

'A Macedonian Call' -The One to Fifty Box Ingathering

The next ingathering and exchange of the One to Fifty Boxes is planned for Sunday 16th November. On this occasion we will be aiming to share information regarding proposed projects needing our support. These represent a 'Macedonian Call' to come over and help us. Thank you to everyone taking part in this very simple way of supporting on-going Bridge Projects.

Tell us your life story

Everybody in our corps family has an interesting story to tell. We are proposing to capture some of these stories on video. We would particularly like to include some of our elderly folk who can no longer get to the hall due to ill health, but would also like to capture the stories of other corps folk in due course. If you take part you can decide if you are prepared for any of the recording to be shared with the corps. We will of course respect your wishes if you don't want the recording shared.

In relation to this new initiative Mike Traher would like some volunteers to help with the gathering of these stories, and also volunteers or suggestions of folk who might like to give their life story in this way.

The Bromley Winter Night Shelter will run from 3rd December to mid-March to provide temporary accommodation for Bromley homeless people during the winter months and hopefully find a long term solution to their problems. They are looking for volunteers to help their guests. There are many roles that need filling and these can be found on the website bromleyshelter.weebly.com but the most critical role to be filled is that of 'Overnight Sleeper'. These are men and women who, in pairs, join the guests for dinner and then sleep overnight with them at the Night Shelter to ensure its smooth running. When needed, they also lend a sympathetic ear to the guests and help them to settle in to the Shelter's way of life.

The shelter will be holding a meeting for volunteers at Bromley Parish Church (behind Primark) at 2pm Saturday 15th November. It is intended for new and old volunteers to learn about the shelter, get an update and receive some training. They hope that you can go to the meeting and sign up to volunteer for this great cause.



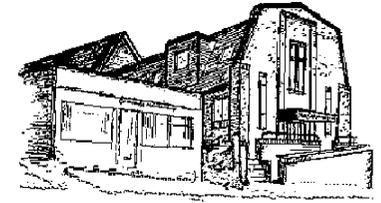
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Whilst on holiday last week, Kirsten and I took the opportunity to go up to The Tower of London to see the poppies on display in the moat. It is a really moving and emotional sight, and one that will have attracted over 4 million visitors by Armistice Day. The tribute, named Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red, will contain 888,246 ceramic poppies each one representing a British and Colonial death during the First World War.

The task of producing the display has been an arduous and epic one for its creator Paul Cummins, whose hand was crushed during the making of one of the poppies in an industrial roller, leaving him without a middle finger and the use of his index finger. The final poppy will be added to the memorial on Tuesday. Seeing so many poppies together in one place reminded me of Laurie Lee's WW1 poem:

*Less passionate the long war throws
its burning thorn about all men,
caught in one grief, we share one wound,
and cry one dialect of pain.*

*We have forgot who fired the house,
whose easy mischief spilt first blood,
under one roof we lie,
the fault no longer understood.*

*But as our twisted arms embrace
the desert where our cities stood,
death's family likeness in each face
must show, at last, our brotherhood.*



Our worship today will be led by our Corps Officers, Lt. Colonels Graham & Kirsten Owen. This morning the Band will be taking part in the Act of Remembrance at Bromley Parish Church. Our meeting will focus on the significance of this day and we will consider selected verses from Micah under the title 'Shalom – then, now, into the future!'

This evening's meeting at 6pm will be a Remembrance Sunday Songs of Praise & Reflection.

Youth Fellowship will be at the home of Alison & Alex Pringle

During this Week:

Monday The Light open 10am – 2pm (2:30pm Volunteers Meeting)
8:00pm Prayer Fellowship at the home of Chris Webb

Tuesday The Light open 10am – 2pm
10:00am Parent and Toddler Group
1:30pm Home League

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10:00am Bible Study – Lt. Colonel Steve Pallant

Thursday The Light open 10am – 2pm
1:00pm 50+ Fellowship – 'What is 'Link'?' Major Chris Sebbage

Friday 6:30pm Kid's Alive!

Next Sunday – Bible Sunday

Meetings at 9:55am & 6pm led by Lieutenants Luke & Katy Johnson
4:30pm Corps Ministry at Cheshire Home led by Sheila Maguire & Team
Youth Fellowship will be at the home of Lynn & Geoff Nunn

Flowers

We say thank you to Fred & Iona Rainer for the flowers on the Altar Table today.

Refreshments

Our host today is Susan Proegers
Next week's host is Lindsay McDougall

Technical Support

This Week – am Alex Pringle pm David Lanceley
Next week – am Freda Larsson pm David Lanceley

Offering – 2nd November

Cartridges £1,900.00 Collections £158.09

Thank you for supporting the Lord's work in this way.

Billets during the Boundless Congress

IHQ are now receiving a number of requests for billets during the Boundless Congress. If you are willing to open your home between 1st and 5th July 2015 please see Colonel Chris Webb. Thank you.

Special Prayer Request

One of our Home League Members, Vera Robinson, has attended our morning meeting for the last three weeks. Unfortunately her niece is very poorly and is undergoing treatment at the moment. Vera asks if the Corps Family would kindly remember her niece, Sandra, in prayer. Thank you.

Any Ideas?

On Wednesday this week (12th November), the Worship Purpose Group will be meeting to plan the programme for the New Year. If you have any ideas or suggestions you would like them to consider, please contact Kay Martin before Wednesday.

Christmas is Coming!

The Christmas Post Box will be available from 23rd November this year. The last day of posting will be 14th December – to allow time for sorting. Please remember that cards posted must be for people who attend the Corps. Donations can be put in the box or handed to Olive Buckley.

Community Care

Would you be willing to deliver a blessing to the underprivileged in the Borough of Bromley? We have a larger number of Christmas Parcels to deliver this year. Although we have a strong team of deliverers in place, a few more are required. If you have a car and feel that this is something you would like to volunteer for, please see Dawn Derham as soon as possible.

Monthly Prayer Slot

"How good it is to sing praises to our God."

Psalm 147:1 (NIV-UK)