

## Sabbath School

9.45 am

<b>Welcome</b>	Yetunde Bright
<b>Hymn 465 NAH</b>	'Oh for a Heart to Praise my God!'
<b>Prayer</b>	Jean Hinks
<b>Mission News</b>	Graham Allcock
<b>Meditation in Music</b>	'Great is Thy Faithfulness' Shanice Romain-Spleen
<b>Lesson Study</b>	<b>'The Christian Life'</b>
<b>Mission Offering</b>	Bukky Ayo Ipaye
<b>Hymn 136 NAH</b>	'Lo He Comes with Clouds Descending'
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Bukky Ayo Ipaye



<b>Host</b>	Tunde Adebayo
<b>Praise Team Led by</b>	Dan Sabatier
<b>Preacher</b>	Nick Dean
<b>Sermon Title</b>	<b>'It Was Just An Empty Shed'</b>



### **THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAFE**

**TONIGHT at 7.30pm**

Great food, live music, please invite your friends!  
There are still a few places left.  
Please see Lydia directly after the Service to book.

## Announcements

**WELCOME.** We warmly welcome each of you - both visitors and members - to worship with us this morning.

**THE SINGING GROUP** will be singing today at Fairway, WD19 4LX at 6 pm

**PRAYER CORNER.** Let us pray for those newly unemployed, and/or homeless, and for those hurt by the unrest and violence around the world.

**KIT VOLUNTEERS.** Today is distribution day. Please collect your copies before leaving church. Many thanks.

**THE SOUP RUN** will start up again on Friday 4 January. If you wish to go, pls contact Pat Walton on 01923 672 500.

**THE NEXT TUESDAY TALKS** will be on 8 January. Jacques Venter will speak on the subject 'The Unexpected Future'. The talk will start at 8pm. A light supper will be served at 7pm.

**THE TOY SERVICE.** 'Thank you' to all the members and friends who donated toys. Most of the toys have now left the church and are on their way to the needy children in the Watford Borough.

**THE WELFARE DEPARTMENT** is in need of clothes for children aged 3 years upwards, Double and Single sheets and duvet covers, towels, winter coats for children, men and ladies. Food is always welcome.

**GIFT WRAPPING, 22 DECEMBER 4-8PM, CEDAR/SYCAMORE ROOM.** Enjoy the luxury of having your gifts wrapped for you. Just bring your presents along and wait while they are expertly wrapped. Light refreshments will be on sale and there will be some entertainment for your enjoyment.

**FAMILY MINISTRIES PRAYER BASKET.** This week's Prayer Basket will be passed on to the Labalestra family. Let us pray for God's guidance and blessings upon Paula and Davide, and their children Elizabeth and Daniel.

**DIG A LITTLE DEEPER SEMINAR, 22 DECEMBER .** The next seminar will start at 4pm in Armstrong Hall. Come and gain new insights and learn how better to study the Word of God.

**ADRA-UK - THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE - (WAKAWAKA LIGHT CAMPAIGN).** Our aim is to distribute as many WakaWaka lights as possible to "off-grid" families so their children can do their homework at night, taking away the danger of kerosene lamps. Help us 'pass it on' by liking us on Facebook!

### **CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING EVENTS FOR 'STOP'**

**INTERNATIONAL CHARITY.** Please join our fundraising events by singing carols **at ASDA** 17 Dec 6-8pm; 23 Dec 11am-1pm; and **at Brent Cross** 18 Dec 5-8pm. We will also be providing Gift Wrapping at the Harlequin on 24 December from 9am until closing time. Contact Kish Poddar for more details at 01923 673 987.

**JUNIOR CHOIR.** If you have children aged between 10&14yrs & would like them to join the Junior Choir, please see Jiae Ahn to book a place. Rehearsals Thurs 5.30-6.30pm.

**OUR CHURCH SERVICES ARE RECORDED** and streamed live on the internet. If you prefer not to be filmed please ask one of the deacons to assist you to appropriate seating.

**DVD RECORDINGS OF OUR SERVICES** are available for purchase. Order from the Reception Desk after the service.

**TRAINING IN SAFE FOOD HANDLING.** One day course at Watford Town Church, Sunday 6 January 9.30am-4.30pm. For further information including cost and to register by Dec 18, please contact Pastor Sam Davies of Bedford Church at samodavies@aol.com

**SPCM.** Interested in Lessons in Violin, Cello, Guitar, Woodwind & Brass instruments, as well as Singing (1-1, or group lessons)? Contact Jiae on [spcmahn@gmail.com](mailto:spcmahn@gmail.com)

**CREATIVE CRAFT CLASSES** - every Wed 1.30-3.30pm in the Larch Room. All are welcome. For more details, please contact Pat Walton or Joanna Gentle 07722 342 948.

**SECONDARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT** will be held in the Sanctuary on Thursday 20 December at 7pm. There will be refreshments afterwards.

### **NOVEMBER TITHES & OFFERINGS**

#### **For our local Church**

Church expense offerings from church and parallel services £ 4,956

#### **For Conference & World**

Tithes £22,946  
Sabbath School Mission offerings £ 2,570  
Thanks to God for enabling us to support His work so abundantly. Remember though that it is possible to substantially increase giving at no extra cost to ourselves simply by using Gift Aid. Less than half of our tithes and offerings take advantage of this plan which could add 25% or £8000 a month from tax paid and returned to the church. If you are a tax payer why not take seriously this easy way to increase our budget and increase our mission.

## Divine Service

**11 am**

'O God, You are our God.  
Earnestly we seek You today. Our souls thirst for you,  
Our whole being longs for you.'

**From Psalm 63**

**Introit** 'Holy, Holy, Holy'

**Silent Prayer**

**Call to worship** 'At Thy Feet, our God and Father,  
Who hast blest us all our days,  
We with grateful hearts would gather,  
To begin this day with praise;  
Praise for Light so brightly shining  
On our steps from heaven above;  
Praise for mercies daily twining  
Round us golden cords of love.'  
NAH 227 v1

**Invocation** Please Remain Standing For Hymn

**Hymn 88 NAH** 'O Come, O Come, Immanuel'

**Tithes and Offerings**

**Family Prayer** Richard Poulton

**Children's Story** Paulina Rinta-Aho

**Meditation in Music** 'Angels', by John Rutter  
Youth Choir

**Scripture Reading** Genesis 15: 7-21 (NRSV), Ivana Mendez

**Hymn 86 NAH** 'Hark! the Herald Angels Sing'

**Sermon** 'Mary Got It', Ivana Mendez

**Hymn 94 NAH** 'Hark the Glad Sound'

**Benediction** Ivana Mendez

**Serving Elders:** Richard Poulton and James Shepley  
**Organist:** Neilson Roberts

## Diary

- Sat 15 Dec** Divine Service, 11am, Speaker Ivana Mendez  
Parallel Service, Speaker Nick Dean  
Annual Christmas Cafe
- Mon 17 Dec** Badminton Club, Stan. School, 5.30pm  
Come Be Still, 2-3pm
- Wed 19 Dec** Creative Craft Classes 1.30pm  
Badminton Club, Stan. School, 5.30pm  
Prayer Meeting, 7.30pm
- Thu 20 Dec** Stanborough Secondary School Concert
- Sat 22 Dec** Christmas Service, Combined, 11am,  
Speaker Karin Wieczorek  
'Dig a Little Deeper', 4pm  
Gift Wrapping Service 4pm-8pm
- Fri 4 Jan** Soup Run
- Sun 6 Jan** Training in Safe Food Handling
- Tue 8 Jan** Tuesday Talks

## Contacts

### Pastoral Team

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### Stanborough Centre Office

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### AV Advance Requests/Bookings

[spcavteam@gmail.com](mailto:spcavteam@gmail.com)

AV Duty Assistant for December: Carl Swain

### DVD Recordings of Services

Available to order from the desk after the Divine Service

### Stanborough Park College of Music

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Deadline is **THURSDAY 3pm**

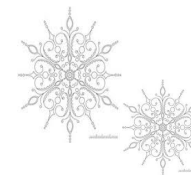


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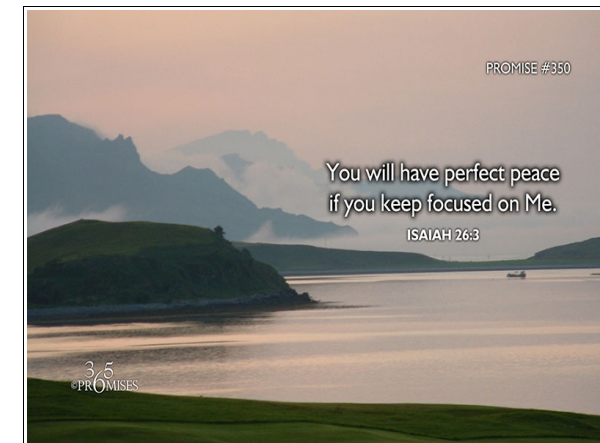
**Today: 3.52**

**Next Friday: 3.54**

15 December 2012



## Welcome To Stanborough Park Church



'You will have perfect peace  
if you keep focused on Me.'  
**Isaiah 26:3**



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