



Who Knows?

"When times are good, be happy; but when times are bad, consider this: God has made the one as well as the other." Ecclesiastes 7:14

According to Chinese legend, when Sai Weng lost one of his prized horses, his neighbor expressed sorrow for his loss. But Sai Weng was unconcerned. He said, "Who knows if it may be a good thing for me?" Surprisingly, the lost horse returned home with another horse. As the neighbor congratulated him, Sai Weng said, "Who knows if it may be a bad thing for me?" As it turned out, his son broke his leg when he rode on the new horse. This seemed like a misfortune, until the army arrived at the village to recruit all able-bodied men to fight in the war. Because of the son's injury, he wasn't recruited, which ultimately could have spared him from death.

This is the story behind the Chinese proverb which teaches that a difficulty can be a blessing in disguise and vice versa. This ancient wisdom has a close parallel in Ecclesiastes 6:12, where the author observes: "Who knows what is good for a person in life?" Indeed, none of us know what the future holds. An adversity might have positive benefits, and prosperity might have ill effects.

Each day offers new opportunities, joys, struggles, and suffering. As God's beloved children, we can rest in His sovereignty and trust Him through the good and bad times alike. God has "made the one as well as the other" (7:14). He's with us in all the events in our lives and promises His loving care.

By: Poh Fang Chia - Taken from odb.org



I WILL GO
Audrey Balderstone - Saturday 6th March 2021

Watch the [Traditional Service](#) online with Audrey Balderstone



Watch the [Parallel Service](#) online with Pastor Geert Tap

Meeting ID: 840 134 7522, Passcode: 2007691 Click [HERE](#)

Announcements / News

- **Online Prayer Meeting** on Wednesday at 7pm. Join us on Zoom. ID: 86332812854, Password: 063944

- **Women's International Day of Prayer** begins with a floral presentation of "I Will Go" by Audrey Balderstone The programme continues in the afternoon featuring "Overcoming Obstacles on a Life Journey" from 3-5pm. Zoom ID: 2509665133. PW:243467

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LILIES FOR EASTER We were unable to fill the church with lilies last Easter, but, subject to Board approval, we hope the church will be open for Sabbath Worship on April 3rd. We have much to be grateful for, so if you would like to say 'thank you' to God for His blessings, or send greetings to friends or loved ones, or to remember some who have sadly passed away, send your short message of dedication to abalderstone@btconnect.com. Lilies cost £5 each and all profits will go to ADRA UK. Details of how to pay and how to collect your lily/lilies and the

printed dedication/s will be sent to you. If you prefer to contact Audrey by phone please ask the Pastor for her phone number. Thank you.

For information about **Earliteen Sabbath School**, please email:

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For information about **Junior Sabbath School**, please email:

spcjuniors@gmail.com

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hkbrown49@gmail.com

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- **ADRA** As we will not be able to collect door to door for ADRA again this year, Audrey Balderstone has come up with a fund raising idea. She plans to give a donation to ADRA for the birthday of each of her friends and relatives during the year. She is also asking for donations to ADRA instead of birthday presents to her. If you would like to swell the fund for ADRA you could donate in honour of a friend or family member - or as a 'thank you' present for God's blessings. **To donate please go to Audrey's Just Giving' page:**

<https://justgiving.com/fundraising/Audrey-Balderstone1>

Cradle Roll Programme 3rd edition of FEBRUARY Sabbath at 9:45am on

[Youtube](#) and [Facebook](#).

Urgent request for contact details: If anyone knows the contact details for Nathaly Kandoo please contact Pat Swan, Church Clerk, urgently. Thank you.

Meals and Grocery Bags. If you need help with cooked meals or grocery bags, please contact One Vision's new telephone number: 01923 372699 or email

info@ovwatford.org

- **The family prayer basket is now with Caren Pingol and Family.** Their prayer requests are: for continued good health for our family, for my elderly parents in the Philippines- that they continue to stay in good health and continue to be protected from the disastrous effects of the continued earthquakes in the region, for our quest

to purchase a house here in Watford, to guide my husband George in his plans of applying for further training in his career, for spiritual growth, for the world to heal from the ravages of this pandemic, for church services to resume soon where people can again gather in church and enjoy communion with God and other churchgoers.

- **DBS checks** Please contact Uche Ademuyiwa by email dbs@stanboroughpark.org to renew your DBS certificate if it is 3 years or over, or to get a new one. The DBS checks will be done online. All those who have recently received their DBS certificate need to notify the church by email to the same address mentioned above. An arrangement will be put in place to verify the certification
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- **Messenger** [February 26th Edition](#)
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- **SOS mix for sale** – contact Pat Walton if you would like to purchase some. All proceeds to the Church Development Fund.
Contact Pat on 07788311097 or 01923 672500.
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- **Lockdown News 11** [READ HERE](#)
 - Prayer Corner • Gratitude Corner • Elders' Retreat: submitted by Audrey Balderstone • Church Board resolution with regard to One Vision • Youth News • News from One Vision, Message from Pastor Terry and Audrey's Latest ADRA appeal • Catch-Up and The Last Word

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: *The church board are recommending the following names for office in 2021*

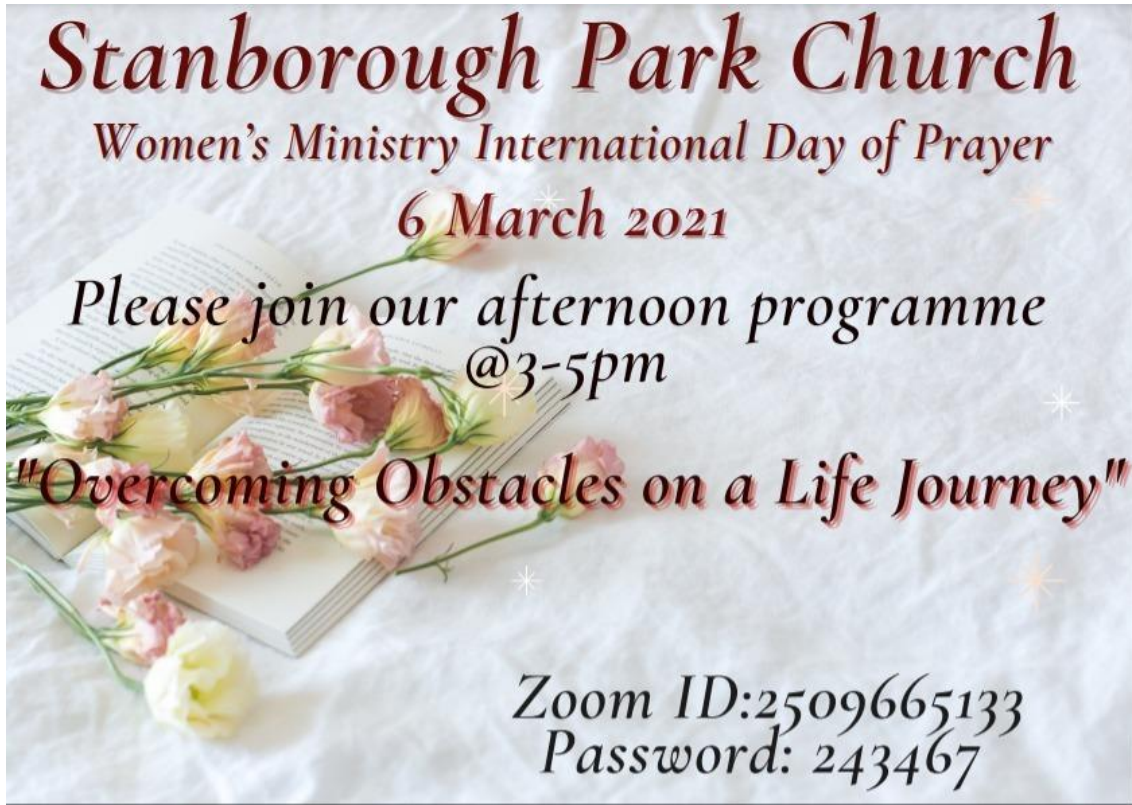
Church Clerk (membership and transfers) - Milimo Mumbo (second reading)

Women's Ministries - Wumi Idowu (subject to membership transfer)

Adventurers Leader - Meghan Joseph (subject to membership transfer) – First Reading

If you have any concerns about the names please contact a member of the pastoral team in the first instance.

Our next Communion service is on April 10.

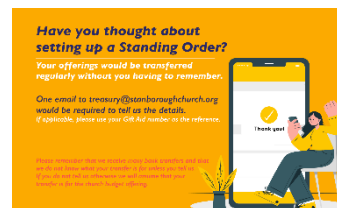


One Vision Update

As of 24 November 2020 One Vision was awarded Charity status by the Charity Commission. Therefore, it is now a charity in its own right. We want to thank God for this development as this will allow One Vision to grow larger and more easily access external funding. The decision to become a separate charity was the initiative of One Vision themselves for which the Pastors, Elders and leaders of the church are fully supportive.

The leadership feels it is important to establish a memorandum of understanding between the church and One Vision as follows:

1. All Elders agree that One Vision is a ministry which has done outstanding work in the community. Now that One Vision is a stand-alone Charity, we encourage our church members to continue to support its work, witnessing and to pray for its ministry.
2. It was recommended to the Church Board that the funds held by the Church Treasury Department be transferred to the One Vision Charity. This action has been taken.
3. The Board requested that One Vision supplies a copy of its insurance document to the Church Treasurer for Church files. This has been received.
4. One Vision has indicated that they have outgrown the Church premises, therefore, the Church requires information on a date for movement into their new quarters in order to facilitate a smooth transition. Once a moving date is known Church Departments can then make plans for future activities post-COVID.
5. As One Vision has registered the Charity using the Church's address, the Board is formally asked to give and record its approval until they move to new premises. This action was taken.
6. Enoch Kanagaraj will remain a Board Member in his capacity as Community Outreach Leader
7. The Ministerial Team and Elders give their full support to One Vision and wish all connected with the Charity God's blessing.





What do you have?



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