Bromley Salvation Army

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Welcome to worship. Today lain will be leading this morning's meeting and tonight at 6pm will be the second week in our Alpha Lite series entitled "Why did Jesus die?"

This morning we continue our theme of **holy habits** with **'giving'**. It is a key part of God's nature, from his gift of creation to humanity, to take care of and enjoy. Sin and selfishness aside, God continues to give and so today in the mundane and also the extraordinary miraculous we receive from our creator God. Of all the holy habits we will be looking at over these coming weeks giving is probably the most challenging because it goes to the selfishness that is at the heart of a believer.

Last week I spoke about the habit of gladness and generosity. Giving is a habit best practised in partnership with these holy habits. So we give in response to the generosity of God and giving at its best is about offering the best we can in return. The same is true to our giving to others including our corps.

May we all be challenged today as we look to our generous, giving God and respond with our offering that flows from the generosity in our hearts.

I look forward to sharing with you today. God Bless.





lain

This Week's Activities

Monday			
1.30	pm	Crafternoon – <i>member's afternoon</i>	
Tuesday			
1.30	pm	Home League with Major Sharron Lanceley	
Wednesday			
10	am	Toddlers	
10	am	Bible Study with General Shaw Clifton	
7	pm	Pilates	
Thursday	•		
10	am	Toddlers	
11	am	Community choir	
1.30	pm	50+ Fellowship with Major Sharron Lanceley	
Friday	-		
9.30	am	Prayer Fellowship	
10am – 2pm		Macmillan Coffee Morning (in The Light Café)	WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT
Harvest Sunday			

9.55am	Morning Worship – including the altar service
6pm	House Groups

The Light Café is open Tues-Fri 10am-2pm – meet / eat / drink / relax

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Audio Visual	This week:	Freda Larsson
	Next week:	Kirsten Allemand
Refreshments	This week:	Susan Prodgers
	Next week:	Lindsay McDougall
Flowers	We give thanks to	Brian Mitchell
	for the flowers on the holiness table today	
	given in loving memory of Sheila.	
Giving	Cartridges:	£281.00
from Sunday 15 th Sept	Collections:	£104.10

Notices

Alpha Taster

Following the success of the corps running an Alpha course earlier in the year,

we are offering an Alpha Lite for corps members to see how Alpha works. Hopefully having attended yourself you may feel more comfortable inviting others to our next full course in January. Our sessions will be as follows: Sunday 22nd Sept – Why did Jesus die? Sunday 6th Oct – How can we have faith? Sunday 20th Oct – Why and how should I pray? Sunday 3rd Nov – Why and how should I read the Bible?



Corps Mission Secretary Andy Yates will be overseeing these evenings and will have a team of people to assist the discussion time that will follow the teaching. Please come along and be prepared to be spiritually challenged, inspired and encouraged.

Crafternoon

This group is a craft based fellowship that meet in The Light Café. Membership is just £1 per meeting. Contact Sharron Lanceley. The schedule is as follows: **23rd Sept** – Members Afternoon, **14th Oct** – Betty Ackyroyd (Craft), **28th Oct** – Mike Reid (Drawing), **11th Nov** – Gwen Cox, **25th Nov** – Members Afternoon, **2nd Dec** – Lorna Smith (Christmas tree), **16th Dec** – Deidre Gibson (Christmas decoration).

Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning – Friday 27th September



We plan to gift The Light Café proceeds on this date to Macmillan Cancer Charity as part of supporting this great charity's coffee morning fund raising. We would invite you to support this worthwhile cause if you are able and in the vicinity of the town.

Harvest Sunday - Photos Please

Your photos are requested and required for next week's Harvest Sunday morning meeting. As part of our worship next Sunday morning Alison would like to use some of your photographs of 'God's Creation' (they might be taken on a recent holiday or in your back garden - preferably this year). Please send a photo to <u>alison.hudson@salvationarmy.org.uk</u> and advise where the photograph was taken.

Help for needy family

A request from Bromley Social Services: *"I work with children and young people with complex needs. I have a family that the council are housing in an unfurnished property. They have always been in rented furnished accommodation. Consequently they have nothing to put in a house. We are applying to the welfare fund for beds and white goods. Do you or do you know of anyone who would donate seating and a table/sofa?" Please let lain or Gill know today if you have anything you are able to offer this family.*

Become a Dementia Friend

The 50+ Fellowship invites you to join them on Thursday 10th October at 1.30pm - 2.30pm when Gail Millar (THQ) will lead an interactive information session to learn how dementia affects a person and what you can do to make a difference. We all know someone with dementia, but a diagnosis is not the end. Being a Dementia Friend can greatly improve the quality of life for someone and Gail will demonstrate this in a positive way through this session.

Harvest Festival Appeal

Letters to all our members are awaiting your collection in the foyer. This includes a Harvest Altar Service envelope for the Harvest Sunday on 29th Sept. If you are new to the Corps, or your name does not appear, please take a spare envelope and letter available. Thank you for your support for this important appeal.

Your prayers please

We ask you to bring before God - **Ron (and Rosemary) Lawrence, Mandy Lanceley, and Chrissie Baxter**. **Paul Gettens** is entering hospital tomorrow for surgery on his back. May God draw near to them and may they be aware of His presence, His peace and power.

New Corps Security Alarm

Next week we will be having a new security alarm installed to replace the existing one. Those who currently have a fob will need to be issued with a replacement and hand back their old one. We do have a list of holders and the plan would be to issue these from Sun 29th Sept.

Please email all information for the next newsletter to Katherine at <u>k.y.allemand@gmail.com</u> by 11am on Thursday.