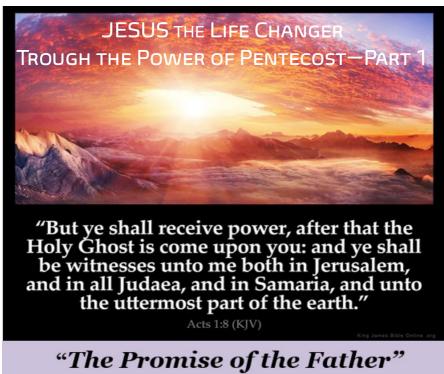


Senior Pastor: Bishop Donnovan Allen

1 May 2022



Scripture: t Luke 24:44-53 & Acts 1:1-8 (NKJV) **Speaker: Rev Virginia Thomas**

Saturday Morning "Prayer Watch" - 7.00 am to 8.00 am

Church & Pastor's Council Members:

Associate Ministers:

Philip Edwards, Wilbur Jeffers, Norma Moss, Rachelle Peart, Louis Wright, Tiffany Dubidad, Paulette Wright (CPC Secretary/ Treasurer).

Local Ministers:

Rev Phyllis Brown, Rev Dennis Hines, Bishop Rudolph Parkinson,

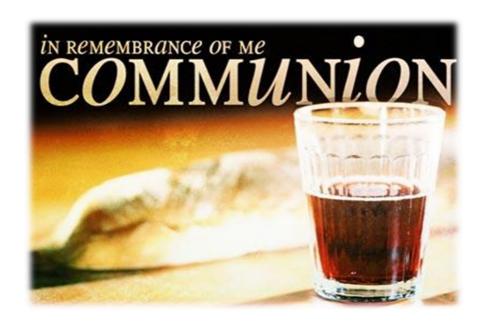
Rev Virginia Thomas, Rev Phyllis Thompson

Rev Audrey Browne, Rev Paulette Derby-Johnson, Rev Alicia Hyder,

Tel. 01604 630 007

Email: info@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk

Join us for Communion Service Sunday 1st May 2022



Led by Bishop Donnovan Allen

The Celebration of Life of Mother Elka Sterling

at

New Testament Church of God College Street, Northampton NN1 2QP

on

Friday 6 May 2022 at 10.30 am

Interment at Kingsthorpe Cemetery

Reception at

Northampton County Cricket Ground

All are welcomed



Please pray for . . .

- Sis Spence who is now back home and recovering
- Sis Barbara Harrison recovering at home
- Those in our church family who are poorly or on the road of recovery

Please keep them and their families in your prayers this week



Would you like someone to pray with you?

GET IN TOUCH 01604 436394 during our live service

11:00 am -1:00 pm TODAY



Youth Forum

Every 2nd & 4th Sunday of each Month at 11.45 am

Downstairs Hall behind the Pulpit

Do come along with your Bible or Bible Apps

Be ready to explore, learn and share the word and our faith, as its expected of us Proverbs 21:21

For further information please contact

Rev Paulette Derby-Johnson 07935 451420

Sis Murna Braham-Stewart 07737 536156

For any changes and updates please use the Youth and Parents WhatsApp Groups



Whitemoor Lakes
Barley Green Lane
Lichfield
Staffordshire
WS13-801

AGE: 13 - 23 COST: £125 PER PERSON (FULL BOARD)
£40 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT MUST BE RETURNED TO YOUR

DISTRICT/LOCAL YOUTH DIRECTOR BY SUNDAY 15TH MAY 2022

For more information on YOUTH ACADEMY '22, please contact your local or district Youth and Discipleship Director.

Telephone 01604 824 220 Email Youth@ntcg.org.uk Visit www.youthacademy.org.uk

Full Board = Friday evening meal; Breakfast, lunch, and evening meal on Saturday; Breakfast and lunch on Sunday;

For further information Parents please contact Rev Paulette Derby-Johnson - 07935 451420 Sis Murna Braham-Stewart - 07737 536156



NTCG Northampton Compulsory Safeguarding Training

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE Thursday 26 May 2022 at 7.00 pm to 9.30 pm via Zoom Webinar

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SAFEGUARDING FOR ADULTS

Saturday 18 June 2022

at 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm via Zoom Webinar

Members who are required to attend both training sessions have already been contact with training materials and log in details

For further information please contact

Sis Annie Dzwaka - Safeguarding Lead

Mobile: 07933 149107



LEICESTER DISTRICT CONVENTION 2022

The Leicester District Convention returns this year on

Saturday 4th June 2022 & Sunday 5th June 2022

at New Testament Church of God

The Lighthouse

Melbourne Road

Leicester LE2 oDR

** SAVE THE DATE **

Further information will be shared soon



New Converts Class



Come and join our new converts class with Rev Phyllis Brown & Sis Marie Aransevia

Every Sunday

(*except for the 1st Sunday of each month*)

From 10.00 am to10.45 am in Prayer Room

Commencing Sunday 8th May 2022

Session 1: Getting to Know your Church



We are pleased to announce that our Seniors will be resuming their weekly meetings from

Thursday 5th May 2022
11.00 am to 1.00 pm
at
NTCG College Street

For further information please speak to Sis Gloria Bartley





Thursday 5th & 19th MAY 2022

with Sis Paulette Peters

7.00 pm to 8.30 pm

Zoom Meeting Details

Meeting ID: 833 9883 4765

Passcode: 546095

For further information please email wdm@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk



Lifebuilders Hour Thursday 12th & 26th April 2022

with Bro Wilbur Jeffers

7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

Zoom Meeting Details

Meeting ID: 843 2705 8587

Passcode: 449258

Join us for



Wednesday 4th May @ 7.00 pm

Topic:

Following Jesus

Description:

Confident Living in Christ

Scripture:

Philippians Chapter 1:1-26

Facilitator: Rev Dennis Hines

Zoom Meeting Details

Meeting ID: 898 0174 9043

Passcode: 216602

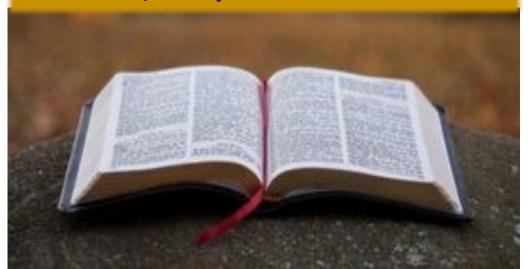
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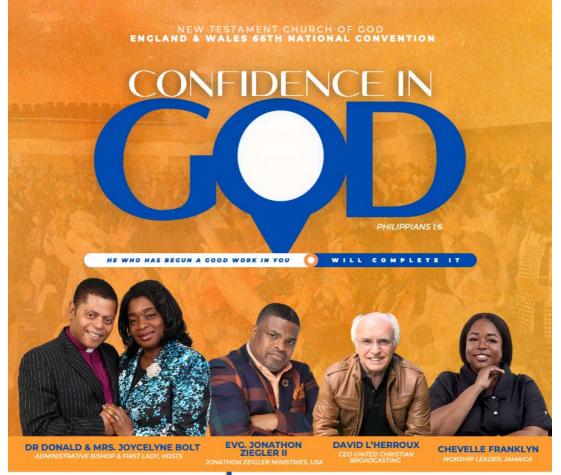
8th May 2022

in the Sanctuary

Taught by Martin Cole

15th May—Louis Wright 22nd May—Paulette Peters 29th May—Annie Dzwaka





16-17 JULY 2022

BETHEL CONVENTION CENTRE KELVIN WAY, WEST BROMWICH B70 7JW

REGISTRATION **REGISTER ONLINE AT EARLY BIRD** STANDARD **ADULT WEEKEND** £18.00 £23.00 For enquiries call us on 01604 824 222 or email: admin@ntcg.org.uk **ADULT DAY** £11.00 £15.00 WWW.NTCG.ORG.UK **SENIOR WEEKEND** £11.00 £15.00 **SENIOR DAY** £5.00 £5.00 NTCGONLINE CHILD (12-17) £5.00 £5.00 **CHILD (0-11)** FREE **MNTCG** MISSI No.

Registration Link:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ntcg-national-convention-2022-tickets-324004204297

Children's Church

Every Sunday

(except for the 1st Sunday of each month)

Children's Church for 12 years and younger is being held Upstairs Hall



Start Time: 11:45 am



 $Proverbs\ 22:6\ (NLT)$ Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it.

So, like a well rooted tree our focus is to equip our children in the knowledge and wisdom of God, so that they grow in godly confidence, helping to prepare them for the greatness almighty God has gifted to each one.

For any further queries or if anyone would like to be involved in Children's Church, please see Fiona or Tanya



Engine Room May 2022

iii 11th May @ 10:30 - 12:30

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#

This is our Testimony

Portia & Jude Johnson



Hello church, I am Portia. I made a decision to become a Christian at the age of 9. I gave my life to the Lord at the Youth Convention in Bethel, Birmingham and the year after, in 2014, at the age of 10, I was baptised in water on the 31st of December. And I am Jude. I became a Christian in 2015 and got baptised in water later in the same year.

Our experience at the College Street NTCG has been very rich and life changing due to the fact that this is where we were brought up and also due to the fact that we live our lives according to what we were taught here right from children's church to the youth group including the main service and at home. This church has taught us a lot. We admire the fact that the atmosphere is spiritually empowering and enables the congregation to be free and open. Being brought up in this church from birth, we have had the privilege of constant support and help to grow in our faith and to explore different ways of worship and ministry from the youth worship team/ musicians to the flag ministry and also the media ministry.

Being young Christians, we face many challenges in life. We believe the biggest challenge that we face is peer pressure like many others of our generation There is tremendous pressure to do what those around us are doing. All people, young and old, are subjected to the pressure to conform in order to be accepted and liked by others. The majority of the youth find it hard to learn to be themselves and not imitate others. Many find it hard to think for themselves and blindly follow the way of the crowd. We understand everyone should try to be socially friendly, acceptable, courteous, gentle, pleasant and polite. But we also understand that these qualities are best developed and portrayed when they are done as an expression of our attempt to copy Jesus. But it is sometimes very hard to stand on our own feet and be independent of peer pressure and do not let others govern our lives.

Romans 12:2 says "Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good. pleasing and perfect will." Paul tells us to abandon the chase for pleasure. possessions, and status—to stop living like evervone else. Instead, he urges us to be transformed from the inside out. Specifically, he writes that we must be changed in how we think, to have our minds renewed so that we can begin to understand God's will for our lives. So, we hold onto the scripture and continue to allow Jesus to change us from the inside and stride to stand above the continual pressure. When facing these challenges. sonas that the two encourages us are:

- (i) Stand Out by Tye Tribbett https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4vfIMIVUwXU
- (ii) No Gray by Jonathan McReynolds https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mp9nsloB-JU

Getting to know our stories, checking what we think makes good fellowship, organising more relevant activities/ outings, communicating through newer/ popular apps with us, teaching in new, fresh exciting ways and making teaching and youth services relatable to young people's everyday lives are a few suggestions that we truly consider would inspire and excite us as young people about the Christian faith and get us more involved within the church.

During Covid, our church had to change quite significantly. We had to be on zoom and abide by rules when physically entering the church. Unfortunately, this stopped us from engaging in fellowship with other young people which halted the growth of the youth programme as a whole and it has been difficult to rekindle when we were allowed back in church. However, being in lockdown allowed us to

study the word day and night as a family and also independently. Some of our favourite scriptures that we would like to share with you are Jeremiah 29:11 " For I know the plans I have for you said the Lord.....", Ezra 10:4 "Rise up; this matter is in your hands. We will support you...." and finally Psalm 23:4 "Even though I walk in through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me..."

Our family devotions have been one of biaaest and the most important contributions to our growth in the Christian faith. It has helped to create a firm foundation for our spiritual growth. It has helped to train us to value and practice these spiritual disciplines from an early age and to aim to carry these practices with us through life.

We agree that all young people need some sort of family devotion whether it is their biological/ non-biological family, church family or even friendship groups. Family devotion is like a charger. Whatever negativity that has crept into our daily lives, devotion as a family/group serves as our "re-fuelling", "re-charging" tool for whatever the next day may bring. Whatever happy moments, blessings we have received, family devotions are a great way to praise the Lord and give Him thanks and also the best for young people to know that they have a place to off-load and get support.

Thank you for reading our testimony. We pray that you will be inspired and encouraged to go forth and spread the word, understanding that we are all unique, divinely called without partiality.

If you have a story/testimony to share, please let Rev Phyllis Thompson know by emailing her on:

phyllis.thompson@ntcg.org.uk



@lifebuildersuk



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

6th Sis Paulette Peters
11th Rev Phyllis Brown
12th Kadesha Edwards
15th Sis Sam Ewer
19th Sis Monique Welds
23rd Sis Gertie Williams
Bro Cyprian Welds

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 5.00 pm on Wednesday

NTCG Northampton

2022 Church Theme: Jesus the Life Changer



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Mission Statement

We exist to share the gospel of Jesus Christ with everyone so that they can know God and be transformed by the good news

Vision Statement

We are followers of Jesus Christ who give hope, share love and respect

We are community that is inclusive welcoming and accepting of all

We are a Christ Centre Church that serve the community of Northampton

We create an environment where all can grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ embracing each other

We are a central hub for the community where everyone is valued



Core Values

Jesus is always at the Centre

(Hebrews 12:2, 1 Corinthians 11:1-2, Philippians 1:20-21)

We believe in empowering others to discover their giftings, ministries and callings

(1 Thessalonians 9:11, Romans 12:4-8, I Corinthians 12:4-11, Ephesians 4:11-13)

We believe that Christ's followers should manifest authenticity and yearn for continuous growth

(Ephesians 4.25-25, 32, Hebrews 12:1, Philippians 1:6)

We believe that every individual should be valued (Ephesians 4:29-32)

We believe in connecting with the life of our community (1 Corinthians 9:19-23)

We believe a church should operate as a unified community of servants, with men and women stewarding their spiritual gifts

(1 Corinthians 1:12 & 14, Romans 12, Ephesians 4, Psalm 133:1)

We believe loving relationships and fellowship with one another are key aspects for a flourishing church life

(1 John 1:7, Acts 2:42, Acts 2:44-47)

We believe every believer should be discipled so they can share the good news

(Matthew 27:17-20)

Ways of Giving

We are ever so grateful for the generosity of those who have been supporting us financially. Please note the following details:

Bank: NatWest

Name: NTCG Northampton

Sort code: 60-15-55

Account: 83826793

Reference: Initial Last Name – Type

e.g. J Bloggs - T

Payment Type: T = Tithes / O = Offering / G = Gift /

B = Benevolence / WDM = Women's /

Y=Youth

Details to **donate online** can be found on our webpage https://ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/how-to-dolnate/

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

Special thanks to for your continued support of Tithes,
Offerings, Benevolence and Gifts.

God bless you all Bishop Allen & Leadership Team



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

New Testament Church of God College Street, Northampton, NN 1 2QP secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk www.ntcgnorthampton.org.uk

WEEKLY NOTICES

Make full use of the Notice Sheet by sending your Testimonies, words of encouragement and articles. 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 Comms 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? https://ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/how-to-donate/

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