# SABBATH SCHOOL 9.45AM

Welcome – Pat Elias Hymn 617: *Let Thy Life O Lord Be My Life* Prayer

Mission News and Offering – Richard Poulton

In Moments Like These: Song Ah Choi & Min Young Bae
Bible Study Groups

Hymn 196: Breathe on Me Breath of God

Benediction – Pat Elias

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome, members, friends and visitors alike, to our first Sabbath services of the new year.

We are saddened to learn of the death on 23 December of Kathleen Whitmore. Her funeral will take place on Friday, 15th January at 12 noon at Holyrood RC Church, Exchange Road, Watford. The family request no flowers, please, but donations may be made at the service for the Peace Hospice.

We are also sorry to hear that our Pastor's brother-in-law passed away on 28th December. The funeral will take place this coming Monday in Guernsey. Please remember lan's sister, Moira, her daughters and the wider family at this time.

**The funeral of Muriel Poulton** will be held at 11am this Thursday, 7th January at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip.

Please remember the families and friends of the above in your prayers as they mourn the loss of their loved one, that they may they find peace and comfort.

**All Deacons and Ushers** Please come to the Armstrong Hall immediately after the service for a short meeting. Thank you.

**Deaconesses for 2010** Please do your best to attend our meeting tomorrow, Sunday, 3-4pm in the Armstrong Hall.



SUNSET TIMES

Today 4:02

Next Week 4:11

**Sabbath School Class Teachers** Could you please continue to care for your class rota as you have in the past. Roslyn will be calling a meeting with the whole team early in January to plan for the future. Many thanks.

Will all department leaders please encourage members of their team who have outstanding bills or expenses for 2009 to submit them for settlement as soon as possible and in any event before 16th January. Claim forms are available from the treasurer if required. All cash floats must also be balanced at the end of the year, ready for checking.

**Sabbath School Quarterlies and Magazines** Please collect your order today. Settlement of all accounts by next Sabbath would be much appreciated.

**Senior Club** meets again this Monday, 4th January from 2-4pm. Our guest speaker is Pam Farley from the Woodland Trust. All eligible members welcome, especially those who have recently retired.

The midweek Prayer Meeting resumes at 7.30pm this Wednesday, 6th January, with a 3-part series led by Pastor Leslie Ackie, family life director for the SEC. He will be taking a look at how lack of forgiveness can affect our prayer life and at how we can become forgiving people.

**The Soup Run resumes** this Friday, 9th January. If you would like to get involved, please see Pat Walton.

**Singer Rebecca Robinson** returns to Stanborough Park next Saturday, 9th January at 7.30pm, to delight us with a repertoire of classical and show favourites. This is a fund-raising event, with all profits going to STOP International. A light meal will be available before the concert and refreshments during the interval.

The baptismal class for 12-14 year-olds resumes on Wednesday, 13th January at 6pm in the Maple Room.

A new series of Tuesday Talks begins on 19th January at 8pm in the Cedar-Sycamore Room. Light supper served at 7pm.



## PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the homeless and for all the emergency services personnel.

# A New Year Message from the Pastor

Over Christmas we celebrated the birth of Christ and wondered over his miraculous birth so long ago. Now we can rejoice for the hope He brings to the world in 2010. The "Blessed Hope" we Adventists pray for is the soon return of Jesus, the Life-giver, to usher in everlasting peace and righteousness. Will 2010 be the year of His return? No one knows except, of course, our Heavenly Father!

This season is a time for loving, giving and sharing. My prayer is that the peace and love you experienced at Christmastime may continue all year through!

This is a time for reflection – looking back on 2009, which seems to have just flown by in a blink! While it is easy to reflect on missed goals, time wasted, unhappy memories and many of life's other disappointments, it is just as easy to choose to see the beauty, the blessings, the gifts and even the miracles we've experienced this past year.

As a church we have seen some healthy membership growth. The Adventist church in the whole of the UK has passed the 30,000 membership milestone. Praise God! But many more still need to hear of God's love and His special message for this time.

In 2010 we plan to reach out to those who used to worship with us. Please make this reclamation effort a matter of earnest personal prayer.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support of our beloved Stanborough Park Church. Particularly may I thank our department leaders, those who are taking a rest, and those who have accepted new roles for 2010. Without the sacrificial, volunteering spirit given by so many, our church would soon fade into insignificance.

So may I wish you all a healthy, Spirit-filled and prosperous New Year.

With every blessing

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#### **FAMILY SERVICE 11AM**

Call to Worship:

As we are gathered Jesus is here; One with each other, Jesus is here. Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood, Part of the body, the church of God. As we are gathered Jesus is here; One with each other, Jesus is here.

Invocation

Hymn 333: New Every Morning

Tithes and Offerings

Scripture Reading: Psalm 147 - Diana Ionita

Hymn 107: Rock of Ages

Children's Story - Vanesa Pizzuto

Pastoral Prayer - Barbara and Paul Clee

Development Offering Appeal – Rosemarie Plimmer

Solo: He Can Calm the Storm - Katherine Morua

Sermon: Happiness Found in God's Healing Grace
Pastor Ian Sleeman

Hymn 407: Jesus Lover of My Soul

Benediction

www.livestream.com/stanboroughparkchurch is our own internet TV channel. This is still in the development stage but Sabbath services can now be viewed live from anywhere in the world! Programmes can be accessed via the online library so even if you miss a service it can still be seen at a later date. The AV team plan to expand this facility to broadcast other programmes such as Sabbath School (including Bible study groups), the Parallel Service and Tuesday Talks. This is another valuable tool in assisting to spread God's word – please take a look at the site and tell your friends and family about it.

## DIARY

Wed

**Sun** Deaconesses' Meeting, 3pm

Mon Senior Club, 2-4pm

Badminton, 5.30pm

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Prayer Meeting, 7.30pm

**Thu** Funeral of Muriel Poulton, Ruislip, 11am

Fri Soup Run, 8.30pm

**Sab** Communion Service, 11am. Speaker Ian Sleeman

Good Samaritan Offering

Rebecca Robinson in Concert, 7.30pm

**13 Jan** Baptismal Class for 12-14 year-olds, 6pm

**15 Jan** Funeral of Kathleen Whitmore, 12 noon

**19 Jan** Tuesday Talks with Patrick Boyle, 8pm

# **CONTACTS**

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# Family Service 2nd January 2010



I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown."

And he replied,
"Go out into the darkness and put
your hand into the hand of God.
That shall be to you better than light
and safer than a known way!"

So I went forth, and finding the hand of God, trod gladly into the night.

Welcome to Stanborough Park Seventh-day Adventist Church

