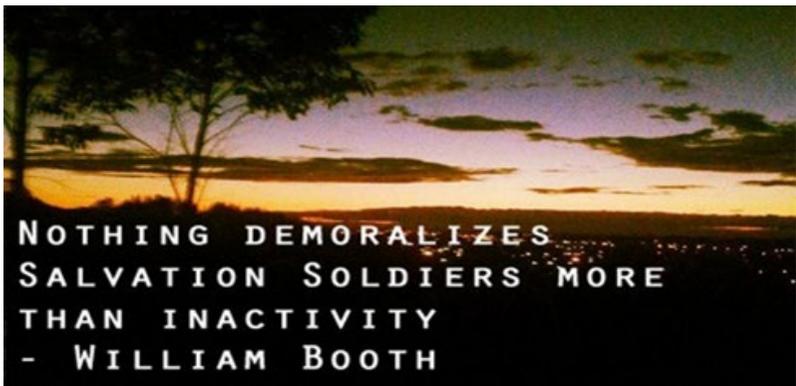
'Nobody gets a blessing if they have cold feet and nobody ever got saved while they had toothache!'

Faith and works should travel side by side, step answering to step, like the legs of men walking. First faith, and then works; and then faith again, and then works again--until they can scarcely distinguish which is the one and which is the other.



“The strength of The Army is built on two words; love and obedience.”

Here is the principle – adapt your measures to the necessity of the people to whom you minister. You are to take the Gospel to them in such modes and circumstances as will gain for it from them a hearing.



**NOTHING DEMORALIZES
SALVATION SOLDIERS MORE
THAN INACTIVITY
- WILLIAM BOOTH**

“The chief danger of the twentieth century will be: religion without the Holy Ghost, Christianity without Christ, forgiveness without repentance, salvation without regeneration, heaven without hell.”

William Booth

founder of the Salvation Army



A salvation that does not lead to service is no salvation at all.

Catherine Booth

