



**NTCG**  
Northampton

College Street, Northampton, NN1 2QP

**Senior Pastor: Bishop Donovan Allen**

**15 December 2019 at 11.00am**

## ***Living What We Believe***



**Luke 1: 46-55**

**Speaker : Rev Phyllis Thompson**

**Saturday morning “Prayer Watch” - 7.00am to 8.30am**

**Church & Pastor's** Sherwin Brown, Edris Buchanan-Edwards, Martin Cole,  
**Council Members:** Wilbur Jeffers & Norma Moss; Annie Dzwaka (CPC Secretary)

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

**Tel. 01604 630 007**

## ***Living What We Believe***



***We believe in Holiness to be God's  
standard of living for His people***

*Hebrews 12:14; Matthew 5:20; 1Thessalonians 4:7-8; 1  
Corinthians 15:45-49; 2 Peter 1:2-4; Galatians 2:20-21; 2  
Peter 1:2-4; Exodus 19:5-6; 1 Peter 2:9-10; Ephesians  
2:19-20; John 17:18-23; John 20:21*

*What is the Holy Spirit saying to you about His work in  
your life?*



**Every Sunday - 10.00-10.50am**  
*(except First Sundays)*



**Sunday School Superintendent: Paulette Wright**

<b>Classes</b>	<b>Teachers</b>
<b>Splash!</b>	<b>Alicia Brown &amp; Geraldine Goode</b> (3 - 6 yrs) (Kitchen Annex )
<b>Xstream</b>	<b>Fiona Edwards &amp; Claudette Williamson</b> (7- 11 yrs) (Small Hall)
<b>theGrid</b>	<b>Lydia Noble-Lawson &amp; Courtney Johnson</b> (12 -15 yrs) (Large Hall Upstairs )
<b>SUBstance</b>	<b>Nastassia Holness</b> (16 -24 yrs) (Computer Room , <i>behind the Musicians</i> )
<b>Adults</b>	<b>Rev Phyllis Brown, Paulette Peters &amp; Louis Wright</b> (25+ ) (Sanctuary)

# Discipleship Growth Plan

## September 2019 – April 2020

### *Living what we believe - Knowing Being Doing*



Rev Phyllis Brown  
Preacher/Bible Teacher

I give all praise to the father of our Lord and Saviour for allowing me this privilege to be present at College Street at this time of the Church's transition. 2nd Peter 3:18 encourages: 'But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.' I believe that Bishop Allen and all who are involved in the leading and implementation of this program have had the conviction about what is needed for the Church's growth at this time and was inspired to follow the leading of Lord with this approach.

What I like about this strategy is that everyone, from the youngest to the oldest can connect with it within and through all of our ministries and at a time that is most convenient to us. The topics are also very relevant for all of us. It is so very important that we understand what we believe for growth in

our discipleship and our confidence to defend the faith - for example what we mean by salvation and sanctification and how we explain them to others with clarity and conviction. I also like the fact that we are all learning together and making the transition together. Some may be quicker than others but we will all get to the place of excellence in our mutual commitment to the service of the Lord. I also like the fact that we are using our Declarations of Faith to augment what we are preaching, teaching and learning.

I celebrate some changes I observe to date and consider to be markers of growth in discipleship:

- The level of interest and commitment in the effort to become more matured in the faith
- The increasing number of people who are actively engaged in the program
- Conversations about greater knowledge and deeper understanding about the different topics we have been covering
- A willingness amongst our members to articulate more freely about the changes that have taken place in their lives

I praise the Lord that we are embracing this program with the expectations that it will cause a richer spiritual experience and outcome for the benefit of all of us as believers, as well as our impact on the visitors who come to our church, our families and the wider community.

I have also noticed the impact of this strategy on our worship team. I believe they reflect the positive paradigm shift we hoped for and are leading us in a much more focussed and inspiring worship experience through the hymns and choruses they select to reinforce the message of the monthly themes of the programme. The Adult Sunday School is another point of reference for me in terms of a positive change. I think the teaching and learning have become more practical and engaging.

I encourage every member and visitor to engage with this program if you are not already doing so. Try and answer the following three questions in your effort to grow as a disciple of Jesus:

**What do we need to know (our beliefs)?**  
**How do we need to be (our attitudes)?**  
**What do we need to do (our behaviours)?**



Be reminded to keep a note of your answers. As suggested, you might even go one step further and make use of a dedicated notebook to record questions, such as the ones above, and your answers as well as your growth/personal development plan throughout this learning process.

For further information, please refer to related articles in earlier copies of the News Bulletin, speak to a Head of Ministry/Department, a member of the Church and Pastors' Council, or contact a member of the Discipleship Growth Programme Facilitating team via email: [growth@ntcgenorthampton.org.uk](mailto:growth@ntcgenorthampton.org.uk).

# Weekly Bible Readings

## December 2019

Sunday	15th	Hebrews 4 - 6
Monday	16th	Hebrews 7 - 9
Tuesday	17th	Hebrews 10 - 13
Wednesday	18th	James 1 - 3
Thursday	19th	James 4 - 5
Friday	20th	1 Peter 1 - 5
Saturday	21st	2 Peter 1 - 3



# YOUTH at Christmas

**The youth department will be having a cake sale on the 22nd December. Come and enjoy a slice of cake whilst we celebrate with dance, Christmas carols, prayer and much more.**

**To purchase your cake, please see Sis Sue or Sis Linnette.**

**Have a blessed day  
and a very Merry Christmas!**

**Youth Department.**

## **Winter Season**

**Our early Saturday Morning  
Prayer meetings from  
21 Dec 2019 to 28 March 2020  
will be held from  
10.00am to 12noon**

**We will revert back to normal  
times on Saturday 4 April 2020  
from 7.00am to 8.30am**

**The College Street Worship Team is providing an  
opportunity for you to learn the Bass Guitar**

**at**

**Bass Music School  
37 Billing Road  
Northampton**

**17:30 – 18:25 pm**



**Beginners Bass Course**

**10th December**

**17th December**

**7th January**

**14th January**

**There will be a nominal charge of £10 per session.**

**Bring your own bass**

**Interested? Act now. Contact Paulette Peters TODAY!**





**VOICES NEEDED!**

## **CAROL SINGING IN NURSING HOME**

**Would you like to . . .**

**Join the Worship Team to sing at a  
Nursing Home this Christmas?**

**Monday 16th December**

**2:00 – 2:20 pm**

**Interested? Contact Paulette or Gerri ASAP**

## You are warmly invited to join us at our Christmas & New Year's Services

Dates :

SUNDAY	22/12/2019	Christmas Carol Service	10.30am
CHRISTMAS DAY	25/12/2019	The Christmas Story	9:00am
SUNDAY	29/12/2019	Countdown - <b>GO</b> -FINISH Twenty Twenty	11:00am
NEW YEAR'S EVE	31/12/2019	Prayer, Praise, Thanksgiving & Preparation	9.30pm -12.00am
SUNDAY	05/01/2020	Fasting, Prayer & Holy Communion	10.00am -1.00pm

"WE STILL NEED A SAVIOUR

WE STILL NEED A FRIEND.

WE STILL NEED A COMFORTER AND LORD TO

GUIDE US THROUGH EVERYDAY.

WISEMEN SOUGHT HIM THEN AND

WISE MEN STILL SEEK HIM NOW"

**JESUS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD  
I HAVE COME INTO THE WORLD AS A LIGHT,  
SO THAT NO ONE WHO BELIEVES IN ME  
SHOULD STAY IN DARKNESS**

(JOHN 12:46)



New Testament Church of God

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

***Sis Medlin Cleghorn  
Sis Cherrie Parkinson  
Sis Paulette Wright  
Bro Clifford Johnson  
Bro Richard Holness  
Bro Ernie Barrett  
Bro Martin Cole***

**If its your birthday this month,  
please let the Comms team know**

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



**New Testament Church of God  
WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES**

**RETREAT 2020**

**Friday 6th to Sunday 8th March 2020**

**Hilton Hotel  
100 Watlington Road  
Northampton  
NN1 2JL**

SLARES  
**NEW  
THING**

The full cost of the retreat is **£105.00 per person (single room) and £185.00 per person (twin room)**. This includes all meals and accommodation but does not include the cost of any pamper treatments or shopping that you may wish to have.

To secure your place a **non-refundable deposit of £105.00 (single room) or £185.00 (twin room)** is required no later than **Friday 13th December 2019**. The balance of payment is required no later than **Wednesday 5th February 2020**.

**For further information please contact a member of the Women's Board.**

**THIS EVENT IS NOW FULL**

# Prayer Devotional for December 2019

## Strengthen Your Grip in the Joy of the Lord

*“Then the angel said to them, Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people.” Luke 2:10 (NIV)*

### **Prayer :**

Heaven Father, thank you for sending your only Son, Jesus Christ into this world to bring Joy and a Peace that cannot be taken away by any adverse circumstance.

Help me to know that you have the power to calm the storms in my life so that I can truly rest in your divine peace.

Thank you for the reassurance to know that when I am experiencing difficult times in my life, I simply need to call out to you for help, You will surely speak the words, ‘Peace be still’ to any situation that rocks and tosses my vessel.

You will strengthen and calm my mind and whole being with your joy within me. In Jesus name I pray

Thank You that we are Your children and You are our Father and sovereign Lord. May our hearts rejoice in good times and in bad and may Your abiding joy and perfect peace find residence in our heart—as we rest in Your love and trust in Your unfailing goodness.

**Amen**



15th February 2020 at 12.30 pm

NTCG College Street Northampton NN1 2QP



## The Oliver Lyseight Annual Lecture Series

2018 - 2022

in Christian Faith Communities

2020

Women's response to Power

Rev Hudson -Wilkin was ordained deacon in 1991 and ordained to the priesthood in 1994. For sixteen and a half years she served as a priest in Hackney – North East London. In 2007 she was appointed as a Chaplain to Her Majesty the Queen and in 2010, she became the first female appointed to the position of the 79th Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons. In her new role she leads the prayers in the House of Commons daily when the House is sitting and carries the responsibility for the pastoral care of both members and staff of the Palace of Westminster. In November 2014, she became the Priest in Charge of the city Church, St Mary-at-Hill near Monument. She has previously served as a member of the General Synod of the Church of England and as one of the Panel of Chairs of the Synod. She has represented the Church of England at the World Council of Churches, served as priest representative on the Anglican Consultative Council and a Selection Secretary for the Church of England. She has helped to select men and women seeking to test their vocation to the ministry. She is often called upon to present some religious broadcasting and interviews by the media. She was recently made Fellow in Public Theology at Virginia Theological Seminary, USA.



2018

Rev Rev Thomas.

Women in Christianity



2019

Rev Caroline Wickens.

Mutuality in God's own image.

2021

The voice of women  
in Christian worship and Leadership

2022

In search of a better future  
for mothers and daughters in Christian ministry



Rev. Rose Josephine Hudson-Wilkin

For further info please contact NTCG Leadership Training Centre, 3 Cheyne Walk, Northampton, NN1 5PT

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To book a place at the annual lecture for a cost of £25.00 including Previous Transcripts please go to

<https://ntcg-oliver-lyseight-lecture-2019-ticket.eventbrite.co.uk>

# **2020 Church and Pastor's Council Election**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2020**



## Nomination Process

- Now open
- Current CPC members are nominated by default unless they state otherwise
- Forms are on the Notice board, all members are free to nominate.
- 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 – Nominations close
- 5<sup>th</sup> January - Eligible nominees selected
- 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> January -Nominees interviewed by ministerial panel
- 19<sup>th</sup> January -Nominations published
- 26<sup>th</sup> January – New Church & Pastors Council Elected



# **Strengthening our Grip in Prayer in 2019 & Growing In Prayer Together!**

You are invited to join in prayer on our local church family's new **Telephone Prayer Line** now set up and in use.

Let us continue **Strengthening our Grip on Prayer and Growing in Prayer Together** based on the written word of God.



**Join us weekly on Tuesday and Thursday mornings  
for 1 hour Prayer Watch: 6:00am - 7:00am.**

Below are the telephone number and the access instructions:

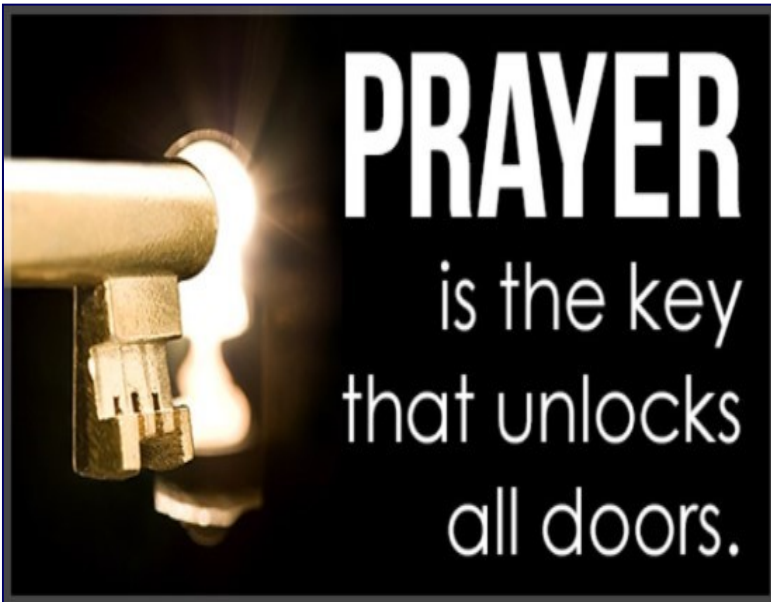
- 1) Dial Tele number: 033 3443 3443**
- 2) Then enter Room Password: 488 52205#**
- 3) Finally enter the Pin number: 1053#**

***Please Note: DO NOT forget to enter the # key in Steps 2 and 3 above***

May God bless us abundantly in our prayer lives this year as individuals and a church family!

***The Local Church Prayer Ministry Team***





Please continue to  
**PRAY for and visit**  
those who are  
experiencing illnesses  
or recovering.

# notes

Date:

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Over the next few months we will be **reducing** the number of printed notice sheets.

Don't worry you can still get your weekly notices!



Sign up to receive a copy by email - a copy will be issued weekly, no later than Sunday morning. Email Comms Team on [news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk)



Visit our website

[www.ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/about-us/news](http://www.ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/about-us/news)

## DON'T MISS OUT

There will be a steady reduction in the number of printed notice sheets available over the next few months - Don't miss out - **sign up!**

## *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 book an appointment with Annie Dzwaka on 01604 630 007**  
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\*\*](mailto: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](http://www.ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/about-us/news)