

The Salvation Army
B  **SCOMBE**
Palmerston Road
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Sunday 5 May 2024

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



6.00pm – Bible Study






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 pray for Howard Wood who is awaiting results following recent surgery, for Doug Lawrence who has had a stroke and is in hospital, for Major Sue Randall and Sheila Moxham who are both in hospital, for Jay King who has been in hospital with a chest infection, for Christine Fletcher and Ian Black.
-  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 Details for Len Griggs

The funeral is to be held on Thursday 9 May commencing at 3.00pm at the New Forest Crematorium followed by a Thanksgiving Service at Boscombe Salvation Army at 4.30pm. Both services are being conducted by Majors David and Jane. Please pray for Margaret and the rest of the family at this time of bereavement.

Gala Concert by Bournemouth Area Fellowship Band

Bournemouth Area Fellowship Band are presenting a concert together with St George's Singers (a Christian Choir) and the St James Academy Junior School Choir on **Friday 10 May @ 7.00pm** here at the Corps. Donation tickets priced £5 can be purchased at the door (plus a collection for the Dorset Children's Foundation).

Coffee Morning

Our next social event will be a coffee morning on **Saturday 18 May from 10.00am until 12 noon**. As well as bacon and sausage baps on sale there will also be a cake stall. If anyone is able to make some cakes for the cake stall, please speak to Ruth Wright or Tracey Hannah. **Don't forget to 'Have Your Say' by posting your ideas in the red post box in the foyer. Thank you!**

Jigsaw Sale

Joy Whittingham is holding a jigsaw sale at her house on **Saturday 18 May from 11.00am to 2.00pm**. All money raised is for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance charity. For more information, please speak to Joy or see the poster on the noticeboards.

Gardening with Care

Whether you need a complete garden clearance or a regular garden maintenance plan, why not contact Dan at Gardening with Care on 07842 697763. Dan used to work at BH1 so is well-known by several of our congregation. Dan is offering a 10% discount for anyone connected to the Corps. For more information, please read the flyer on the noticeboards.

Recovery Church Group (BH1)

We are looking for volunteers to go on a cake rota to provide homemade cakes for the clients who join us at Coffee, Cake and Faith being held at BH1 on a Thursday afternoon. Please speak to Joanne if you are able to help in this way.

PRAYER MATTERS

Compiled by Lynne Allcock

Hello! How's your year been so far? It hardly seems possible that it's four months since I last shared some thoughts with you through our 'Prayer Matters'. This week I'm focussing on the phrase 'Living in God's presence.' I hope you find these thoughts useful.

Bible verse for the week: 'You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures for evermore'. (Psalm 16:11)

Monday 6 May – Do you experience the presence of God in your daily life? Or do you go full steam ahead into the day tumbling from one moment to the next throughout the busyness of life's demands? I can't answer these questions for you, but I know that for me there are times when I am well into morning before I thank God for His presence and ask Him to spend the day with me. Suddenly, life seems so much better, still as hectic mind you, but in a calmer sort of way knowing I'm not on my own. Read James 4 v 7-8.

Tuesday 7 May – Facing the unknown is a scary proposition and yet we all must experience this in our life at some time. The apprehension of a new job or a new boss, going to a new College or University, moving house or even to a new part of the country, meeting new people, starting on a new project at work or in Church, and so the list continues. I have a verse for you today that will give you confidence and make the unknown seem less formidable. Read Deuteronomy 31 v 8.

Wednesday 8 May – Our ever-present God is always by our side we just need to reach out and touch Him through prayer, spending time in quietness, reading our bible, listening to music, or sharing with other Christians. I am so grateful for our God who understands how important it is for Him to always be there for us whenever we need Him. Aren't you? Read Joshua 1 v 9.

Thursday 9 May – Spending time in God's presence is essential to our Christian journey. If you don't spend time with a person, how can you get to know them? And so then, if you don't spend time with God, how do you expect to know Him. Maybe you set time aside each day for your devotions, maybe you pray at the start of each day, maybe you sit with a cuppa and take a break just resting in His presence. However, and whenever we spend time in His presence, we get to know Him better. Prayer: *Dear Lord, help me to set aside moments when I can be still and rest in Your presence. Amen.*

Friday 10 May – Bill Hybels writes: 'When you practice being aware of God's presence, you pick up His signals throughout the day. At work, at home, in your car or wherever you are, you begin a dialogue with God. It has nothing to do with being in a church building or on your knees. It has to do with God's presence in and around you'. Prayer: *Lord, help me to be so in tune with You that I pick up Your signals throughout my day. A guiding, calming influence in all that comes my way. Amen.*

Saturday 11 May – I guess, like me, you have experienced difficult times in your life, and no doubt difficulties will come our way in the future. In 1 Peter chapter 4, the message translation, we read, 'Friends, when life gets really difficult, don't jump to the conclusion that God isn't on the job'. Remember that God's prevailing power is released through prayer. He's interested in you and your need. So, hang in there, rest in His presence and tell Him how you're feeling. How does that saying go? ... 'A problem shared is a problem halved!' God certainly brings perspective into our lives.

Sunday 12 May – 'It is time that I still my restless heart and quiet my overambitious spirit' (Psalm 13 v 2), It's Sunday, take time out, quieten your mind and still your restless heart. Rest in God's presence. '**God spoke to me today; He broke through my childish doubts with words of comfort and assurance. 'Hang in there, sit tight; stick to my course in your life,' He said, 'I will not let you down.'** I know that God is with me today, just as surely as He was with His saints of old. I have no reason to fear or doubt the eternal love and presence of my Lord'. (Selected verses from Psalm 110, the 'Psalms now' version).

BOSCOMBE CORPS PROGRAMME

This Week's Programme

Week beginning 6 May 2024	
Tuesday 7 to Saturday 11	BH1 Project – 10.00am to 2.00pm
Tuesday 7	Songster Small Groups – 8.00pm
Wednesday 8	Tiny Tots Playtime – 9.30pm Alpha Course – 7.00pm
Thursday 9	Friendship Circle – 11.00am (Travels in Europe) Senior Band Practice – 7.45pm
Friday 10	Lunch Club – 10.30am Fellowship Band Gala Concert – 7.00pm
Sunday 12	<u>Candidates Sunday</u> YP Band Practice – 9.15am Prayer Meeting – 9.45am Majors David and Jane Alton – 11.00am

Future Events

May 2024	
Saturday 18	Coffee Morning – 10.00am to 12.00pm
Sunday 19	<u>Pentecost Sunday</u> Majors David and Jane Alton -11.00am Encounter – 6.00pm
Sunday 26	Majors David and Jane Alton – 11.00am
Tuesday 28 to Friday 31	Holiday Club – More Details to Follow
June 2024	
Sunday 2	Major Denise Cooper – 11.00am Bible Study – 6.00pm
Saturday 8	Alpha Course Day
Sunday 9	Majors David and Jane Alton -11.00am
Sunday 16	<u>Father's Day</u> Majors David and Jane Alton -11.00am

**Please join us for tea, coffee and fellowship
in The Sanctuary after the morning meeting**