



NTCG
Northampton

College Street, Northampton, NN1 2QP

Senior Pastor: Bishop Donovan Allen

13 December 2020

Living What We Believe



Jesus Name Above All Names

Scripture: Philippians 2:9-11

Speaker: Martin Cole

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

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Greetings Church Family

First, I give thanks to the Lord for his tender mercies. He has guided our steps throughout 2020 with so many unfolding events taking place. I join the Psalmist who states that "If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, now may Israel say.

² If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when men revolted against us:

³ Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us.

⁴ Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul.

⁵ Then the proud waters had gone over our soul.

⁶ Blessed be the LORD, who hath not given us as a prey to their teeth.

⁷ Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.

⁸ Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Psalms 124

God has been good to us despite the challenges we have encountered. I bless God for keeping you all safe and I also welcome all our new faces who have join us this year.

First let me also express a big thank you to the Ministerial leadership team, all HOD, and the beloved and committed members of our church for your hard work throughout this pandemic. A special thanks go to the COVID-19 Task force team of Marie, Wilbur, Martin, Paulette, and the Media team for the tremendous work they did to get our church COVID-19 compliance with all the regulations as set out by the Government. A big thank you to them .

Sadly, during this pandemic some of our brethren have suffered and experienced bereavements, job losses, sickness, uncertainties and many lonely days and nights. However, God has never left our side. God has remained faithful and He will continue to provide.

Can I therefore encourage you all to remain faithful to the Lord and His Great Commission? Can I encourage you to be faithful to the Household of Faith, and keep on loving each other and welcoming with open arms those whom the Lord has brought to us to love and take care of?

God bless you and thank you for all your support including the great financial commitments still made by many for the work of the Lord. Thank you and keep on praying, giving, loving, and encouraging one another and reaching out to a world who needs you. Light a candle for someone this Christmas.

Have a peaceful Christmas and good news to all men for unto us is born in the city of David is Christ the Lord.

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Finally, as we look forward to 2021, here are some of the things I see on the Horizon....

1. God providing Fresh Manna for his people.
2. God empowering His Church to grow Stronger in His Word and in the Holy Spirit.
3. God building his Church and His people with strong Spiritual Backbone.
4. God re-energising people to complete the Great Commission.
5. God shaking kingdoms for his glory – some will fall but many will Rise.
6. **And if a great falling away take place ensure you are not in that number.**

God bless and continue to keep us all in your prayer.

D Allen

Bishop Donovan Allen, Family & Leadership Team



***Please join us as we prepare to celebrate the birth of
Jesus Christ***

over the

Christmas and New Year Season

SUNDAY 20-12-2020 11:00 am - College Street

CHRISTMAS DAY 25-12-2020 11:00 am - Online

SUNDAY 27-12-2020 11:00 am - College Street

NEW YEARS EVE 10:00 pm -Via Zoom

Meeting ID 865 6398 4696 Passcode 073751

NTCG Creative Arts Event from 11:15 pm



Exit Engage Emerge

NTCG Online

an evening of worship and celebration

SUNDAY 03-01-2021 11:00 am -College Street

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Dear Church Members & Friends,

Your Personal Invitation to Service on Sundays

Sunday Service will resume on Sunday 20 & 27 December.

If you would like to attend we are kindly asking everyone to register their attendance online via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ntcg-northampton-sunday-services-tickets-117427890983> [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ntcg-northampton-sunday-services-tickets-117427890983).

Registration will be open each week from Sunday to Wednesday. Spaces will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. The numbers will continue to be limited in order to comply with government guidelines.

If you do not have access to online facilities, please book your space by sending a Text to **07510 255 128**, no later than Wednesday of each week.

Should your circumstances change once you have booked and you are no longer able to attend, please cancel your booking to release the space for someone else.

Thanks again for your co-operation as we continued to adapt to these changes.

God bless you.

Yours sincerely

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Bishop Donovan Allen
Senior Pastor



CONGRATULATIONS

NEW MODERATOR FOR 2022 CTE FORUM

Dionne Gravesande has been appointed Moderator of the next Forum of Churches Together in England. She takes over from Hilary Topp.

Speaking of her appointment, Dionne said:

“I feel both humbled and privileged to be appointed CTE Forum Moderator as together we work in an ever-changing ecumenical landscape where our prayers, discernment and action is a collective witness of our love, unity and hope.”



Dionne is a member of the New Testament Church of God and is a senior manager at Christian Aid, an Agency of CTE. [Read more about her and about the Forum’s Deputy Moderator.](#)

Bringing together over three hundred representatives of CTE’s Member Churches, Intermediate Bodies, Co-ordinating Groups and Bodies in Association, CTE’s Forum is the broadest representative ecumenical gathering of Christians in England. The 2022 Forum takes place in March 2022.

<https://churches-together-northampton.org.uk/new-moderator-for-2022-cte-forum/>



Would you like someone to pray with you?

GET IN TOUCH

01604 436394

during our live service

11:00 am -1:00 pm TODAY



Leicester District Board

“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”

Ephesians 2 v: 10

Dear Church family,

As District Youth Leaders, we acknowledge and take seriously the mantle that God has placed upon us in leading, inspiring and helping you to develop our young people. The ‘lock down’ has propelled us all into thinking and working differently.

We have spent much time ‘locked in with God’ seeking His direction about His work. We’ve also spent time evaluating the work we’ve done since ‘lock down’ and its progress, and has decided to evolve with the ever changing technology/media platform that has been made available to us.

As a District, it would be more beneficial for the development of our young people if we work and share together the vision that God has given us. So as of December 2020, the District Youth Leaders will be working together in meeting the holistic needs of our youth. We cannot however do this without you as parents as your input is integral.

All youth activities will be broadcast on YouTube, WhatsApp and Facebook. Activities will either be pre- recorded or recorded live. We have selected these media sites due to there popularity with our young people.

Do support us in prayers as we support our young people, the future of our churches.

It’s with sadness that we are having to say goodbye to our District Youth Leaders, sis Yvette Anderson of whom has resigned as our district lead. She has done a tremendous job during her time of ministry. We pray God’s blessing for her and her family.

God bless you and we look forward to working with you.

Blessings

District Youth Leaders

Wellingborough—Curtis Thompson

Northampton - Linnette James-Sow

Leicester - Rev Noel Cazley, Corlyn King

Peterborough - Gloria Charles



Youth and
Discipleship

SAVE THE DATE

The District Youth Leaders and Youth will be ministering to us in scripture readings from **14 to 24 December.**

This will be followed by a Youth Christmas Service on YouTube on **24 December**

Check out the Facebook page
NTCGLeicesterDistrictYouth



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 and depending upon the constant and peaceful presence of Abba Father.

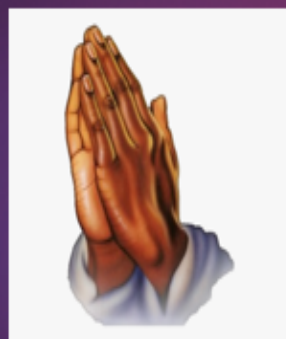
Over the next six months, I will be shielding and also taking time to rest in preparation for the treatment and to also have time to recover and recuperate. My family, although they do not live locally, remain a great source of support to me and I am also grateful for my church family's ongoing prayer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

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#

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

Please contact:

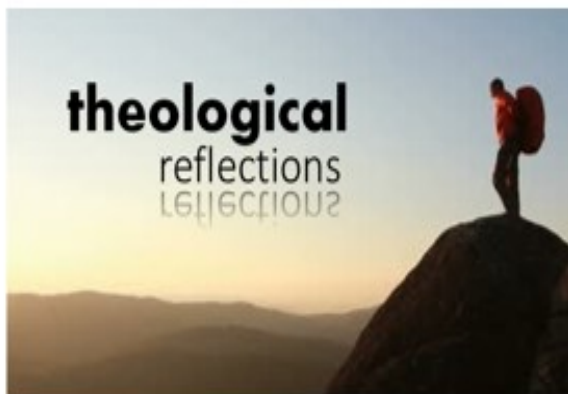
Sis Laura Hundah & Sis Alicia Hyder

For login details.



NTCG NORTHAMPTON CHURCH
"iServices "

**Theological
Reflection
Wednesday
16 December
@ 7.00pm**



via Zoom joining details to follow



Lifebuilders Hour

17 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

Discipleship Growth Plan

September 2019 – December 2020

Living what we believe - Knowing Being Doing

Sis Sterling

I joined Northampton NTCG in 1960 when it met in Alfred Street School Hall. I remember how we had to take up the straw that the dogs slept on before we could use the hall. The 'pastor' at that time was one Bro Wooley, an English man who was a missionary and had recently returned from missions in the West Indies.

My husband and I used to share a house with a man who went to the missionary meetings led by Bro Wooley. One Sunday evening, I decided to go along with him to the meeting. Bro Wooley had just come back from the West Indies and he was pleased to see us attend his meeting.

One day, Bro Casely, from the Rugby NTCG, called at the house I was living in whilst he was making 'house calls' to spread the gospel and establish a NTCG congregation in Northampton. I went along to the service to which he invited me and in 1961, became the first member of NTCG in Northampton. Not long afterwards others joined. Some, such as the late Sis Liburd, the late Bro Heath, Sis Heath, Bro & Sis Spence who came from the Rugby NTCG, some were already Christians but attending other churches such as the late Sis Brown, Bro & the late Sis Cleghorn (not the current Sis Cleghorn), the late Bro Casely & Sis Casely who now lives in Leicester and others who became Christians as a result of our evangelistic efforts. As our children were born the Church became engaged in wider ministries through its liturgy and other child/youth related activities. My daughter Valerie, was the first baby to be dedicated in the Northampton NTCG.

Later on, we moved from Vernon Terrace to Victoria Road and from Victoria Road and under the leadership of the late Rev Eric Bailey we moved to Barry Road which was a bigger building. Our Sunday School grew with mainly children from the black community albeit their parents didn't come to church. We also extended our times of meeting and held a morning and an evening service on Sundays.

In 1969 Rev & Sis R Parkinson replaced Rev Bailey as the local minister. By this time we were meeting as a gathered community and extended our times of meeting to accommodate Young People for Christ (YPFC) on a

Wednesday/Thursday evenings, ladies meeting on Wednesday evenings led by Sis Parkinson who taught the ladies handicrafts and how to make several things. Prayer meetings were held on Wednesdays. All of these services were held to help everyone to grow in our Christian faith. Fund raising activities such as Jumble Sales and sponsored walks, were also organised mainly by the young people to raise money to buy our own church building. A lot of money was raised over the years, and as a result today we have our own building here at College Street as an outcome of our hard work, commitment and resilience.

Looking back to those early years in comparison to now, I would say that the brethren were closer, we were more like a family. I miss that sense of 'togetherness'. I also miss the brethren who were there during those early years. I think there is a tendency now for something almost like a tier system in our church where some members are seen to be at the top, some move around in cliques and others appear to be in a lower and excluded group. I hope and pray that this does not become a reality.

I am not able to attend College St at this time due to the Covid-19 challenges. I'm staying with my daughter and go to the church where she does in Leicester or I stay at home and listen to a service in Oxford via YouTube or we go to Oxford. However, I am still in touch with some of the College St brethren, some come to see me in Leicester and I receive copies of the News Bulletin to keep me further updated.

We have come a long way. Our current ministers have been to college and university and so they are highly educated. I hope though that we will never be so 'highly educated' that we fail to take wise counsel from Spirit-led believers as the Lord leads.


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@ntcnorthampton.org.uk



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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

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

Mother Medlin Gleghorn

Sandra Heath

Ernie Barrett

Brittani Francis

Clifford Johnson

Richard Holness

Paulette Wright

Martin Cole

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***

“ WELLBEING EXERCISE CORNER ”

EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Definition:

“Capability of a person to regulate his or her emotions and have the ability to control the emotions of others as well”

Finally, my brethren, what it all boils down to is this.

The secret to managing your emotions is hidden in the way you manage your thoughts.

Be selective!

Think about your thoughts!

Choose to dismiss some thoughts!

Some thoughts are not worthy of your thinking!

Some thoughts come to destroy you!

Some thoughts bring fear!

Instead,

Choose the thoughts that contain truth!

Choose thoughts you can agree with!

Choose thoughts that are fair and right!

Choose pure thoughts that make you smile!

Choose thoughts that you can celebrate and testify about!

This is the wisdom of Emotional Intelligence!

(An exposition of Philippians 4: 8)

Paulette Peters
Your Emotional Wellbeing Coach

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



To support the Taskforce Team for
Sundays Services.

Please contact
secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk
for more information

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.

**Be still and
know that I
am God. I will
be exalted
among the
nations. I will
be exalted in
the Earth**

Psalms 46:10



2021

notes

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