

#### Senior Pastor: Bishop Donnovan Allen

#### **26 December 2021**



Scripture: Isaiah 9:6 & Matthew 1: 21 - 23

**Speaker: Rev Virginia Thomas** 

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

Church & Pastor's Council Members: Local Ministers:

Marie Aransevia, Martin Cole. Ronald Hundah, Wilbur Jeffers & Vivienne Welsh, Paulette Wright (CPC Secretary/Treasurer)
Rev Phyllis Brown, Rev Dennis Hines, Bishop Rudolph Parkinson,
Rev Virginia Thomas, Rev Phyllis Thompson



....on Friday 31st December 2021 from 10.00pm....

Prayer/Praise/Reflections/Testimonies/Thanksgiving

College Street, Northampton



- Time of:
- Prayer
- Worship
- Praise
- Reflection
- Testimonies



# Key Prayer Points

- Prayer for a Breakthrough in the International World in general;
- ....Pandemic, natural disasters, climate change and political unrest...
- Revival & Reformation in the church;
- ...starting with the Clergy (Leadership) and the laity (disciples/members)...
  - The issues being faced by the church;
- ...the future of our youths, society, government and for Christ Church to Rise and share the "Good

JESUS THE LIFE CHANGER IS COMING YOUR WAY IN 2022



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#### Join us for Communion Service Sunday 2nd January 2022



Led by Bishop Donnovan Allen

#### **NTCG Northampton**

## 2022 Church Theme: Jesus the Life Changer



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#### January 2022 – Month of Prayer

Theme	Jesus the Life Changer Acts 13:1-14		
Week 1	Sun 9th Jan	Power Prayer 10.00 am to 10.30 am	
	Mon 10th Jan to Fri 14th Jan	Family Prayer Time  Ephesians 3:14-16	
	Sat 15th Jan	District Prayers 10.00 am to 4.00 pm Joining in with Leicester Church	
Week 2	Sun 16th Jan	Powe Prayer 10.00 am to 10.30 am	
	Mon 17th Jan to Sun 23rd Jan	National Week of Prayers	
Week 3	Sun 23rd Jan	Power Prayer 10.00 am to 10.30 am	
	Mon 24th Jan to Sat 29th Jan	The importance and benefits of Prayer and Fasting	<ul> <li>(1) Fasting reminds us how much we need God</li> <li>(2) (2) Fasting helps us focus and here God's voice</li> <li>(3) (3) Fasting purifies and strength the soul Matthew 5:16-18</li> </ul>
Week 4	Sun30th Jan	Power Prayer 10.00 am to 10.30 am Lord's Supper and Feet Washing	

## This is my Testimony . . . . .

#### Sis Susan Wright



I was baptised in 1966 in the Parish of Manchester in Jamaica. My Christian journey has and continues to be simply awesome. For

example, the story of how I've come to live here in Northampton, England still amazes me. I had a vision whilst in Jamaica in which I myself in а house Northampton. At the time I only knew of an aunt in Birmingham. At the time when I had the vision, I met a woman who was caring for three children because their mother was poorly, and she told me that the doctors had given up on her. I told my mum the full story as the lady had shared with me and I said to my Mum, 'What can I give her?' My mum sent me to my Grandma to find out what she thought we could do to help. My Grandma made some porridge and some advice to bed-bath her which I did over a few weeks. During this time, I was guided by the Holy Spirit about how to keep hear warm. Over the course of time, I learnt that she had been living in Northampton and her husband was still in England in the air force.

Over the next few weeks, the lady regained her health, and contacted her husband, and he Jamaica. Whilst came to in Jamaica and hearing of my care support of his wife and children, he decided to take me to England with them to which agreed. The successful application for my passport is another story of the Lord at work in my life but space will not allow for this. Suffice it to say, when I got to England, the house looked just like the one I saw in my vision. I have three sayings that I learnt from this part of my Christian life: one. The Lord will always make a way where there seems to be no way, two: Always help people, nothing is too good to give away and three: We are blessed to be a blessing.

How I came to be at NTCG is another story of how God speaks to me through visions. In 1994, I saw the church in Standens Barn. Northampton in a vision before I knew anything about this NTCG branch in Northampton. Again, space does not allow me to go into the details here. There were only a few people there, but fellowship was lovely. My son, Jamie and the other young people sang in the choir. The few of us worked hard to raise funds for the things we needed such as a new Church van. Then I had a vision to purchase a church building instead of a church van and we worked together to raise the money. What and how we did this is another long story. But what I learned about God through all of this, is that he has given every one of us at least one talent to use for his glory if we allow him to do so. He has a plan for each one of us and if we are connected to the Holy Spirit, we will know what to do and when to do it. The Peterborough NTCG was very supportive at this time, and I remember them with gratitude. Another thing I have learnt is that in the midst of life. bad things can happen to us and of us suffer from can some

mistreatment along the way. But through it all we can make it. Eph 2:8-10 speaks loud and clear to me. 'We are all a work in progress'. The Lord wants to develop us to be like Jesus and if we allow him to change us, it will happen.

The pandemic is a case in point. It has affected everyone in many different Some people ways. ended up very lonely. However, during lockdown I was lonely, I firmly believe God when he says he will never leave nor forsake us. And I can say I got closer to God during this time. I gained a greater understanding of how we should live as Christians. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers. We should be there for other. Make ourselves each available to each other. I pray that we will see more of this at College Street. I am also praying that visitors to our Church, including those from Eastern Europe, will find us to be a caring Church and feel welcome to stay and become a part of our fellowship.

If you have a story/testimony to share, please let Rev Phyllis Thompson know by emailing her on: <a href="mailto:phyllis.thompson@ntcg.org.uk">phyllis.thompson@ntcg.org.uk</a>

#### 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

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B = Benevolence

Details to **donate online** can be found on our webpage <a href="https://ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/how-to-dolnate/">https://ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/how-to-dolnate/</a>

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



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

1st Mother Medlin Gleghorn
6th Sandra Heath
8th Brittani Francis
14th Ernie Barrett
14th Leavon Bowman
17th Paulette Wright
19th Jude Johnson
23rd Martin Cole
25th Clifford Johnson
25th Richard Holness

### If it's your birthday this month, please let the Comms Team know

Please contact a member of the Comms Team or email <a href="mailto:news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk">news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk</a> and we will include your news in the weekly notice sheet - all items to be submitted



#### **COLLEGE STREET, NORTHAMPTON**

#### **UPDATED IMPORTANT CHURCH NOTICE**

Further to the Government announcement on this week of in increased cases of Covid-19 and Omicron variant restrictions have been reinstated.

Face coverings/masks are now mandatory in all places of worship, with the exemption where it is not practical, such as when eating, drinking or singing for everyone attending church services in College Street.

I am encouraging everyone to remain cautious and observe to the following:

- All attendees will have their temperature checked on arrival. If you have a temperature of 37.8 degrees Celsius or above, you and your travelling companions will be asked to return home, self-isolate and seek medical attention.
- Hand sanitizer stations will remain at the entrance and exit of the building, please use these as often as you can.
- All attendees are encouraged to wear a face covering/ mask in the main sanctuary.
- If for health reasons you are not able to wear a face covering/mask, please continue to maintain social distance with others.

- Follow the Steward's instructions as they direct you to your seat.
- It is essential that if you have Covid /Omicron symptoms, however mild, or test positive for Covid, please inform a member of the Leadership team, and follow the Government guidelines. Most importantly, please do not attend church to ensure the safety of others.
- If you feel anxious, please speak to Colleen Coates of the Pastoral Care team. Be assured we will take care of you and the safety of all our members and friends.
- Any further changes will be reviewed as guided by data from Government and Public Health. We will ensure that you are informed before any formal decisions are made.

We continue to focus on ensuring that **everyone** that comes into our church can worship in a safe environment and we will continue to do so by God's grace.

Thank you for working with us as we get through these uncertain times.

God Bless

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**Bishop Donnovan Allen** Senior Pastor NTCG Northampton

#### 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**).



#### 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

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#### **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 <a href="mailto:news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk">news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk</a>

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.

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