# **PERSONAL** MINISTRIES

Personal Ministry is a facet of the church which endeavors to inspire, motivate, equip, train, and mobilize all members for dynamic Christian service with the conviction that "The church of Christ is organized for service" (Ministry of Healing, p. 148) and "Every son and daughter of God is called to be a missionary; we are called to the service of God and our fellow men".

Activities include:

- Sabbath School Institute
- Membership 101
- Spiritual Gifts
- Sharing the Gopel
- Telephone Evangelism

- Love Your Neighbour Community Outreach



# **LET'SPRAY**

Every Sunday morning at 6am via zoom and Wednesday evenings at 7pm in church, we as a church gather for prayer. [Zoom Meeting ID 753 4201 4921 Password: PRAYER]

- Prayer changes lives.
- Prayer brings increased spiritual strength.
- Prayer keeps us in God's Power.
- Prayer is the secret of Spiritual Power.

The enemy cannot overcome one who prays. Why not join in prayer? See any member of the prayer team or any Elder for more information.

# **MISSION** FOCUS

The 2nd quarter 2024 Thirteenth Sabbath Offering will support 10 projects in the Southern Asia Division. Here are a few:

- Center of influence for families, Yerevan, Armenia
- Center of influence for youth, Minsk, Belarus
- Health center, Tskaltubo, Georgia
- Spiritual and social center, Salekhard, Russia
- Elementary school, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



13 April 2024 Bible Study Hour @ 4pm AY @ 5pm



19 April 2024 Friday Nite Live @ 7:00pm Upper Youth Hall



20 April 2024 JAYS Club @ 4:00pm



27 April 2024 Spanish Church Baptism Women's Ministry Meeting

# Brixton bulletin



Happy Sabbath to all worshipping with us today.

Our speaker today is Elder Derek Morrison from the Croydon SDA Church. May you be blessed by his message.

The afternoon Bible Study Hour at 4:00pm 'Foundations of Faith' will look at the 28th Fundamental Belief of the SDA Church -'The New Earth'.

The day ends with AY at 5:00pm in the Upper Youth Hall.

**#PRAYER WORKS** 

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13 April 2024

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

09:45 am Church at Study

Opening Prayer/Welcome – Ruby Martin Opening Songs Superintendent Remarks – Claudia Johnson Lesson Review - Classes Closing Remarks Prayer – Pauline Osborne

> 10:45 am Sabbath School Institute

11:15 am Pastor's Time Personal Ministries/Announcements

#### 11:30 am Church at Worship

Introit - Praise Team Call to Worship - Roger Campbell Welcome - Milan Robinson & Kashenia Brown Hymn of Praise - No. 537 - Congregation Praise Time - Praise Team Offering - Roger Smith Children's Story - Leonard Boyce Scripture - Matt 24:14 - Maxine Rhodes Prayer - Elder Trevor Wilson Meditational - Lois Moodie The Word - Elder Derek Morrison "X, Y Interception" Closing Song - No 373 - Congregation Benediction - Elder Derek Morrison

> 16:00 pm Bible Study House

17:00 pm - Upper Youth Hall AY - Vision Board Adventure

# BIRTHDAYS

IN APRIL



Birthday greetings to this week's celebrants including: Chevonne Freemantle Joyce Wilson Vinnette Rose Green Reynard Booker Troy Coombes Jonelle Young Carol Roberts MAtthew Robinson Jahraya Pommells



Happy Wedding Anniversary to couples married in the month of April

## **BIBLE** STUDY

This month we focus on Adventist Fundamental Belief #28: The New Earth

On the new earth, in which righteousness dwells, God will provide an eternal home for the redeemed and a perfect environment for everlasting life, love, joy, and learning in His presence. For here God Himself will dwell with His people, and suffering and death will have passed away. The great controversy will be ended, and sin will be no more. All things, animate and inanimate, will declare that God is love; and He shall reign forever. Amen.

(Isa. 35; 65:17-25; Matt. 5:5; 2 Peter 3:13; Rev. 11:15; 21:1-7; 22:1-5.)

At Jesus' Second Coming, the believers who are still alive will be joined by the believers God will raise from the dead. And everyone will be taken to heaven with Him (1 Thessalonians 4:17).

We will stay in heaven with Jesus for 1000 years (the Millennium), where we can learn directly from Him why everything turned out the way it did.

After that, the earth will be cleansed with a quick, purifying fire. Satan and his angels, along with anyone who chose not to accept Christ's sacrifice, will cease to exist. Evil and sin will be no more.



Happy Sabbath! Welcome to God's House of Prayer.

If you had a challenging week, then take comfort in these words - There are days when your problems and concerns may feel so large and so looming you just can't escape them. Questions about the future will fill your mind: 'What if things don't get better? What if the worst happens?' The weight is enough to sink you.

When life brings you to your knees, stay there and exercise the power of prayer. Soon you will be back on your feet, only this time more empowered and ready to face the world! Pouring your heart out to God to help you tackle a difficulty, are prayers that God will hear. Remember your problems will never outmatch God's power. With every problem you face He will meet you where you are and lift you up.

May you have a blessed worship experience today.

## **BIBLE VERSE** of the WEEK Isaiah 41:10

"Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you. Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

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## Highlights from Brixton SDA Church Board Meeting held 8 April 2024

The Board agreed guidelines for using the church halls and rooms on Sabbath. Copies of the guidelines were distributed with today's bulletin.

The Sabbath afternoon Bible Study session is being restructured and will now be called Foundations of Faith. It will be a comprehensive Bible Study programme designed to explore the 28 Fundamental Beliefs of the SDA Church, led by the Pastoral Team. Each weekly session provides an opportunity for church elders and members to discuss and deepen their knowledge and understanding of the church's fundamental beliefs. Today's subject is The New Earth – Belief No. 28.

There will be Church Cleaning on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

An in-reach evangelistic event will be held from the 18-25 May 2024. Meetings will be held in church on Sabbath, Sunday, Wednesday and Friday evenings ending with a baptism on the 25 May. The speaker will be Pastor Dewaine Frazer from the USA.

The board noted the forthcoming programmes and events taking place in April:

- 16 April Plant based Cookery Class
- 19 April Friday Nite Live Event
- 27 April Spanish Church Baptism in the afternoon

Lastly, the church cameras are being upgraded. The new cameras will be placed at strategic points thus improving the streaming quality of our programmes. The team is hoping to have the cameras installed by the end of May.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elders on Duty: First Aiders on Duty: Hugh Samuels & DH Clarke Delrose Green, Joann Jueanville & Veronica Fyffe

The Sick—Please remember in your prayers those in hospital, sick at home – Beverley Munroop, and the housebound.

Condolences to Yvonne Fox-Miller & Joy Smith on the passing of their aunt on Sabbath and Renee Clarke and family on the passing of her mother on Tuesday. Please remember these families in your prayers.

#### Pastor Daly's Office Days:

Surgery: Weekly on Tuesdays & Thursdays. See Pastor to book your slot.

Midweek Prayer Meeting - All are encouraged to join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm via Zoom [Meeting ID: 753 4201 4921 / Password: PRAYER]. The speaker for next week is Kemmardo Simmonds.

#### **Funeral Services**

1. Simon Edwards – Tuesday 16 April here at Brixton at 11:00am

2. Kathleen Black - Thursday 18 April at Hither Green Crematorium Chapel, Verdant Lane, London, SE6 1TP at 12midday. Refreshment will be held at the Ten-Em Bee Hall, 12Oa Old Bromley Road, BR1 4JY.

#### ADRA Annual Appeal 'A Call to Compassion' – has started.

It has been five years since ADRA was able to run a fully-fledged Annual Appeal. Door-to-door collections are discontinued. So, see Charlotte for an envelope and do your part to help make a positive change in the lives of women, men and children In need.

Deacons & Deaconess are asked to meet Elder DH Clarke after today's worship service for 10 minutes by the Pool.

The UK Chapter of the Ellen White Estate based at Newbold College will be at Croydon SDA Church today and tomorrow. Presentations will take place today by Pastor Rory Mendez at 11:00am and 4:00pm. Tomorrow's presentation begins at 10am including Q&A.

The SEC Sabbath School Team is looking for people to take part in the weekly sabbath school recordings. Recordings take place on Wednesdays at 11-1 or 12-2 at their offices in Watford. You will need to study a given lesson and focus on 2 given days for indepth study and questioning. If you are interested contact Mavis Bramble on 01923 232728.

## **DEPARTMENTAL HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **Personal Ministries**

*Love Your Neighbour Community Outreach.* Join us weekly on Sabbaths from 2:30-3:30pm [meeting at the front of the church] and monthly on Sundays starting on the 28<sup>th</sup> April from 10:00-12:00midday [meeting at the Ducie Street entrance] as we become the hands and feet of Jesus in our community. In our neighbouring areas as we strive to build relations, identify concerns, sharing what we do as a church and asking what they would like to see from us.

#### Health & Wellbeing Events

- *Walk the Parks* Sunday 14 April Meet at Burgess Park, Camberwell Road Entrance. Wear something white a t-shirt, top or jumper.
- *Cook Your Own Plant-Based Meal* commences on Monday 16 April at 6:30pm for those who have registered on Eventbrite.
- Keep Fit Weekly on Tuesdays at 7:00pm
- *Health Promotion and Education* 4<sup>th</sup> May at 5pm. Topic WATER followed by input from Health Coach on how to maintain consistency.

**Key Message:** 3 John 2 Beloved I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth

#### **Adventist Community Services Events**

- Brixton's Seniors Club-Tuesdays at 10:00 am
- Feeding the Homeless—Thursdays at 5:00 pm

Weekly Teacher's Meeting – Thursdays at 7:30 pm

#### Junior Youth Ministry - Brixton JAYS

The Pathfinder Department is looking for persons willing to cover the cost or contribute towards an individual Pathfinders' Camp Ticket and travel costs. *Please contact Leonard Boyce for more information on how you can help.* 

# **STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES**

#### Both Money and Active Service Needed

Speak to the children of Israel, that they bring Me an offering. From everyone who gives it willingly with his heart you shall take My offering. Exodus 25:2, NKJV.

I have heard men and women who have been engaged in the work in the publishing houses and sanitarium complain of having to work over hours. If they cannot stop work after eight hours' labor, they become dissatisfied. But these very ones, when they enter business for their own private benefit, will work on fully ten hours as they do in America and often extend their labor to twelve hours. They make no complaint, because it is in their own personal interest. It makes every difference whether the time is to be employed to their own special advantage or for the service of God or their neighbor....

Willing service in saving the means that is so limited is more satisfactory than hoarding means. With the right motive in view, such time would be reckoned as devoted to the service of God. This definite work for God in building, in planting, in reaping harvest, or any line of work, will cost considerable thought and labor. But it pays. God will multiply the resources; He will help in producing the means.

Many are already working in this line, and have always done so. The devotion of time to God in any line of work is a most important consideration. Some can use the pen to write a letter to some far-off friend. By consecrated personal labor we may in many ways do personal service for God.

Some think that if they give a portion of their money to the cause of God, this is all they are required to do, and the precious time given them of God, in which they could do hours of personal service for Him, passes by unimproved. It is the privilege and duty of all who have health and strength to render to God active service. The giving of donations in money cannot take the place of this. Those who have no money can substitute personal labor, and even money can be made in various ways in this work.

Everyone may be a laborer together with God. The hours which have been usually spent in recreation that has not rested or refreshed either body or soul may be spent in seeking to help some poor soul who is in need of help, in visiting the poor, the sick, and the suffering. Our time is God's, and as Christians, we must use it to the glory of God.—Manuscript Releases 6:79, 80.



#### Using Our Church Halls and Rooms on Sabbaths

This guidance supports the existing policy on use of church premises

Dear Church Family

We are blessed to have wonderful spaces within our church where we can come together as a community, share meals, and enjoy each other's company. Our upper and lower halls, along with adjoining rooms, are not just rooms but places where memories are made, friendships are strengthened, and love is shared.

We want to provide some guidance on how to make the most of these spaces on Sabbaths for social and family events while keeping in mind the sanctity of the day and the need for reverence.

- 1. *General Use for Fellowship*: Our upper and lower halls are open to all members for fellowship, lunch, and small family events. Whether it's catching up with friends or celebrating a loved one's birthday with a homemade cake, these spaces are here for you to enjoy.
- 2. *Booking and Coordination*: Please ensure you book space [for 25 people or less] on the upper youth hall through our church clerk and coordinate with the head deacon. This helps us manage the use of the spaces effectively and ensures that everyone has a chance to use them for their intended purposes.

*Please Note:* The Library will be used as a studio for recording purposes only.

- 3. *Timeframe*: The halls are available for use from after the worship service until 3:30 pm. This gives us ample time to enjoy fellowship and socialize without interfering with the rest of the Sabbath activities.
- 4. *Keep it Simple*: The use of decorations, balloons, etc. and/or setting up of space for events during sabbath services will no longer be permitted. Whilst we encourage social events and family gatherings, let's remember that Sabbath is a day of rest and worship.
- 5. *Respect and Consideration*: When using the halls, please be mindful of other members who may also want to use the space. Please treat the facilities with respect, let's clean up after ourselves, and leave the rooms as we found them so that everyone can enjoy them.
- 6. *Inclusivity.* Ensure that our events are inclusive and welcoming to all members of our church family. Consider inviting those who may be new to our congregation or may not have family nearby to join in the festivities.
- 7. *Gratitude*: Lastly, remember to give thanks for the opportunity to come together as a community and share in fellowship and love. Let's cherish these moments and continue to build a strong and supportive church family.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we strive to make our Sabbath gatherings meaningful and uplifting for everyone. If you have any questions or need assistance with booking the halls, please don't hesitate to reach out to the church clerk or the head deacon.

Brixton SDA Church Board