



**Senior Pastor: Bishop Donovan Allen**

**22 March 2020**

# **SPECIAL NOTICE**

## **STATEMENT FROM BISHOP D ALLEN & LEADERSHIP TEAM NTCG NORTHAMPTON**

### **Greetings to members and community family of Northampton**

With the recent developments this week on the current Covid-19 outbreak, and in keeping with government guidelines, we are taking the unprecedented decision of suspending our church service from Sunday 22 March 2020 until further notice.

We are aware that this is a very difficult time for each of us, our families and the wider community. We believe that it is important to keep connected and are therefore exploring and putting different approaches to our mission and ministry in place whilst the pandemic lasts.

We plan to share 30 to 40-minute sermons each Sunday in audio or video form. The time and frequency will be communicated to you from the Leadership via the Comms Team over the next few days.

*Further updates will follow.*

*Bishop Donovan Allen*

**Senior Pastor**

*NTCG Northampton*

Psalms 121:1 I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**Church & Pastor's** Marie Aransevia, Martin Cole, Ronald Hundah, Wilbur Jeffers  
**Council Members:** & Vivienne Welsh; Paulette Wright (CPC Secretary/Treasurer)  
Rev Phyllis Brown, Rev Dennis Hines, Bishop Rudolph Parkinson,  
Rev Virginia Thomas, Rev Phyllis Thompson

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**STATEMENT FROM BISHOP D ALLEN &  
LEADERSHIP TEAM NTCG NORTHAMPTON**

**To All our beloved Members and Friends of the New Testament Church of God**

Following our statement on Sunday 15 March 2020, the recent developments this week on the current Covid-19 outbreak, and in keeping with government guidelines, we are taking the unprecedented decision of closing our church building from Sunday 22 March 2020 until further notice to restrict non-essential public gatherings.

We are aware that this is a very difficult time for each of us, our families and the wider community. We believe that it is important to keep connected and are therefore exploring and putting different approaches to our mission and ministry in place whilst the pandemic lasts.

We plan to share 30 to 40-minute sermons each Sunday in audio or video form. The time and frequency will be communicated to you from the Leadership via the Comms Team over the next few days.

It is very important that we keep in touch with each other. Please stay in touch via your Women's, Men's, Seniors, Youth, and Cell Group Leaders. They will liaise with myself, the Ministers and the Church & Pastor's Council (CPC). You can also join us on our weekly telephone Prayer line. Please note the days and times below:

Monday Evenings	7.30pm to 8.30pm
Tuesday Morning	6.00am to 7.00am
Thursday Morning	6.00am to 7.00am
Saturday Morning	7.00am to 8.00am

To access the prayer line, please follow the instruction below:

Dial Tele number: 033 3443 3443  
Then enter Room Password: 488 52205#  
Finally enter the Pin number: 1053#

Regular updates will be communicated via email, SMS, WhatsApp messages or telephone calls for those with no access to IT facilities. Please ensure that we have your current contact details email [secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk) or [news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk).

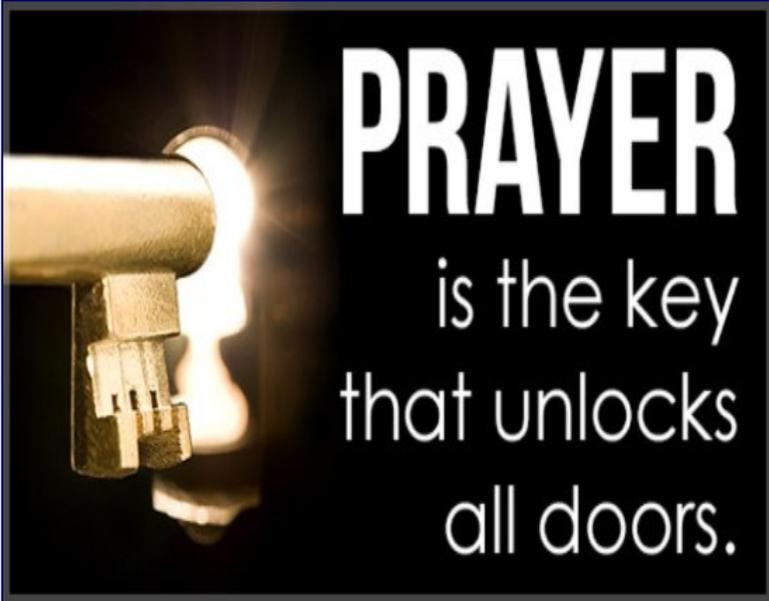
The Lord prepared us with the prophetic word of Rev Phyllis Brown recently when we were encouragingly instructed to pray in partnership for each other. May I encourage anyone without a praying partner to link up with someone and stay in touch with each other as we navigate these turbulent times. Psalms 46 and 91 are powerful scriptures for meditation and basis for our prayers.

It is essential that you inform us as soon as possible, should you become crucially ill, so that we can pray and support in any way we can.

Please look after yourselves and take the necessary precautions.

Be reminded that amid of all the challenges God is still in control.

Bishop Donovan Allen  
**Senior Pastor**  
**NTCG Northampton**



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

Please be advised that the following National Events have been **postponed**.

Revised dates will be announced in due course:

- National Secretary Treasurer's Conference  
**17<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> April**
- National Safeguarding Conference  
**18<sup>th</sup> April**
- National Youth & Discipleship Convention  
**1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> May**
- WDM Leadership Development Training Seminar  
**9<sup>th</sup> May**
- 18 – 35 Initiative  
**9<sup>th</sup> May**
- Retired Ministers' Retreat  
**13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> May**
- LifeBuilders Residential Retreat  
**12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> June**

**National Convention, remains under review**

**This Week's Lesson - 20 March 2020**

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



### ***After the Final Judgement***

*Rev 14:11-13, 19:20, 20:14-15, 21:3-7, Rev 22, 1 Cor 15:19, 2 Cor: 5:11, Rom 2:9, 2 Thes 1:9, Matt 8:12, 13:42,50, 25:46 , Eph 5:5, 2 Peter 3:10- 13*

- How would you answer a person who argues that since God is a God of love there is no place such as hell for the wicked?*

Theological Reflection

LIVING WHAT WE BELIEVE  
Volume 1

**A Believing  
People**

**In a Current Crisis**

**Wednesday**

**25th March 2020**

**7.00pm**

**With**

**Bishop Donovan Allen**

*Details to follow*

# Discipleship Growth Plan

## September 2019 – April 2020

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



My family and I have been attending College Street since December 2017. Our time at this Church has been quite significant in our discipleship particularly in recent times when we have been privileged to engage with the Discipleship Growth Plan 'Living what we believe'. We have experienced a huge transformation of our lives through the Word of God as it has been preached and taught through this programme. We have been inspired to deepen our love of the Lord and to serve Him more diligently.

The discipleship Growth programme, designed by Bishop Allen and the leadership team to help to shepherd the children of God is a wonderful source of information, motivation and challenge. Being a disciple is not simply about being a Church member. It is much more than that. A disciple is someone who believes in Jesus Christ and has confessed Him as His Lord and Saviour and seek to be like him in how we think, what we say and how we behave.

Through this programme we learn to live what we believe. We believe that God's Word is true and alive. In Hebrews 4:12, Paul said 'For the word

of God is living and active *and* full of power [making it operative, energizing, and effective]. It is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating as far as the division of the soul and spirit [the completeness of a person], and of both joints and marrow [the deepest parts of our nature], exposing *and* judging the very thoughts and intentions of the heart.' We learn that His word only becomes a living thing when we begin to act on it. The word of God is God speaking to us. So, we are invited to hear the Word and let the Word speak to us. Let the Word be our reference point for life. We can utterly depend on His Word for guidance in every aspect of our life and in so doing we can live our lives as blessed people and be a blessing to others.

The programme has also helped us to live by faith. I am grateful that God led us to such a good church. I thank everyone for the support and love my family and I receive. We feel like we have become part of the family. The NTCG at College Street is a good church and we are glad to come here to worship. As we have been given opportunities to serve God, we pray that we shall bear fruits according to His will.

**Ronald Hundah**



College Street, Northampton, NN1 2QF

## **NTCG Membership**

*If you are wishing to take up membership at NTCG Northampton, please contact Paulette Wright at [secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk) to arrange a meeting with me.*

*Thank you*

*Bishop Donovan Allen*

## *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](mailto:secrtary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk) for an appointment**  
Surgery runs from 10.00 am - 3.00 pm & 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm 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 **5 pm 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)