



NTCG
Northampton

College Street, Northampton, NN1 2QP

Senior Pastor: Bishop Donovan Allen

22 November 2020

Living What We Believe



**Keeping Hope Alive
Part 3**

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-16

Speaker: Bishop Donovan Allen

Saturday morning "Prayer Watch" - 7.00am to 8.00am

Church & Pastor's Marie Aransevia, Martin Cole, Ronald Hundah, Wilbur Jeffers
Council Members: & Vivienne Welsh, Paulette Wright (CPC Secretary/Treasurer)

Local Ministers: Rev Phyllis Brown, Rev Dennis Hines, Bishop Rudolph Parkinson,
Rev Virginia Thomas, Rev Phyllis Thompson

Tel. 01604 630 007



Dear Church Family,

Following an appointment at the NGH on 3rd November, I returned to get the results on Thursday 12th November to be informed by the consultant of the diagnosis of breast cancer, which is treatable and chemotherapy treatment should start in mid-December. I have already started weekly hospital appointments at NGH. As you can imagine, this news came as a shock, however, I am trusting in the healing power of Almighty God - whether miraculously or through the medical treatment - either way, I am depending upon the constant and peaceful presence of Abba Father.

Over the next six months, I will be shielding and also taking time to rest in preparation for the treatment and to also have time to recover and recuperate. My family, although they do not live locally, remain a great source of support to me and I am also grateful for my church family's ongoing prayer support.

You will appreciate that direct contact will need to be limited once I start treatment in December. I would therefore be most grateful if you could liaise with Pastor Allen or one of the Ministers should you wish to make contact during this time.

Thank you in anticipation of your prayers and well wishes.

Rev Virginia Thomas



**Important
End of Year
Members Meeting**

**Wednesday
2 December 2020
Time 7.00 pm
via Zoom**

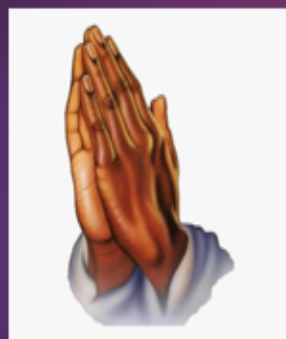
*To ensure a prompt start to the
meeting please start logging on
from 6.45 pm*



Church Weekly Activities

Sunday	11.00 am to 12 noon 12 noon to 1.00 pm	<p>Online Sermon <i>(Livestream link circulated to members by 10.45am)</i></p> <p>Family Devotion Hour <i>(A time to connect with each other)</i></p>
Monday	7.30 pm to 8.30 pm	Prayer Line
Tuesday	6.00 am to 7.00 am	Prayer Line
Wednesday	7.00 pm to 8.00 pm	Theological Reflection via Zoom
Thursday	6.00 am to 7.00 am 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm 7.00 pm to 8.15 pm	<p>Prayer Line</p> <p>Men's Hour with Bro Wilbur Jeffers</p> <p>Women's Hour with Sis Barbara Harrison</p>
Friday	7.00 pm to 8.00 pm	Youth Connection with Sis Linnette Sow
Saturday	7.00 am to 8.00 am	Prayer Line

PRAYER LINE



MONDAY 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm
TUESDAY 6.00 am to 7.00 am
THURSDAY 6.00 am to 7.00 am
SATURDAY 7.00 am to 8.00 am

ACCESS DETAILS

DIAL TELEPHONE NUMBER:

0333 011 2308

ROOM PASSWORD:

488 52205#

PIN NUMBER: 1053#



Operation Christmas Child 2020

Great News! Christmas isn't cancelled this year!

This year our Administrative Bishop has endorsed the project across the entire NTCG UK and Wales and therefore is encouraging us all to pack boxes.

The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to show God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Since 1990, more than 157 million children in over 160 countries have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child.

1. Find an empty medium sized shoebox and wrap box and lid separately.
2. Get the appropriate boy/girl label. Mark the correct age category and attach the label to the outside of your shoebox
3. Fill your shoebox with a variety of new gifts that will bring delight to a child, add a suggested project donation of £5 which included shipping, and hand it to your Project Leader. You can also pray for the child who will receive your shoebox gift

National Collection Week is 5-14 December

Watch this space for the drop off date and time at Church

Don't forget to get your labels, rubber bands and add your £5 donation.

I have lots of spare pre-wrapped boxes. Do let me know if you would like one. Any further information please don't hesitate to contact me at

ladynads@hotmail.com

Thanks in advance
Rachelle



NTCG Northampton



Women's Hour

Thursday 26 November 2020

with sis Barbara Harrison

7.00pm to 8.15pm via Zoom

For log in details contact

secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk

or 07510 255128 after 4.00pm



Lifebuilders Hour

Thursday 3 December 2020

with Bro Wilbur Jeffers

7.00pm to 8.30pm via Zoom

For log in details please contact

secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk

or 07510 255128 after 4.00pm

Ages 5-12 join in with the Children's Church coordinators directly after this service from 12.30 pm

Please contact:

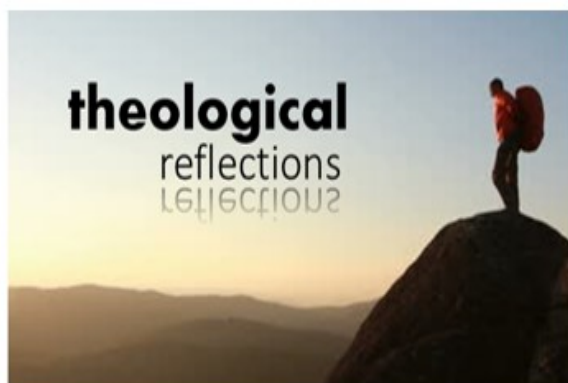
Sis Laura Hundah & Sis Alicia Hyder

For login details.



Theological
Reflection
Wednesday
18 November
@ 7.00pm

NTCG NORTHAMPTON CHURCH
"iServices "



via Zoom joining details to follow



Youth and
Discipleship

Youth Connection
with Sis Linnette Sow

Friday 27 November
7.00 pm to 8.00 pm
via Zoom

“ WELLBEING EXERCISE CORNER ”

BOUNCY—UP AND DOWN DAYS

What is resilience? It is the ability to bounce back. It suggests two positions or states of being: up or down. Between those two spaces, there is another place where you have an opportunity to decide where you want to be. It is UP? Or DOWN? One professional tells us that “The whole world is traumatized.” This suggests that we are all stressed, albeit to varying degrees. This is not an invitation to begin to compare my stress with yours, or to claim that my circumstances are worse than yours; instead, it is an opportunity to confess to each other that we are having a ‘down day’. It is also an opportunity to get excited that tomorrow will be a different day and therefore may be a better day.

To be able to bounce back when you are having a ‘down’ day is to know that today is not an ‘up’ day and accept whatever it brings, knowing that just because you are not having an ‘up’ day today, does not mean that every day will be like this one. It is to know that each day contains 24 hours: 8 of which you will most likely be asleep, another 8 might be spent working, and the other 8 might presents opportunities for change, from down to up.

Notice that there is a conscious space between up and down when you know if you are either up or down. It is important to understand that your conscious thoughts propel you in the direction that you train your thoughts. Therefore, if you train your

thoughts towards positive ideas about being up, eventually, your down days begin to resemble your up thoughts and soon, your down day becomes up. The converse is also true. If you train your thoughts towards negativity and down thoughts, this too controls the direction in which your day will go and so you end up with down days.

You might listen to negative and fake news (of which there is an abundance right at this moment) and soon you become overwhelmed with negative thoughts and fear which have a tendency to take over your whole being. You begin to ‘feel’ like your day. I encourage you to:

- Fill your MIND SPACE with positivity and good thoughts.
- Fill your BODY SPACE with joyful sounds like your favourite music, - and dance.
- Listen to words of encouragement, prayers from sincere voices; even your own, and allow these vibes to transport your down day into an uplifted and spiritual experience where God is able to delight in your praise and worship and bless you with ‘beauty for you ashes’.

Paulette Peters


Your Emotional Wellbeing Coach



NTCG

Northampton College Street

Community Prayer Line



Are you weary, carrying a heavy burden?
Then come to me. I will refresh your life,
for I am your oasis.

Matt 11:28



Charity No. 250306

Community Prayer Line

If you are feeling anxious, worried or concerned, our Volunteers are available to listen and pray with you. Simply talking to someone can help you to make sense of your situation.

Call us for free
01604 436 394
Tuesdays 6pm-8pm

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Discipleship Growth Plan

September 2019 – December 2020

Living what we believe - Knowing Being Doing



Sis Sandra Oki

My conversion took place over 35 years ago, at a Luis Palau conference. I actually went on my own because despite being a Preacher's Kid and having been immersed in Christendom for my entire life, I had a desire for a personal encounter with God. Little

did I know that I had embarked on a lifelong conquest of highs and lows, joy and despair, refining and equipping processes for life.

Both my late parents were NTCG ministers with an entourage of nine children. We journeyed with our parents to the various churches where they were assigned to minister e.g. Hendon, Stoke Newington and Edmonton. As a teenager, I was placed in various positions and therefore quickly learned to assimilate into the NTCG ethos.

Eight years ago I purchased a property in Northampton, with a view to settling there with my son after my BA Primary Education degree and a stint of teaching in London. In my search for a Church, College St was the 3rd church I visited and was where I felt most at home. I believe that God has placed me at this Church to enlarge his kingdom, via my particular gifts and abilities.

I am in the process of becoming acquainted with members and have had opportunities to minister by playing the bass guitar, singing, moderating, praying, reading scriptures, delivering reflections and encouragement. On Monday's I attend keep fit sessions facilitated by Bro Martin where I have additional opportunities to meet with some members of the Church.

There is something exceptionally special about a Church with treasured seniors like ours with longevity of service from whom we can gain a wealth of information and wisdom.

I am blessed to belong to a Cell group and have the privilege of the support/advice of the members, should the need arise, particularly during the current 'lockdown'. Church attendance is limited to Sunday mornings by invitation to comply with Government guidelines, so socialisation is currently in the form of zoom meetings, or video/calls via WhatsApp.

I have embraced the 'new way' of doing Church. I enjoy zoom meetings as it's in the comfort of my own home, I can interact with brethren and I have noticed the birthing of new gifts and talents in myself and others. The themed teaching affords me an opportunity to question, learn, analyse and probe the word of God, as well as monitor my role as an effective 'Spirit-baptised individual'. Our Bible tells us that people perish through lack of knowledge, Hosea 4 v 6, therefore a thorough understanding of the principles governing Christianity, expectations and appropriate application, is imperative.

Lockdown has enabled me to shift to another gear that I actually did not know existed. I've discovered that technology is not as daunting as perceived. I have transferable skills, God really loves me and has amazing plans for my life, Jeremiah 29 v 11. I am also learning new things; I'm studying Swedish. I am learning how to maximise opportunities amidst challenges, whilst encouraging myself in the face of adversity.

My relationship with the Lord has deepened and is blossoming to the glory of God because I have become more dependent on the Holy Spirit by spending more time in his presence and reading the word. As one songwriter states, 'All I want is for you to be glorified, for you to be lifted high'. This is my anthem and heart's cry.

For further information about the Discipleship Growth Programme, please speak to a Ministry/ Department lead, a member of the Church and Pastors' Council, Bishop Allen or send an email to the Facilitating team via growth@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk

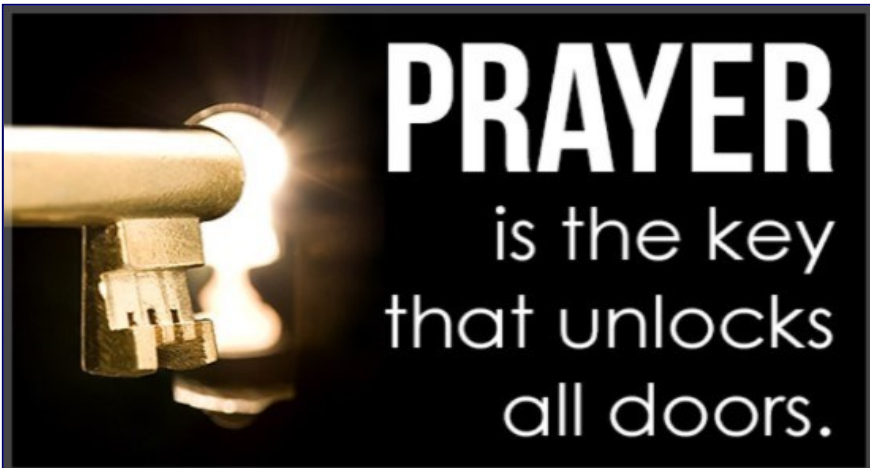


Birthday Greetings to all who are celebrating a birthday in NOVEMBER and would like us to appreciate your special day

Portia Johnson

If it's your birthday this month, please let the Comms Team know

*Please contact a member of the Comms Team or email news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk and we will include your news in the weekly notice sheet - all items to be submitted **by 5pm on Wednesday***



Please continue to
PRAY for
those who are
experiencing challenging times,
illnesses or recovering.

Prayer Line

Dial: 0333 011 2308

p/w: 488 52205#

Pin: 1053#

My Sincere Pledge To You

I Pledge to serve You the best way I can.

I may not be able to serve you financially, but I Pledge to serve You Spiritually.

I Pledge that I will Pray for you.

I Pledge that I will Affirm You

I Pledge that I will Encourage You.

I Pledge that I will Genuinely show my Loving Concern about You, by asking about your Health and Family.

I Pledge that I will Genuinely, put my hand on your shoulders, should You allow me to do so, and will reassure You that I care for You.

I Pledge that I will Pray to find ways of slowing down, so that I can give You some of my Time.

The way Jesus found Time to relate to His Disciples and humbled Himself as a servant and served; let us Pledge to serve each other the same.

God give Us the Grace to do so.

God Bless You.

The College Street Brethren on Sunday 23rd February made a solemn promise to one another, that they will adhere to all the statements listed in the above Pledge.

GENEROSITY

the most *natural* outward expression
of an inner attitude of *compassion*

I Like Giving. ©

Special thanks to all who have been supporting us with your Tithes, Offerings Gifts and Benevolence.

God bless you and thank you so much.

From Bishop Allen &
Leadership Team

Ways of Giving

We still recognise that some need our bank details so that they can pay online. They are the following:

Bank:	NatWest
Name:	NTCG Northampton
Sort code:	60-15-55
Account:	83826793
Reference:	<i>Initial Last Name – Type</i> <i>e.g. J Bloggs - T</i>
Payment Type:	T = Tithes / O = Offering / G = Gift / B = Benevolence

Details to **donate online** can be found on our webpage
<https://ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/how-to-donate/>

Or, contact our Church Treasurer **Paulette Wright** on **07510 255128** to take your tithes and offerings using the Card Payment System.

If you need any help please contact
secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk

 **NTCG**
STOREHOUSE



**Lets replenish our
STOREHOUSE
to support those
in need**



**Please drop off your donations at
College Street on
Saturday 28 November 2020
between 11.00am to 3.00pm**

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Date:



NTCG College Street Mission Statement

The Mission of NTCG College Street is to Train and Develop all members to Communicate the Full Gospel of Jesus Christ (**Matthew 28:19, 20**) in the Spirit and Power of Pentecost (**Acts 2:1-4, 6, 13-18**)

Together we will fulfil the Great Commission (**Matthew 28:19-20**) by helping people to become fully functioning followers of Christ.

We aim to help every believer to discover the gifts and talents God gave them (**Ephesians 4:11-16**).

PASTOR'S SURGERY

If you have any concerns, queries or would just like to speak with Pastor, **please contact secrtary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk for an appointment**
Surgery runs from 10.00am - 3.00pm & 6.00pm - 8.00pm on **THURS**

Please make full use of the Notice sheet by sending your Testimonies, words of encouragement and articles

WEEKLY NOTICES:

Please submit any items by **5pm on Wednesday** for inclusion in the Notice Sheet

Email all items to **news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk**

If it is a paper item such as a leaflet then please hand it to one of the Team (Sandra Heath, Viv Welsh & Paulette Wright) by the deadline.

Items received after the deadline will be included in the following issue at the discretion of the Team

(This means that any items given on a Sunday morning for display will not be used as it will not be consistent with the published Notices.)

Are you making a donation, paying Tithes or Offering by Debit Card? Please speak to a Steward at any time before the start of Service. Thank You.

Notice Sheet also available at www.ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/about-us/news