

## REGULAR CORPS EVENTS

- Sundays **Meetings at 9.50. 10.30 a.m.. 4-30 p.m.**  
**JAM Club— Jesus and Me 11.10 a.m.** For young people
- Mondays **Silver Threads Club** Lunch 12 noon. Meeting 1.45p.m  
 Fortnightly
- Tuesdays **Bible Study** Weekly, 7.30 at the hall with Major Tony  
**Open Door and light lunches** 10 a.m.—1 p.m.  
**Parents and Tots** 10 a.m.—12 noon. Not school hols.  
**Home League** 1.30 p.m.
- Wednesdays **Cameo Club**—second Wednesday each month 7.30 p.m.
- Thursdays **Open Door** 10 a.m.—12 noon  
**Open Songster practice** 1st Thursday each month
- Fridays **Coffee Morning and Luncheon Club**  
 9.30 a.m. and 12.15.
- Saturdays **Walk** first Saturday every month. Details from  
 Barrie, Andy or Gladys. All welcome

### Coming up.....

- Thursday May 5th Open Songster rehearsal. Everyone welcome.
- Sunday May 8th Exchange of pulpits. 10.30 meeting  
 Major Tony at Wesley Rev. John Richey with us.
- Wed. 11th May Divisional Home and Family Rally. See page 11
- Sunday May 15th Home and Family Sunday with Major Gill Billard DHQ.
- Monday May 16th Home and Family Rally 1.45 p.m. See page 11
- Sunday May 22nd Visit of Slough band and songsters See page 11.
- Friday 10th June The Big Prayer Walk—The Next Step. Details to come
- Sunday June 12th Pentecost
- Sunday June 19th Celebration of Talents 4.30 p.m.
- Sunday June 26th Y.P. Anniversary with Major Kathryn Woodhouse.
- Sunday July 10th Songs of Praise on the Rye - Churches Together  
 Afternoon meeting will be the last with Majors  
 Tony and Sandra. Probably starting at 5 p.m.
- Thurs. July 28th Welcome to Majors Paul and Jenine Main -  
 our new Divisional Commanders, at Staines.



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*Early One Morning*



*Just as the sun was rising*

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Dear Friends

Following on from our Easter celebrations and the continuing wonder of God in Christ — living, dying and rising again to new life for our salvation — I simply wanted us to consider how God expresses his love to mankind. I want us to do this with two pieces of poetry The first being a song by Geoff Bullock, which we find the Songs of Fellowship songbook, no. 1383... The second comes from the pen of retired Commissioner Paul Du Plessis .



“JESUS, GOD’S RIGHTEOUSNESS REVEALED,  
The son of Man, the Son of God, His kingdom comes,  
Jesus, redemption’s sacrifice,  
Now glorified, now justified, His kingdom comes.

*And His kingdom will know no end,  
And it’s glory shall know no bounds,  
For the majesty and power  
Of this Kingdom’s King has come.  
And this kingdom’s reign,  
And this kingdom’s rule,  
And this kingdom’s power and authority,  
Jesus, God’s righteousness revealed.*

Jesus, the expression of God’s love,  
The grace of God, the Word of God, revealed to us;  
Jesus, God’s holiness displayed,  
Now glorified, now justified, His kingdom comes.”

“Love, to be love should be expressed,  
If only by a gentle touch  
Or merest shaping of a smile,  
To prove the tender heart we claim,  
Expressionless, our love will die.

Faith, to be faith should be expressed  
In actions of the daily toil  
Of serving, yet remaining meek  
In lowly suffering with that faith,  
Expressionless, our faith will die.

Forgiveness, too, should be expressed  
In reconciling action which  
Will bind once separated lives  
In unity and fellowship.  
Expressionless, forgiveness dies.

Hope, to be hope should be expressed  
In looks of cheerful optimism  
That even in despair sustain  
The wearied soul near overcome.  
Expressionless, our hope will die.

Thoughts will be thoughts and words are words.  
Did these things alone suffice to tell  
A doubting world that God was there?  
Why then this Galilean Man  
Expressing now that God is God?”

I hope you find those words as encouraging, and challenging, as I have done.

God bless you,

Major Tony

## The Penultimate Episode of Claude's Series about The Booth Family.

The last three children born to William and Catherine Booth were daughters—Marion, Eva and Lucy., Eva, who was the seventh of the eight children born to the founders of the Salvation Army, became known as Evangeline, and went on to become the Army's fourth general. For that reason I take the liberty of writing about Marion (the sixth child) and Lucy (the youngest child) before finishing this series of articles about the Booth family, next month, with the truly amazing story of Eva's triumphant life.

### Marion Booth

*Born: Leeds, Yorkshire, May 4th 1864. Died: London, January 5th, 1937.*

William and Catherine Booth raised all eight of their children to maturity, which was very unusual in Victorian times. However, Marian, who was their sixth child, contracted an illness with convulsions as a very young baby and also suffered smallpox at an early age was thereafter too delicate to do the regular work of the Salvation Army. She was given the permanent rank of Staff Captain, remained at home and was pictured on family occasions, such as her father's funeral. Marion was promoted to glory in 1937 at the age of 72.



### Lucy Milward Booth



Lucy Milward Booth was the youngest of the eight children born to Catherine and William Booth. Lucy's first appointment as a 16 year old officer was to India where she joined her sister, Emma. Emma married Frederick Tucker in 1888. The Booth-Tuckers soon returned to London because of Emma's failing health, and Lucy followed soon afterwards. After a period in which she was in charge of the training home in London, Lucy met and married Colonel Emanuel Hellberg, a Swedish officer. As was the custom in the Booth family, the couple added 'Booth' to their married name and became Booth-Hellberg.

They had five children. Their fourth child, Daniel, died in infancy in 1896. Lucy returned to India with her new husband and together they commanded the Indian Territory, taking the names Ruhani and Raj-Singh respectively. In 1896 they were appointed to take command of France and Switzerland. following the death of her husband in 1909, Lucy became Territorial Commander for Denmark, 1910—1920 and then for Norway, 1920—1928. Following a short period as an international travelling commissioner she was Territorial Commander for South America East, 1929—33, with oversight of South America West and Brazil. Returning to London in 1933, Commissioner Lucy Booth-Hellberg retired in 1934.



Lucy, although the youngest of the brilliantly gifted Booth siblings, had the dubious distinction of being the first one to remain an officer in the Army long enough to retire from its ranks.

**Bramwell**, the first son of William and Catherine Booth, who was chosen to succeed his father as general, was forced from office against his will just weeks before his death. **Ballington**, the second son, defected whilst in America after refusing to accept the authority of his elder brother, Bramwell, and formed a break-away organisation called Volunteers of America. **Catherine** and her eccentric husband, Arthur, were dismissed because of his doctrinal differences with the Army. **Emma** was only 43 when she was tragically killed in a rail accident in America. **Herbert**, who suffered constant bouts of depression during his time as an officer, resigned in despair when his relationship with Bramwell and his father became unbearable. **Eva**, because she became General in 1934, didn't retire until 1939.



What are they all looking at?..... Well, bargains of course. They were amongst the people who came into the spring sale and spent round about £800. Both halls were buzzing with people, buying many different things and enjoying the refreshments provided. Once more, thanks to all those who worked so hard to make this another successful event.. It doesn't just happen and once more the total raised was an increase on last year!

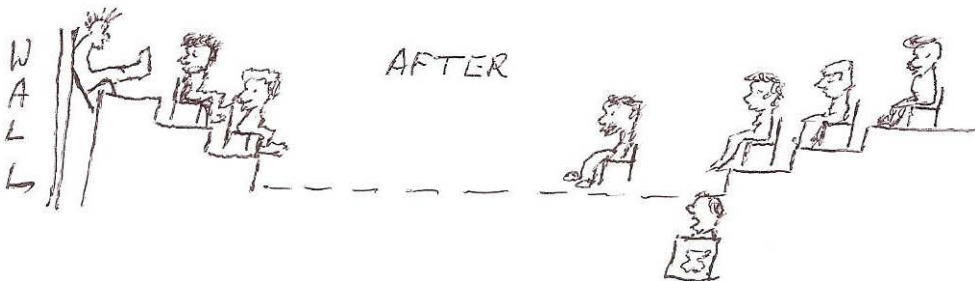
# Andy's Column

Maybe I have omitted to ask a very relevant question when interviewing candidates for 'Ten Things you Might Not Know About..' Why have I never sought to find out their most embarrassing moment. After all you learn a lot about the character of a person by the way they act in adversity. Most of us have moments in our lives which we would prefer to forget, although my moment happened 43 years 4 months and eleven days ago, it is indelibly printed on my memory.

Carol and I were living in Windsor Ontario at the time and were settling into the local Corps very nicely. I had joined the band on bass trombone. The previous incumbent had also been the Corps pianist, which required the band to sit in a rather unusual formation so that he might dash back and forth unimpeded. The platform was set in three semi-circular tiers, with the bass trombone at the front left. (See diagram.)



For weeks we had been preparing for the visit of the Territorial Commander, Colonel Pindred. The great day arrived and we were all extremely pleased with the way things had gone. The hall was packed and the Colonel was just getting to the pulsating climax of his inspired sermon. I still don't know quite how it happened, but I fell off the back of the platform, crash, bang, wallop. I must have just edged my chair back half an inch and disappeared over the back, or would have done if the wall had not been there. As it was I was wedged half way down with my feet stuck up in the air. (See second diagram).



I thought that I had fainted, suddenly everything went out of focus. I could see that most of the bandsmen were laughing. I looked down at the congregation and every eye was focused on me in a sort of collective horror. All except Carol, who had her head buried in her lap. Colonel Pindred had turned around his mouth wide open in a state of disbelief and shock.

Lorne Dunkely, who sat next to me, pulled me up from the abyss and settled me back into my chair. Poor Colonel Pindred wiped his brow and resumed his sermon. I am afraid that I never heard a word of it. I wanted to bellow with raucous laughter, stifling hysteria and the occasional snort. When the time for prayer was announced, Lorne and I sat giggling like naughty schoolboys.

Changes were made as a result of this little drama. A carpenter was employed to put a rim along the edge of the platform. The band formation was changed, the bass trombone moved out of vision to the back...they should be heard but not seen. Carol recovered her composure and started mixing with people again after about three weeks. Colonel Pindred retired sooner than expected, and never did return to Windsor.

It has taken me years to get over this. Certainly every time I meet a Canadian I am greeted with "Have you fallen off any platforms recently?" But life must go on. There is a song in the songbook, (I am not quite sure of the number), which gives sound advice and says something like "Pick yourself up, dust yourself down and start all over again"!

## May Sudoku - "My Saviour"

Place a letter from the words 'My Saviour' into each empty cell so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains all letters. No letter should appear more than once in any row, column or 3 x 3 box.

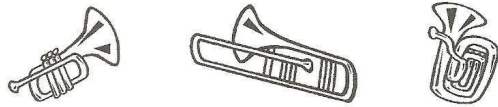
April's Answer

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Sunday May 22nd 4.30 p.m.

An afternoon of  
Praise and Worship



With

Slough and High Wycombe  
combined bands and songsters



Two Rallies

Divisional Home and Family Rally  
The King's Centre, Desborough Road  
Wednesday 11th May

11.00a.m.-12.30p.m. and 2.00-3.30 p.m.

Speaker Mrs. Maureen Ross.

Corps Home and Family Rally

In our Hall

Monday 16th May 1.45 p.m.

Speaker Major Gill Billard

This follows on from

Home and Family Sunday 15th May.

With meetings at 10.30 and 4.30 p.m.

A Big Day for Dequain and Candida



The dedication of Dequain Thomas Dutiro was a delightful occasion. Dequain and his mum Candida haven't been with us for too long, but they are already at home and happy in the Corps. How lovely to see so many of the extended family for this event.

Charlie and Bill were absent for our last Celebration of Talents, but Clarissa and Brenda came instead. It was Mothers' Day and they had some thoughts stemming from Ephesians 5. Homespun philosophy, but if you want to know what they said, you must ask Claude, Barrie, or even Andy. I couldn't possibly comment!



Notice Board

You will have noticed the very tidy new notice boards in the lobby, but please make sure you take note of what's on them. There is just not room in Standard Bearer to include everything and at the moment there are posters about events happening elsewhere that you might find really interesting, particularly if listening to Staff Bands is your thing.

Corps Directory.

Please add Chris Payne to your Directory.

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Quote of the month..... *Love the Lord God with all your passion, prayer, intelligence and energy. Deuteronomy 6:5 via Mark 12:29 Message translation.*

The Easter period began with Palm Sunday when the songsters made a much appreciated visit to Buckingham for the morning meeting. However, back at our own Corps in the afternoon we were reminded of the greatest commandment of all, which entails us to get our priorities right and to remember who it is who should be first in our lives.



On Monday a smaller than normal Bible study group, which has been looking at Christian doctrine as outlined in the Apostles' Creed, thought about the death and resurrection of Christ. It has been a fascinating study and how concisely the creed speaks of the great truths of Christian faith. Tuesday brought at least 40 people into the hall for the informal time of worship in the morning. A group of bandsmen provided

music as we sang the familiar words of many Easter hymns. Scripture readings brought the story alive and Barrie and, for the first time, Karys also, sang solos which

brought real blessing. Over a number of years now, this event has become for some unmissable. The usual soup and hot cross buns also made their appearance. A small thing, but again for those who come regularly to the Open Door on a Tuesday, it's something that brightens their week, and the informal

meeting is a very special added element at Easter and at Christmas.

Thursday evening saw sixteen people gathered, literally around the cross placed on the floor as a very obvious

focus for thought, and a time of reflection. We looked at a number of Scripture readings and tried to imagine our own discomfort had we been present then, trying to place ourselves into the situation as one



## The Triumph of Easter

of the more 'fringe' characters. I found it an interesting exercise.

Then came Friday, with the blackest of stories. Sandra used John's words to bring home the full force of the Gospel message. More than one person was brought to the point of tears in the consideration of the great love of God for His wayward people.



Following the indoor meeting a great crowd of people from all the town centre churches walked through the town behind the large wooden cross. Three stops were made and Scripture was read and the band played as Easter hymns were sung. The town was busy and many people were given leaflets or bookmarks explaining the Easter message. What a wonderful witness.

The afternoon brought a different kind of walk. The usual walking group along with some others, making 38 all together, began at Christmas Common, and trailed through two miles of the most beautiful countryside. (To me it felt more like ten miles, but I put that down to the heat of the sun and my general unfitness!) Part way round we stopped for a reading and sang The Lord's My Shepherd, under the greenest of canopies.

And then, joy of joys, Easter Sunday morning. A five piece band assembled to lead the singing as we again climbed halfway up the hill beside Hughenden Church to greet the day of resurrection. 'Christ the Lord is risen today, Hallelujah'. The smell of bacon greeted us back at the hall and we shared a lovely breakfast together. Thank you Hazel and Stewart.

Later, in the morning meeting Major Tony reminded us that "Christianity won't go away. Jesus won't go away, He keeps appearing!" And for the five or six people who knelt at the mercy seat to pray, and surely for many others in the meeting, He was overwhelmingly present. Easter is over for this year, but Christ is for ever alive! Oh yes, and there were Easter eggs.

