

# **The Salvation Army** **BOSCOMBE** Palmerston Road [www.salvationarmy.org.uk/boscombe](http://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/boscombe)

## **Sunday 31 December 2023**

**11.00am – Morning Worship led by  
Majors David and Jane Alton**



**To KNOW Christ ~ To LIVE Christ ~ To SHARE Christ**

# **BOSCOMBE CORPS NEWS**

## **Prayer Requests**

We have a number of our corps family who need our prayers:

- 🌸 Please continue to pray for Daniel Bentley, Michael Thierry, Nola and Megan Main.
- 🌸 Please continue to pray for all those who have been bereaved recently.
- 🌸 Please pray for those who are unable to join us for worship and in particular for our shut-ins and those in Nursing/Care Homes.

## **Funeral arrangements for Envoy Doug Barlow**

The Funeral and Thanksgiving services for Envoy Doug Barlow will take place on Thursday 4 January. Major Emanuel Carpagnano will conduct the services at 10.00am at the New Milton Crematorium and 11.30am at the Lymington United Reformed Church followed by refreshments. A Thanksgiving Service will follow at 3.30pm at Boscombe Salvation Army Hall led by Commissioner Charles Swansbury. Please continue to pray for Ruth and the rest of the family at this time of bereavement.

## **People News**

It is with sadness that we inform you of the Promotion to Glory of Dennis Evans (Bandmaster Howard Evan's father). Dennis died on Thursday 21 December. Please keep Howard and Heather, Margaret (Howard's mother) and the rest of the family in your prayers at this time of bereavement.

Lord, whether we're leaving behind a year of joy and blessing or trials and difficulties, we pause to give thanks. We thank you that you are always with us every single day of every single year. Please remind us of your presence in the year ahead, even when life is busy. We are so thankful that we serve a God who makes things new and gives us the grace of fresh starts and new beginnings. Be glorified in our lives this year. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Heather C King



# **PRAYER MATTERS**

Compiled by Lynne Allcock

**Hello, I Hope you've had a Blessed Christmas sharing with friends, family and Church folk, celebrating the birth of Christ. Now we look forward to 2024 with all its challenges and potential. A few inspirational quotes this week to start the new year.**

*Bible verse for the week: 'In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths'. (Proverbs 3:6)*

**Monday 1 January** – Edith Lovejoy Pierce: 'We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called '*Opportunity*' and its first chapter is New Year's Day'. Pray that God will give you many opportunities to serve Him this year and the grace to seize the opportunity.

**Tuesday 2 January** – Nina Simone: 'It's a new dawn, It's a new day, It's a new life, For me. And I'm feeling good'. Pray for the confidence to step out into 2024 with the assurance that God is with you all the way. Life is good, so feel good!

**Wednesday 3 January** – W.E.B. Du Bois: 'The most important thing to remember is this: To be ready at any moment to give up what you are for what you might become'. Pray that you will continue your journey of discipleship and become the person God wants you to be.

**Thursday 4 January** – Brad Paisley: 'Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365-page book. Write a good one!' Pray for God's guidance in all that you do, think or say.

**Friday 5 January** – Anon: 'Be the reason someone feels welcomed, seen, heard, valued, loved and supported'. Pray for compassion to love the unloved, to care and be kind, to go the extra mile, to listen and be aware of the needs of others.

**Saturday 6 January** – Mark Twain: 'Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones that you did do. So, throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbour. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover'. Pray for vision to explore new opportunities and challenges and then for the willingness to follow God where He leads you.


**Sunday 7 January** – Alfred Lord Tennyson: 'Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come, whispering, "It will be happier"'. My Prayer for you is that 2024 will bring you closer to our Heavenly Father. That His peace and presence will surround you, and that you will experience His love and grace in your life.

***Happy New Year!***

# **BOSCOMBE CORPS PROGRAMME**

## **This Week's Programme**

### **Week beginning 1 January 2024**

All Week	BH1 Project – 10.00am to 2.00pm
Thursday 4	YP Band Practice – 6.15pm Band Practice – 7.45pm
Friday 5	Lunch Club – 10.30am
Sunday 7	<p><u>Covenant Sunday</u> Prayer Meeting – 9.45am Majors David and Jane Alton – 11.00am</p>  <p>The poster for Covenant Sunday 2024 features a yellow background with abstract orange and blue circular patterns. In the center, two hands are shown reaching towards each other. The text 'COVENANT SUNDAY 2024' is prominently displayed, along with the Salvation Army logo and the motto 'Love God Love Others'. Below this, a quote reads: 'A day to remember God's never-ending love, and commit the year ahead to him.' The date '7th January 2024' is also included.</p>

## **Future Events**

### **January 2024**

Sunday 14	Commissioners Charles and Denise Swansbury – 11.00am
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