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It doesn't seem possible that the summer is nearly over and we stand on the cusp of a new school year! A time when our children and youngsters start their new year of studies either at school or university. But even for those of us a little older it is a time when all of our programmes at our Corps which had paused for the summer start again once more.

A time of new starts! A time of new beginnings. A time when life can start to get busier once more!

But we step out once more in the assurance that God who has been with us in the past will always be with us if we continue to be a people of prayer and walk closely with Him.

Jesus said to us. "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:38-40)

We thank God for the way that we can come to Him for rest and to be re-energised, but we thank Him for the assurance that we have that if we continue to acknowledge His guidance and direction then He will be with us all as we step into this new chapter, with all the possibilities for continuing to play our part in the building His Kingdom.

May God bless us all as we continue to do just that.

Every blessing

Major Kevin

### Regular Activities

#### Sunday:

9:30am Breakfast Church  
10:30am Morning Worship

4pm Messy Church (2nd Sunday of the month or otherwise stated)

Fellowship Lunch (3rd Sunday of the month)

28th September 10:30am Café Church

#### Tuesday:

10:00am CAMEO Club



2:00pm Over Sixties Club

#### Wednesday:

bi-weekly prayer meeting  
7:00pm  
7:45pm Songster Practice

#### Thursday:

6:00pm Music makers

7:45pm Band Rehearsal

#### Monday to Friday

Café on the Rec - open for business 8.30am to 4pm and **Saturday** 9am to 1pm.

Also **Sunday mornings** 8.30am to 10am for the Junior Park run.

All items for the October newsletter: messages, prayers or prayer requests, please let Major Kevin, Caroline, Mags or Bev know by Sunday 21st September, 2025. If you would like the newsletter emailed to you each month, please let Bev know. [bev.robilliard53@gmail.com](mailto:bev.robilliard53@gmail.com)

Prayer requests:

Please pray for Mrs Vivienne Smith and her family as they mourn the loss of ‘Eddie.’ Eddie played a big part in helping the Stowmarket Foodbank and Vivienne has supported the Café on the Rec with baking wonderful cakes. Eddie is safe with his Lord.

Pray for the ongoing situation in Gaza and Ukraine—we do hope that peace will come very soon to those lands and people will no longer have to continue living in fear of their lives.

Harvest is a great time of year when we give thanks for all that the Lord provides for us. May we worship with thankful hearts for all that we have.

For those who have undergone recent surgery, we pray for continued healing and restoration to full health.

Give thanks for the restful time we have had, and yet look forward to. A time to re-charge the batteries and spend precious time with our family and friends.

God of comfort and compassion, God of wisdom, grace and power. Hear our earnest intercession in this quiet evening hour. Strengthen all who fight Thy battles in this land and lands afar; be companion, friend and shepherd, whereso’er Thy children are.

Some we love bear heavy burdens, some have wandered from the way; be their guide, and their deliverer, Heavenly Father, now we pray. O’er our world so filled with sorrow, fear and hunger, pain and strife, shed Thy light of hope and mercy, gift of love, eternal life.

Sovereign Lord, we bow before Thee, Thou art merciful and kind; Our petitions now presenting, all we need in Thee we find. Lord, we seek Thy strength, Thy guidance, and the Holy Spirit’s dower; grant Thy fortitude and courage in temptation’s threatening hour.

May Thy grace and peace o’er-shadow those for whom we pray tonight; may Thy mighty arm uphold them; they are precious in Thy sight. Lord, for answered prayer we thank Thee; Thou art good in all Thy ways; With thanksgiving we adore Thee; fill our hearts with love and praise.

Diary Dates for September 2025

- Tuesday 2nd 7.00pm Filling Station**
- Sunday 7th 10.30am Morning Service**
- Tuesday 9th 7.30pm Property & Finance meeting**
- Sunday 14th 10.30am Morning Service Harvest**  
**16.00 Messy Church Mustard Seeds & Yeast**
- Tuesday 16th Cameo & Over 60’s resume**
- Friday 19th 12 noon Funeral Service of Mr Eddie Smith (New Life Church)**
- Sunday 21st 10.30am Morning Service**
- Saturday 27th (Morning) Training session for Key Holders (Robin)**
- Sunday 28th 10.30am Café Church ‘The Heart of God’**



In 2026, The Salvation Army will be celebrating 140 years of sharing God’s love in Stowmarket; a significant milestone and we would like to celebrate it many different ways, which encompasses everyone. What ideas do you have? Let’s start thinking outside of the box and get those creative juices flowing! On the noticeboard, in the foyer, of our hall, there is a place where you can write your ideas down, or if you would rather, email them to: [sandra.ambrose@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:sandra.ambrose@salvationarmy.org.uk).

Also, if you are good at organising, then why not put yourself forward to be on a working party. Let’s make 2026 a monumental year for Stowmarket.

This fabulous ‘magnificent Seven!’ recently were involved in raising money for Prostate Cancer UK by playing 36 holes of golf. Between them, over £1800.00 + has been raised—they would like to thank everyone who supported them.

Well done guys.

