



**NTCG**  
Northampton

College Street, Northampton, NN1 2QP

**Senior Pastor: Bishop Donovan Allen**

**21 June 2020**

## ***Living What We Believe***



### **Reclaiming Pentecost (Part 3)**

**Scripture: Isaiah 11**

**Speaker: Bishop Donovan Allen**

**Saturday morning "Prayer Watch" - 7.00am to 8.00am**

**Church & Pastor's** Marie Aransevia, Martin Cole, Ronald Hundah, Wilbur Jeffers  
**Council Members:** & Vivienne Welsh, Paulette Wright (CPC Secretary/Treasurer)

**Local Ministers:** Rev Phyllis Brown, Rev Dennis Hines, Bishop Rudolph Parkinson,  
Rev Virginia Thomas, Rev Phyllis Thompson

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## **NORTHAMPTON**

**Message to all Fathers**

**From:  
Bishop Donovan Allen**

**Senior Pastor & Father**



- Let me take this opportunity of greeting all the Fathers who are loving and taking care of their children.
- I also recognise that some fathers are not able to see their children on this Fathers day, but I pray that someday a change will take place so that Fathers and children can be reconciled.
- I recognise also that some children are without their fathers and this may be for many reasons but I just want you to know that your Heavenly Father is working out things for you.
- And finally, my prayer is that all Fathers will be given the chance to be a Father again. However a great way to start is for all Father's to become a Spirit Baptised Person taking care just like our Heavenly Father takes care.

Bishop Donovan Allen

# Father's Love Letter

The cry of a Father's heart from Genesis to Revelation.

The words you are about to experience are true. They will change your life, if you let them. For they come from the very heart of God. He loves you, and he is the Father you have been looking for all your life.

This is his love letter to you.

## My Child...

You may not know me, but I know everything about you (Psalm 139:1)

I know when you sit down and when you rise up (Psalm 139:2)

I am familiar with all your ways (Psalm 139:3)

Even the very hairs on your head are numbered (Matthew 10:29-31)

For you were made in my image (Genesis 1:27)

In me you live and move and have your being (Acts 17:28)

For you are my offspring (Acts 17:28)

I knew you even before you were conceived (Jeremiah 1:4-5)

I chose you when I planned creation (Ephesians 1:11-12)

You were not a mistake, for all your days are  
written in my book (Psalm 139:15-16)

I determined the exact time of your birth

and where you would live (Acts 17:26)

You are fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14)

I knit you together in your mother's womb (Psalm 139:13)

And brought you forth on the day you were born (Psalm 71:6)

I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me (John 8:41-44)

I am not distant and angry,

but am the complete expression of love (1 John 4:16)

And it is my desire to lavish my love on you (1 John 3:1)

Simply because you are my child and I am your Father (1 John 3:1)

I offer you more than your earthly father ever could (Matthew 7:11)

For I am the perfect father (Matthew 5:48)

Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand (James 1:17)

For I am your provider and I meet all your needs (Matthew 6:31-33)

My plan for your future has always been filled with hope (Jeremiah 29:11)

Because I love you with an everlasting love (Jeremiah 31:3)

My thoughts toward you are countless as the sand  
on the seashore (Psalms 139:17-18)

And I rejoice over you with singing (Zephaniah 3:17)

I will never stop doing good to you (Jeremiah 32:40)

For you are my treasured possession (Exodus 19:5)

I desire to establish you with all my heart and all my soul (Jeremiah 32:41)

And I want to show you great and marvellous things (Jeremiah 33:3)

If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me (Deuteronomy 4:29)

Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart (Psalm 37:4)

For it is I who gave you those desires (Philippians 2:13)

I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine (Ephesians 3:20)

For I am your greatest encourager (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17)

I am also the Father who comforts you in all your trouble (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)

When you are broken-hearted, I am close to you (Psalm 34:18)

As a shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you

close to my heart (Isaiah 40:11)

One day I will wipe away every tear from your eyes (Revelation 21:3-4)

And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered

on this earth (Revelation 21:3-4)

I am your Father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus (John 17:23)

For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed (John 17:26)

He is the exact representation of my being (Hebrews 1:3)

He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you (Romans 8:31)

And to tell you that I am not counting your sins (2 Corinthians 5:18-19)

Jesus died so that you and I could be reconciled (2 Corinthians 5:18-19)

His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you (1 John 4:10)

I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love (Romans 8:31-32)

If you receive the gift of my son Jesus, you receive me (1 John 2:23)

And nothing will ever separate you from my love again (Romans 8:38-39)

Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen (Luke 15:7)

I have always been Father, and will always be Father (Ephesians 3:14-15)

My question is, Will you be my child? (John 1:12-13)

I am waiting for you (Luke 15:11-32)

**Love, Your Dad.  
Almighty God**

# Day of virtual activities to celebrate the Windrush generation in Northampton from home

Documentaries, songs, poems and speeches from residents will be shared on Facebook

By Jack Duggan

Friday, 19th June 2020, 12:08 pm

Updated Friday, 19th June 2020, 12:10 pm



The Windrush generation will be celebrated with a day of virtual activities hosted by Northampton's diverse communities forum on Monday (June 22).

Documentaries, songs, poems and speeches from residents will be shared throughout the day on the Northampton Windrush Day 2020 Facebook event.

The aim is to celebrate, commemorate and educate communities on the leading role the Caribbean migrants from the 1940s and their descendants have played in making Britain stronger, culturally richer and more inclusive.



Northampton borough councillor and Northampton diverse communities forum chairman, James Hill

Forum chairman and Northampton borough councillor, James Hill, said: "My grandparents were part of the Windrush generation and as such, this event holds a lot of personal significance for me.

"I am delighted that despite the current restrictions we are still able to celebrate and recognise the huge contributions the Windrush generation have made to British society."

The celebration commemorates the arrival of the Empire Windrush at the Port of Tilbury in east London on June 21, 1948, and its passengers disembarked a day later.

Since then, the Windrush has come to symbolise the first movement of mass migration to the United Kingdom in the post-war era.



Northampton diverse communities forum member Morcea Walker, MBE

The ship carried several hundred Caribbean migrants, many of them veterans of the Second World War.

Forum member Morcea Walker MBE added: “I am so pleased that in spite of Covid-19, efforts are still being made to recognise the contribution of almost half a million people who moved from the Caribbean to Britain between 1948 and 1970.

“I am a proud daughter of the Windrush, and I celebrate the contributions made by those pioneers who helped Britain in its growth and development not only at the time of Windrush but throughout history to present day.

“This celebration also highlights an important part of black British history to the wider community who may not know about these heroes and places the spotlight on the racist and despicable treatment experienced by the Windrush generation under the Hostile Environment Policy which ultimately destroyed many black people’s lives.”

An information-packed schedule will start with the Windrush song, London is the Place for Me by Lord Kitchener, at 10.27am – in reference to 1,027 passengers aboard the Windrush when it docked at Tilbury.

# Revised Weekly Activities

We have revised our weekly activities to provide support our church family on the following days and times:

Sunday	11.00 am to 12 noon	<b>Online Sermon</b> <i>(Pre-recorded and circulated to members by 10.45am)</i>
	12 noon to 1.00 pm	<b>Family Devotion Hour</b> <i>(A time to connect with each other)</i>
Monday	7.30 pm to 8.30 pm	<b>Prayer Line</b>
Tuesday	6.00 am to 7.00 am	<b>Prayer Line</b>
Wednesday	7.00 pm to 8.00 pm	<b>Theological Reflection</b> via Zoom
Thursday	6.00 am to 7.00 am	<b>Prayer Line</b>
	7.00 pm to 8.00 pm	<b>Women's Hour</b> with Sis Barbara Harrison
	7.00 pm to 8.00 pm	<b>Men's Hour</b> with Bro Wilbur Jeffers
Friday	7.00 pm to 8.00 pm	<b>Youth Connection</b> with Sis Linnette Sow
Saturday	7.00 am to 8.00 am	<b>Prayer Line</b>

**To access the Prayer Line, please follow the instruction below:**

Dial Tele number: 0333 011 2308  
 Then enter Room Password: 488 52205#  
 Finally enter the Pin number: 1053#

# Discipleship Growth Plan

## September 2019 – July 2020

### *Living what we believe - Knowing Being Doing*



**Tanya and Tiffany Allen**

The Discipleship Growth Programme currently running at our Church is a spiritual formation and growth programme. At the

outset, we thought it was a programme to train our Church members to become effective and efficient team leaders of the various ministries and programmes such as the prayer team, young coverts. We are finding it helpful for our growth as Christians. It challenges us to think about how and why we need to study the Bible in order to grow. It also encourages us to enrich our relationship with God, pray, practice the Word and participate in fellowship with other Christians.

We learn that it is one thing to be a newly born Christian but another to be a mature disciple. The programme is also helping our congregation to come together in our shared belief in Christ and learn together through the sermons, Sunday school, teaching and group work etc. to deepen our understanding of discipleship. As Christians, it's important for us to ask questions and maintain a routine in studying the bible, to improve our confidence and also to increase our appetite for the Word. Sometimes it can be difficult to keep up with the study but we know that it will always be helpful in the long run.

Some of the learning resources are very interesting, informative and helpful as they explain and challenge us about how we need to check the references for our mindset ,

complete our goals and understand what God wants for us. However, maintaining this level of thinking can be difficult as it is easy to become discouraged if we think we are not keeping up with the challenge.

It would be good if we could have more sessions for our specific age group. We think we would benefit more from this programme if there were more open discussions specifically for young people to talk about the issues as they relate to our life experience and help us to encourage each other to go and do some further thinking and research on the subject in question and then share what we have learnt.

It is good to have guidance from the older generation, however more often than not young people are more reluctant to speak after the older generation have spoken, as we feel our ideas may clash with theirs and in sharing our ideas the older generation might think we are being disrespectful. Some of us might then think we said something wrong as oppose to something different because in essence we lack the confidence to agree to disagree and encourage each other to go and do some further thinking and research on the subject in question and the share what we have learnt.

For further information about the Discipleship Growth Programme, please speak to a Ministry/Department lead, a member of the Church and Pastors' Council, Bishop Allen or send an email to the Facilitating team via [growth@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:growth@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk)

# CHILDRENS CHURCH ZOOM

Ages 5-12 join in with the Children's Church coordinators directly after this service from 12.30 pm

Please contact:

Sis Laura Hundah & Sis Alicia Hyder

For login details.



Theological  
Reflection  
Wednesday  
evenings @  
7pm

NTCG NORTHAMPTON CHURCH  
"iServices "



Via Zoom each Wednesday at 7pm



## **Lifebuilders Hour**

**Every Thursday**

with Bro Wilbur Jeffers

**6.00pm to 7.00 pm via Zoom**

For log in details please contact

[secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk)

or 07510 255128 after 4pm



*NTCG Northampton*



**Women's Hour**

**Every Thursday**

with sis Barbara Harrison

**7.00pm to 8.00 pm via Zoom**

For log in details contact

[secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk)

or 07510 255128 after 4pm

# Ways of Giving

We are ever so grateful for the generosity of those who have been giving online. However we still recognise that some need our bank details so that they can pay online. They are the following:

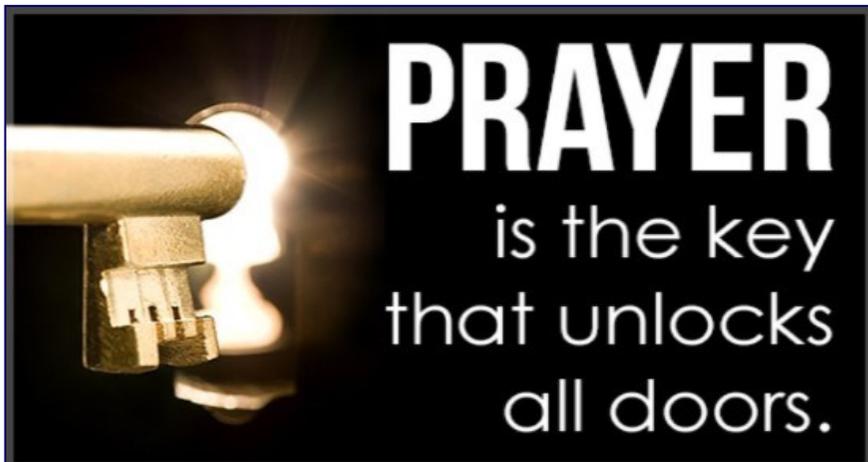
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Details to **donate online** can be found on our webpage

<https://ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/how-to-donate/>

Or, contact our Church Treasurer **Paulette Wright** on **07510 255128** to take your tithes and offerings using the Card Payment System.

If you need any help please contact  
[secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk)



Please continue to  
**PRAY for**  
those who are  
experiencing illnesses  
or recovering.

**Prayer Line**  
**Dial: 0333 011 2308**  
**p/w: 488 52205#**  
**Pin: 1053#**

# *My Sincere Pledge To You*

I Pledge to serve You the best way I can.

I may not be able to serve you financially, but I Pledge to serve You Spiritually.

I Pledge that I will Pray for you.

I Pledge that I will Affirm You

I Pledge that I will Encourage You.

I Pledge that I will Genuinely show my Loving Concern about You, by asking about your Health and Family.

I Pledge that I will Genuinely, put my hand on your shoulders, should You allow me to do so, and will reassure You that I care for You.

I Pledge that I will Pray to find ways of slowing down, so that I can give You some of my Time.

The way Jesus found Time to relate to His Disciples and humbled Himself as a servant and served; let us Pledge to serve each other the same.

God give Us the Grace to do so.

God Bless You.



Birthday Greetings to all who are celebrating a birthday in JUNE and would like us to appreciate your special day

**Desirée Edwards**

**If it's your birthday this month,  
please let the Comms Team know**

*Please contact a member of the Comms Team or email [news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk) and we will include your news in the weekly notice sheet - all items to be submitted **by 5pm on Wednesday***

## *NTCG College Street Mission Statement*

The Mission of NTCG College Street is to Train and Develop all members to Communicate the Full Gospel of Jesus Christ (**Matthew 28:19, 20**) in the Spirit and Power of Pentecost (**Acts 2:1-4, 6, 13-18**)

Together we will fulfil the Great Commission (**Matthew 28:19-20**) by helping people to become fully functioning followers of Christ.

We aim to help every believer to discover the gifts and talents God gave them (**Ephesians 4:11-16**).

### **PASTOR'S SURGERY**

If you have any concerns, queries or would just like to speak with Pastor, **please contact [secrtary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:secrtary@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk) for an appointment**  
Surgery runs from 10.00am - 3.00pm & 6.00pm - 8.00pm on **THURS**

**Please make full use of the Notice sheet by sending your Testimonies, words of encouragement and articles**

### **WEEKLY NOTICES:**

Please submit any items by **5pm on Wednesday** for inclusion in the Notice Sheet

Email all items to **[news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk](mailto:news@ntcgnorthampton.org.uk)**

If it is a paper item such as a leaflet then please hand it to one of the Team (Sandra Heath, Viv Welsh & Paulette Wright) by the deadline.

Items received after the deadline will be included in the following issue at the discretion of the Team

**(This means that any items given on a Sunday morning for display will not be used as it will not be consistent with the published Notices.)**

**Are you making a donation, paying Tithes or Offering by Debit Card? Please speak to a Steward at any time before the start of Service. Thank You.**

Notice Sheet also available at [www.ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/about-us/news](http://www.ntcgnorthampton.org.uk/about-us/news)