

# DEFENDERS OF JUSTICE JUSTICE

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The cover artwork portrays a biblical idea of 'justice': a powerful river that floods the land (Amos 5:24). This is a glowing river, indicating that there is something different about it, something that can come only from God. We are God's hands on earth, demonstrating love and justice through our actions.

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SUT ALLA I DALU I'R ARGLWYDD? BETH SYDD GEN I I'W GYNNING WRTH BLYGU I ADDOLI Y DUW MAWR?  
WITH WHAT SHALL I COME BEFORE THE LORD AND BOW DOWN BEFORE THE EXALTED GOD?

YDY ABERTHAU I'W LLOSGI YN DDIGON? Y LLOI GORAU I'W LLOSGI'N LLWYR?  
FYDDAI MIL O HYRDDOD YN EI BLESIO, NEU AFONYDD DIDDIWEDD O OLEW OLEWYDD  
SHALL I COME BEFORE HIM WITH BURNT OFFERINGS, WITH CALVES A YEAR OLD?  
WILL THE LORD BE PLEASED WITH THOUSANDS OF RAMS, WITH TEN THOUSAND RIVERS OF OIL?

DDYLWN I ARBERTHU FY MAB HYNAF YN DÂL AM WRTHRYFELA? – RHOI BYWYD FY MHLENTYN AM FY MHECHOD?  
SHALL I OFFER MY FIRSTBORN FOR MY TRANSGRESSION, THE FRUIT OF MY BODY FOR THE SIN OF MY SOUL?

NA, MAE'R ARGLWYDD WEDI DWEUD BETH SY'N DDA, A BETH MAE E EISIAU GEN TI.  
HYBU CYFIAWNDER, BOD YN HAEL BOB AMSER, A BYW'N WYLAIDD AC UFUDD I DY DDUW.  
HE HAS SHOWED YOU, O MORTAL, WHAT IS GOOD. AND WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU?  
TO ACT JUSTLY AND TO LOVE MERCY AND TO WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD.

MICHA 6:6-8  
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# MESSAGE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL LEADERS



*'... defending truth, humility, and justice.  
Go forth to perform awe-inspiring deeds!'*  
(Psalm 45:4b NLT)

Dear Cadets,

Commissioner Bronwyn and I consider it a privilege to greet you on this important and spiritually significant occasion of your ordination and commissioning as Salvation Army officers. Congratulations to each of you!

God has called and equipped you for such a time as this. You have completed your training and applied yourself to the journey of learning and preparation. We are deeply grateful to those who have trained and encouraged you. Now, at the commencement of your ministry as officers, you experience this day of commitment and joyful celebration before you are sent out into a world that desperately needs you. It's a beautiful thing.

Yours must be more than a sessional name. In a world where biblical justice is markedly absent, you are called to be defenders of justice. You are much needed in a world filled with injustice. The Hebrew Scriptures often record justice being defended and proclaimed. Jesus himself affirmed justice when he commenced his own ministry with a proclamation of liberty to captives, and freedom from oppression. At the end of his ministry, he would send out his disciples with the same holistic gospel.

Officership will provide you with many opportunities to be defenders of justice. So, in the words of the Psalmist: 'Go forth to perform awe-inspiring deeds.'

May God bless you richly in your service for him.

General Lyndon Buckingham  
*International leader*

Commissioner Bronwyn Buckingham  
*World President of Women's Ministries*

# MESSAGE FROM THE TERRITORIAL LEADERS



Dear Defenders of Justice,

It must be hard to believe that this day has arrived. For the last two years you have spent time studying God's word, understanding new concepts, learning 'how to...' and developing your own spiritual formation. Your life changed dramatically when you entered the William Booth College and hopefully it has been a positive formative experience for you.

Of course, you know that the learning, studying and spiritual formation doesn't conclude today. All of these will be vital for your ongoing development and growth as Salvation Army officers - and that is what you will be, for today is your ordination and commissioning day. Today is the day when we officially send you to appointments and to the communities you will serve and minister to. We are delighted to receive you as officers in the United Kingdom and Ireland Territory.

We want to congratulate you on making it to this milestone, and along with others who will be cheering you on, we commit to praying for you as you step into this new adventure, this life of Salvation Army officership.

We have no doubt that defending justice will be a priority in your forthcoming ministry, and as you do so we encourage you to show the love of God to those you serve and to those you work alongside. Your people are waiting for you, and we pray that God's Holy Spirit will fill you with all you need to reveal the Kingdom of God to them.

We hope you will enjoy this beautiful ordination and commissioning day, that you will be inspired and encouraged by all those who are supporting you and praying for you.

We thank God for you all, for the calling you have responded to and the dedication of your lives to the service of God through The Salvation Army. May God strengthen and bless you beyond your greatest imagination. Be Bold!

Yours in Christ,

Commissioners Jenine and Paul Main  
*Territorial leaders, United Kingdom and Ireland Territory*

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPALS



Dear Cadets,

I am delighted to be able to participate in the final stages of your training and to welcome you as the newest Salvation Army officers in the United Kingdom and Ireland Territory. You are commissioned with our confidence in your calling from God and in your giftedness and competence to fulfil that calling.

Your dedication song, written by Major Steve Dutfield and Karl Westwood reminds us that ripples flow outwards from a stone dropped into water. In the same way, the impact of your commitment to God, and your willingness to be available to serve as officers, will produce ripples of love and grace in every community that you go to.

Of course, there will be significant challenges along the way, but God will be with you and will equip you and provide for you in every situation. The greatest provision is the gift of the Holy Spirit who enabled Jesus to fulfil his ministry on earth (Luke 4:18-19) and who will empower and release you in your service as officers; and will also enable you to fulfil your calling. May I remind you of those words expressed as a declaration of truth for You:

*The Spirit of the Lord is on you, because he has anointed you to proclaim good news to the poor. He sends you to proclaim freedom to prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, to set the oppressed free and to proclaim that this is the year of the Lord's favour.*

May God bless, keep, and use you, especially in your early days as Salvation Army officers. Please be certain that we will continue to support you in prayer and will look forward to celebrating the fruit of your various ministries and seeing you grow and develop as spiritual leaders.

Warm regards and every blessing.

Lieut-Colonel Judith Payne  
Principal, William Booth College

Major Althea Bawden  
Assistant Principal

# DEFENDERS OF JUSTICE

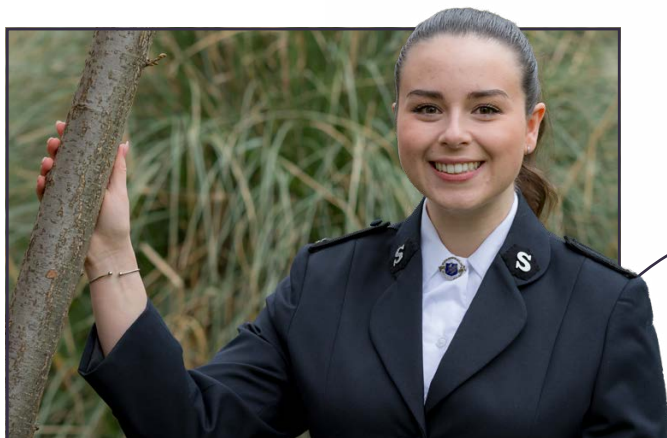
**EDWARD BORRETT**  
**LEEDS BRAMLEY TO HARLESDEN**

‘Watch for the new thing I am going to do. It is happening already—you can see it now! I will make a road through the wilderness and give you streams of water there.’ (Isaiah 43:19 *GNT*)



**SOPHIE BORRETT**  
**LEEDS BRAMLEY TO HARLESDEN**

‘The thief comes only in order to steal, kill, and destroy. I have come in order that you might have life—life in all its fullness.’ (John 10:10 *GNT*)



**LUKE FURLONG**  
**MORLEY VIA BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TO ISLE OF WIGHT**

‘Yet I still dare to hope when I remember this: The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning.’ (Lamentations 3:21-23 *NLT*)

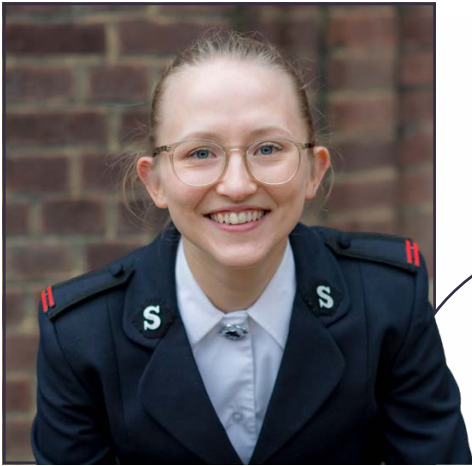


**RACHEL FURLONG**  
**EDINBURGH CITY VIA BUCKHAVEN TO ISLE OF WIGHT**

‘Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.’ (Joshua 1:9 *NIV*)







**LIZZY KITCHENSIDE**  
**ADDLESTONE TO HAROLD HILL**

‘Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.’ (Ephesians 3:20-21 *NIV*)

**ANA LAYTON**  
**NOTTINGHAM WILLIAM BOOTH MEMORIAL HALLS TO MALDON**

‘I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.’ (John 15:5 *NIV*)



**GEORGIA MARRIOTT-LODGE**  
**ASHTON-IN-MAKERFIELD TO SHERBURN HILL**

‘The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.’ (1 Thessalonians 5:24 *NIV*)

**JOHN MELIA**  
**STREET**

‘Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy, for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now. And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.’ (Philippians 1:3-6 *NLT*)



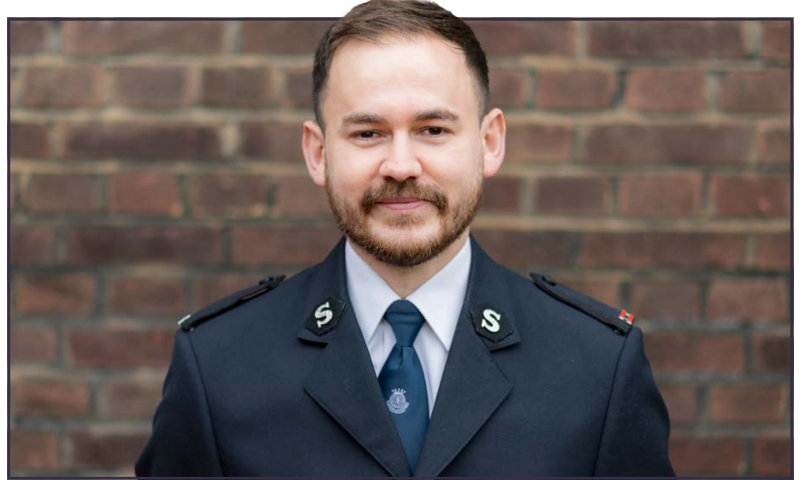


**BETH PERKINS**  
**STAINES TO MAIDSTONE**

‘For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.’ (Psalm 100:5 NIV)

**DAVE PERKINS**  
**STAINES TO MAIDSTONE**

‘See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!’ (1 John 3:1a NIV)



**PAUL SASS**  
**PENTRE TO ABERYSTWYTH**

‘And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.’ (Micah 6:8b NIV)

**ALICE SWAIN**  
**MAGGLESFIELD**

‘I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.’ (Psalm 34:1 KJV)



# MAKING SENSE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY

## OFFICER TRAINING



Following an application process which includes development plans and assessments, formal training for officership consists of either residential learning at William Booth College or Distance Learning. Training involves practical and academic studies both on campus and on placement at different Salvation Army settings.

Following commissioning, training continues with five years of the Into Officership programme and, of course, is followed by a lifetime of learning and development.

## SALUTE



The Salvation Army salute, which is the raising of the right hand with the index finger pointing upwards, symbolically recognises that everything we do is because of who God is and what God has done for us.

## DECLARATION OF FAITH



The Declaration of Faith is the recital of the eleven doctrines - key beliefs and teachings - of The Salvation Army. The doctrines explore and define (as best we can) our understanding of God, humanity and Christian life.

They are unique to The Salvation Army, but they share a common emphasis with other Christian traditions. They are the foundation of faith, providing a benchmark which helps Salvationists to live out their faith.

## THE COVENANT



One definition of a covenant is a solemn and sacred agreement or mutual promise between two or more parties.

A few days prior to the ordination and commissioning, in a very special service at William Booth College, each cadet signs a covenant - a promise to love and serve God, and to faithfully fulfil the duties and responsibilities of an officer in The Salvation Army.

## ORDINATION AND COMMISSIONING



Each cadet will affirm their faith and declare their intention to be loyal to the truths of scripture as they are ordained as ministers and commissioned to serve as Salvation Army officers.

## APPOINTING



Newly commissioned officers are appointed as spiritual leaders in various communities and contexts around the country. Each of them commits to serving everyone in the name of Christ.

# COMMISSIONING MEETING

## PRE-MEETING MUSIC

The International Staff Band and Songsters

## WELCOME

Lieut-Colonel Judith Payne, Principal, William Booth College  
Major Althea Bawden, Assistant Principal, William Booth College

## ENTRY OF THE CADETS OF THE DEFENDERS OF JUSTICE SESSION

Please remain seated as the cadets enter the auditorium

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CADETS AND PRAYER

Colonel Julie Forrest, Territorial Secretary for Leader Development

## CONGREGATIONAL SONGS

### WE HAVE CAUGHT THE VISION SPLENDID (SASB 938)

*Doris N. Rendell (1896-1990), © The General of The Salvation Army*

1. We have caught the vision splendid  
Of a world which is to be,  
When the pardoning love of Jesus  
Freely flows from sea to sea,  
When all men from strife and anger,  
Greed and selfishness are free,  
When the nations live together  
In sweet peace and harmony.

2. We would help to build the city  
Of our God, so wondrous fair;  
Give our time, bring all our talents,  
And each gift of beauty rare,  
Powers of mind, and strength of purpose,  
Days of labour, nights of strain,  
That God's will may be accomplished,  
O'er the kingdoms He shall reign.

3. Founded on the Rock of Ages,  
Built upon God's promise sure,  
Strengthened by the cords of service,  
We shall stand firm and secure;  
When the Father, Son and Spirit  
Crown our labours with success,  
Men and angels then uniting  
Shall God's mighty love confess.

### PRaise TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY (SASB 56)

*Joachim Neander (1650-1680), trs. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878) and others*

Praise to the Lord,  
The Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation.  
All ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,  
Praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord,  
Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
He who with love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord,  
Who, when tempests their warfare are waging,  
Who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,  
Biddeth them cease, turneth their fury to peace,  
Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord,  
Who, when darkness of sin is abounding,  
Who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,  
Sheddeth his light, chaseth the horrors of night,  
Saints with his mercy surrounding.

Praise to the Lord!  
O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
Gladly for aye we adore him.

### WHEN I WAS LOST (SASB 483)

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When I was lost, you came and rescued me;  
Reached down into the pit and lifted me.  
O Lord, such love, I was as far from you as I could be.  
You know all the things I've ever done,  
But Jesus' blood has cancelled every one.  
O Lord, such grace to qualify me as your own.

*There is a new song in my mouth,  
There is a deep cry in my heart,  
A hymn of praise to Almighty God, hallelujah!  
And now I stand firm on this rock,  
My life is hidden now with Christ in God,  
The old has gone and the new has come, hallelujah!  
Your love has lifted me!*

Now I have come into your family,  
For the Son of God has died for me.  
O Lord, such peace, I am as loved by you as I could be.  
In the full assurance of your love,  
Now with every confidence we come.  
O Lord, such joy to know that you delight in me.

## BIBLE READING AND PRAYER

Amos 5:23-24

## MUSIC FROM THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF BAND

### BIBLE READING

Micah 6:6-8, read in Welsh and English by Megan Sass and Eleri Sass

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### DEDICATION SONG

'Ripples of Justice'

Words by Major Stephen Dutfield, music by Karl Westwood

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### DECLARATION OF FAITH

led by Major Stephen Oliver

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### CHARGE AND RESPONSE

Colonel Peter Forrest, Chief Secretary

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### ORDINATION AND COMMISSIONING

Commissioner Jenine Main, Territorial Leader

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### PRAYER

Lieut-Colonel Judith Payne, Principal, William Booth College

## MUSIC FROM THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF SONGSTERS

### CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Led by Commissioner Paul Main, Territorial Leader

#### I THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY (SASB 1002)

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I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

## MESSAGE FROM THE WORD

Commissioner Paul Main, Territorial Leader

## CONGREGATIONAL SONGS

### BEAUTY FOR BROKENNESS (SASB 998)

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Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,  
Lord, in your suffering world this is our prayer.  
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,  
Sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase!

Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills,  
Work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills.  
Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak,  
Voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak.

*God of the poor, friend of the weak,  
give us compassion we pray.  
Melt our cold hearts,  
Let tears fall like rain;  
Come, change our love  
From a spark to a flame.*

Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,  
Cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share.  
Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green,  
Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.

Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams,  
plundered and poisoned - our future, our dreams.  
Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed;  
Make us content with the things that we need.

*God of the poor...*

Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame  
Until your justice burns brightly again;  
Until the nations learn of your ways,  
Seek your salvation and bring you their praise.

*God of the poor...*

## I SPEAK JESUS

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I just want to speak the name of Jesus  
Over every heart and every mind,  
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence;  
I speak Jesus.

I just want to speak the name of Jesus  
'Til every dark addiction starts to break.  
Declaring there is hope and there is freedom;  
I speak Jesus!

*'Cause Your name is power,  
Your name is healing,  
Your name is life!  
Break every stronghold,  
Shine through the shadows,  
Burn like a fire!*

I just want to speak the name of Jesus  
Over fear and all anxiety,  
To every soul held captive by depression;  
I speak Jesus!

*'Cause Your name is power...*

Shout Jesus from the mountains,  
Jesus in the streets!  
Jesus in the darkness over every enemy!  
Jesus for my family;  
I speak the holy name, Jesus!  
(repeat)

*'Cause Your name is power...*

I just want to speak the name of Jesus  
Over every heart and every mind,  
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence;  
I speak Jesus.



## HEALING CHRIST (SASB 999)

Peter Lee, adapted Malcolm Bale (1934-2012), © The General of The Salvation Army

1. Every moment children perish,  
Sickness scars the lives of men.  
Lacking love, all hope is fading,  
Weakened by enduring pain.

*Healing Christ, you are the answer,  
Lay on us your broken hands.  
Fill us with your Spirit's presence,  
Our lives are healed at your command.*

2. Devastated human spirits,  
Disillusioned with the world,  
Daily from their lives withdrawing,  
Loneliness their only shield.

3. All creation slowly dying,  
Choking in the grip of sin,  
Evil strongholds ever growing,  
Unrestrained by fallen men.

*Healing Christ, descend with power,  
Fortify our fragile hearts.  
Every stronghold now destroying,  
Come, begin your rule on earth.*

## TIME OF PRAYER

Commissioner Paul Main, Territorial Leader

## PRAYER CARDS

On the left half of your prayer card, you'll find a prayer request from one of the new lieutenants. This is for you to tear off and keep, so that you can pray for them over the coming days and weeks, or even years.

On the right half of the card, there is space for you to write a prayer or some words of encouragement for one of the new lieutenants. This could be the person featured on the left side of the card, or another member of the Defenders of Justice session - it's up to you. This half of the card will be collected at the end of the service and given to the new lieutenants.

## LET JUSTICE ROLL

© Matt Spencer

Let every voice be silent,  
Let every tongue be still.  
No words of adoration  
From lips with praises filled.  
Let trumpets cease resounding,  
Stringed instruments laid down,  
To hear the voice of voices  
That thunders from the throne.

*Let justice roll like rivers!  
Let righteousness prevail!  
Let mercy heal the nations!  
My love and peace unveiled!  
And from deep within repentant hearts  
We cry on bended knee;  
'Let it be so, Lord Jesus!  
And let it begin with me!'*

Let hands, held high in worship,  
Help fallen ones to stand.  
And lips that pour forth praises,  
Speak justice in this land!  
Let feet, that dance, rejoicing,  
March to a different drum.  
And hearts, filled with emotion,  
Break for the broken ones.

*Let justice roll...*

He has shown us what is good,  
And what he requires;  
See that justice is done,  
Mercy our first concern  
As we humbly walk with God.

*Let justice roll...*

## CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Led by Commissioner Paul Main, Territorial Leader

### O CHURCH, ARISE (SASB 819)

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O Church, arise, and put your armour on;  
Hear the call of Christ our captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth,  
We'll stand against the devil's lies;  
An army bold, whose battle cry is Love,  
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,  
But to rage against the captor;  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,  
We will fight with faith and valour.  
When faced with trials on every side  
We know the outcome is secure.  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died,  
An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross, where love and mercy meet,  
As the Son of God is stricken;  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet,  
For the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away,  
And Christ emerges from the grave,  
This victory march continues till the day  
Every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride,  
Give grace for every hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize  
Of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way,  
Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day  
When with Christ we stand in Glory.

## BENEDICTION

Commissioner Paul Main, Territorial Leader

# SESSIONAL SONG

## DEFENDERS OF JUSTICE

*Lieut-Colonel Nick and Major Kerry Coke*

Rise, Defenders of Justice,  
see the splintering light,  
Discern the Powers shifting,  
forming shadows in the night.  
Lift your eyes Defenders of Justice,  
see the wounded, broken Christ,  
Standing with the crucified.

*Now is the time for action.  
Disturb the present age.  
God, we follow you.  
Courage rising in us,  
Speaking truth to power.  
God, we follow you.*

*Just mercy. Just goodness.  
Just kindness. Just anger.  
May we come with your freedom,  
your wisdom, your justice.*

Lift your voice, Defenders of Justice,  
break the silence with words of life.  
Overturn the loaded tables,  
liberate the fear-filled cry.  
Lift your hearts, Defenders of Justice,  
Feel the righteous river flow from  
the mercy of God's throne.

*Now is the time for action...*

We do it all for you.

Be faithful. Be gracious. Be humble. Be truthful.  
Love goodness. Love mercy.  
Love kindness. Love freedom.  
Love justice. Love justice. Love justice.

*Just mercy. Just goodness.  
Just kindness. Just anger.  
May we come with your freedom,  
your wisdom, your justice.  
Just mercy. Just goodness.  
Just kindness. Just anger.  
May we come with your freedom,  
your wisdom, your justice.*

# DEDICATION SONG

## RIPPLES OF JUSTICE DYMA GYFIAWNDER, DYMA GARIAD

*Lyrics: Major Steve Dutfield, music: Karl Westwood*

I'm determined to seek justice's embrace.  
With your mercy guiding every step I take.  
With each passing day I live, let love erase  
All my old mistakes and help me choose your ways.

Committed to what's true and just and right,  
With Jesus by our side, we'll shine so bright.  
No more darkness, we commit to bring your light.  
As a movement of your people, we will fight!

We affirm your love to us will always last.  
How we need your justice in this world so vast.  
You shine bright for all who seem to be outcast,  
Oh, Lord, reign so that injustice is past.

Here is justice, here is love.  
A way of life that flows from up above.  
To act justly, to love mercy,  
to walk humbly with our God.  
Here is justice, here is love.  
Dyma gyfiawnder, dyma gariad.

In the way of ripples from a single stone,  
So your justice spreads from me  
to all that's known.  
Let your love be seen in all I seek to own,  
In me, in us, and then on earth, our home.

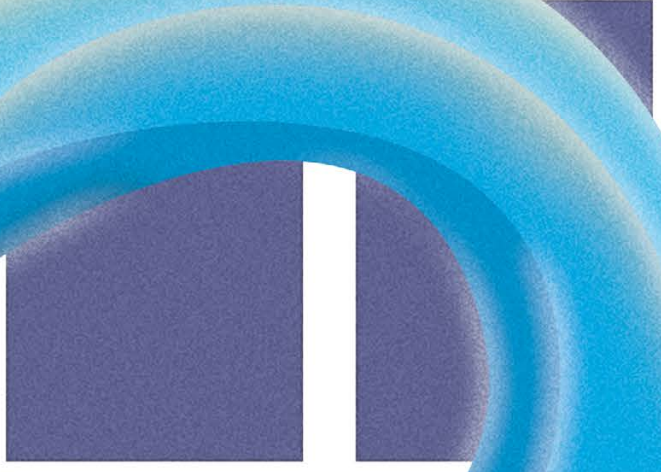
Dyma gyfiawnder, dyma gariad.

**ACT JUSTLY,**

**LOVE MERCY,**

**WALK HUMBLY**

**WITH YOUR GOD**



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# CALLED BY GOD...

...TO PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST AS AN OFFICER OF THE SALVATION ARMY, I BIND MYSELF TO HIM IN THIS SOLEMN COVENANT:



To love and serve him supremely all my days

To live to win souls and make their salvation the first purpose of my life



To care for the poor, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, love the unloved, and befriend those who have no friends

To maintain the doctrines and principles of The Salvation Army, and, by God's grace, to prove myself a worthy officer



SALVATION ARMY OFFICER'S COVENANT

# DECLARATION OF FAITH

In the name of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, and in the presence of the officers, soldiers, adherents and friends of The Salvation Army here assembled, we declare that:

**WE BELIEVE** that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and that they only constitute the Divine rule of Christian faith and practice.

**WE BELIEVE** that there is only one God, who is infinitely perfect, the Creator, Preserver, and Governor of all things, and who is the only proper object of religious worship.

**WE BELIEVE** that there are three persons in the Godhead - the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, undivided in essence and co-equal in power and glory.

**WE BELIEVE** that in the person of Jesus Christ the Divine and human natures are united, so that he is truly and properly God and truly and properly man.

**WE BELIEVE** that our first parents were created in a state of innocence, but by their disobedience they lost their purity and happiness, and that in consequence of their fall all men have become sinners, totally depraved, and as such are justly exposed to the wrath of God.

**WE BELIEVE** that the Lord Jesus Christ has by his suffering and death made an atonement for the whole world so that whosoever will may be saved.

**WE BELIEVE** that repentance towards God, faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and regeneration by the Holy Spirit, are necessary to salvation.

**WE BELIEVE** that we are justified by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and that he that believeth hath the witness in himself.

**WE BELIEVE** that continuance in a state of salvation depends upon continued obedient faith in Christ.

**WE BELIEVE** that it is the privilege of all believers to be wholly sanctified, and that their whole spirit and soul and body may be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**WE BELIEVE** in the immortality of the soul; in the resurrection of the body; in the general judgment at the end of the world; in the eternal happiness of the righteous; and in the endless punishment of the wicked.

# CHARGE AND RESPONSE

CHIEF SECRETARY

Do you promise to maintain and proclaim these truths?

CADETS

We do!

CHIEF SECRETARY

Do you regard it as your duty to bear this witness everywhere, to strive to lead all persons to their only Saviour, and for his sake to care for the poor, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, love the unloved and befriend those who have no friends?

CADETS

We do!

CHIEF SECRETARY

Do you promise by holy living, boundless charity, and adherence to the principles and discipline of the Army to show yourselves at all times to be faithful officers of The Salvation Army?

CADETS

We do!

CHIEF SECRETARY

In the name of God, I accept the declarations and promises you have made this day. We will now proceed with your ordination and commissioning.

# ORDINATION AND COMMISSIONING

We rejoice that God has called you, has equipped you and gifted you for sacred service and therefore affirm that you are ordained as a minister of the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and I now commission you as an officer of The Salvation Army with the rank of lieutenant.



# STAFF AND CADETS



**THE CADETS WITH THE PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**



**THE CHOIR**



**THE WORSHIP GROUP**



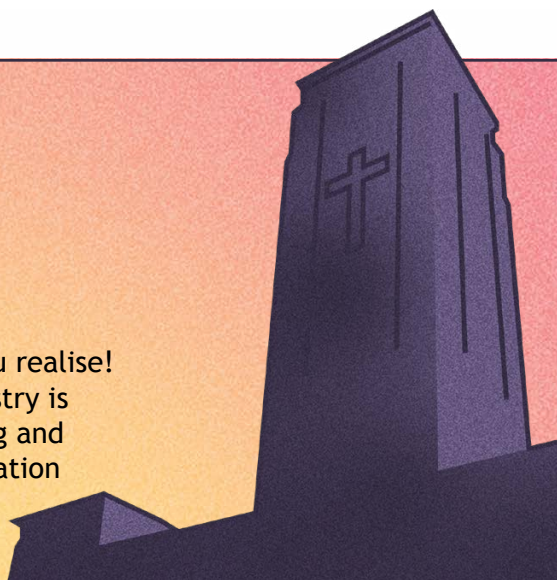
**THE BRASS BAND**



**THE STAFF OF WILLIAM BOOTH COLLEGE**

# GOOD NEWS FROM WILLIAM BOOTH COLLEGE

William Booth College (WBC) might just be more than you realise! Of course, the training of cadets for Salvation Army ministry is a vital aspect of what we do. But WBC facilitates learning and vocational and professional development across The Salvation Army in the UK and Ireland (UKI) and beyond. Here are just a few insights into the life and work of WBC.



## SPIRITUAL LIFE

### KEEPING CHRIST AT THE CENTRE!

Christlikeness, Mission, Community, and Hospitality are WBC's core values. The Spiritual Life Unit supports these in many different ways. Recently we opened our doors to a local school for a tour of the International Heritage Centre and WBC site, in the first of many such outreach events.



Another exciting development is the imminent opening of a Retreat Centre at WBC. This will provide a beautiful space for reflection and sanctuary for the college, the local community, and the UKI Territory.

## FOUNDATIONAL LEARNING



### KNOWING, BEING, DOING

The integration of 'knowing, being and doing' has always been at the heart of officer training, but the Foundational Learning team has been looking at creative ways to develop this further. This year, first-year cadets have been engaged in attachment placements with a local corps for the whole year, which has meant many aspects of the training programme have been delivered in practical settings alongside corps officers. We have been very grateful for the corps officers involved and the team at London Divisional Headquarters for supporting with this.

## OPEN LEARNING

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### ENJOY YOUR STUDIES! DEVELOP YOUR FAITH! INCREASE YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

Open Learning provides over 100 correspondence courses for adults of any age and ability, whether part of The Salvation Army or not. There are currently over 90 students, including those serving time in 22 HMP establishments. Courses, which are at three levels, explore such topics as the Bible, Christian Life, the beliefs and mission of the Church, pastoral care, spiritual formation, world religions, ethics and the interaction of faith with the big issues of life. An excellent team of tutors offer feedback and encouragement along the learning journey.

## VOCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### EQUIPPING LEADERS TO LEAD

This year, 58 territorial envoys completed the Territorial Envoy Programme. Each year, 84 officers and envoys, supported by 42 coaches and eight Learning and Development Officers, attend one of seven Vocational Development Pathway workshops.

There are currently 90 lieutenants and cadets being supported in their early years of ministry through the Into Officership programme, and each year the Leader Development Programme equips 18 officers and envoys, who are further on in ministry, to be more effective spiritual leaders.

The unit currently supports 19 chaplains across the range of The Salvation Army's work, as well as 30 employed spiritual leaders, involved in local corps and pioneer leadership.

## HIGHER EDUCATION

For officers wishing to top-up their DipHE in Salvation Army Officer Training, WBC offers the BA (Hons) Christian Theology and Practice. Now into its eighth cohort, and with 20 students in the current cohort, this degree is delivered part-time over two years, alongside officers' full-time ministerial roles.



In May, WBC along with the graduates' families and friends, celebrated the graduation of those who had completed the BA/BA (Hons) Pastoral Care with Psychology and the BA (Hons) Christian Theology and Practice degree programmes.

# EUROPEAN LIEUTENANTS' GATHERING

## FELLOWSHIP ACROSS BORDERS

In March WBC hosted 68 delegates from 13 countries for the inaugural European Lieutenants Gathering, consisting of worship, teaching and visits to International Headquarters, St Paul's Cathedral and sites of significance from the early days of the Army.



This event was especially significant, given the remoteness of some appointments across Europe, and the fellowship has for many developed into friendships, with connections and support being maintained through social media.

# LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The Learning and Development Unit supports spiritual leaders and employees across the UK and Ireland Territory to access training courses and other development opportunities.

This year we have facilitated 131 learning cohorts, with courses ranging from productivity skills development to understanding the causes and consequences of substance use. These courses are either facilitated online, at regional services such as Lifehouses, or at WBC. In the Autumn and Spring terms, 817 learners were supported from all departments and services offered across The Salvation Army.

For the full range of our offers to spiritual leaders and employees, visit [wbclearningdevelopment.org](http://wbclearningdevelopment.org).

# CANDIDATES UNIT

## DESIGN FOR LIFE

The last three Design for Life weekends have seen 30 delegates at each - with amazing, life-changing experiences for those who gathered for weekends of worship, teaching and discovery.

## EXPLORING LEADERSHIP DAY

The Exploring Leadership Day at William Booth College saw 200 people of all ages meeting to worship and celebrate together. As they thanked God for his goodness, and sought his will and purpose for their lives, there was a tangible and heightened awareness of his presence.

These events are gaining momentum and there is an increasing interest and an intentional desire to explore ministry and vocation. The tide is turning - so many are enquiring about officership, territorial leadership and spiritual leadership as we move towards 2025. This is so exciting to see, hear and be part of.

We pray that God will continue to raise up leaders for the future. Could this be you? If so, contact your Divisional Headquarters or the Candidates Unit ([vocation@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:vocation@salvationarmy.org.uk)). Keep shining and making a difference!



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or a Territorial  
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FRIDAY 24 - SUNDAY 26 JANUARY 2025

FRIDAY 27 - SUNDAY 29 JUNE 2025

FRIDAY 19 - SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2025



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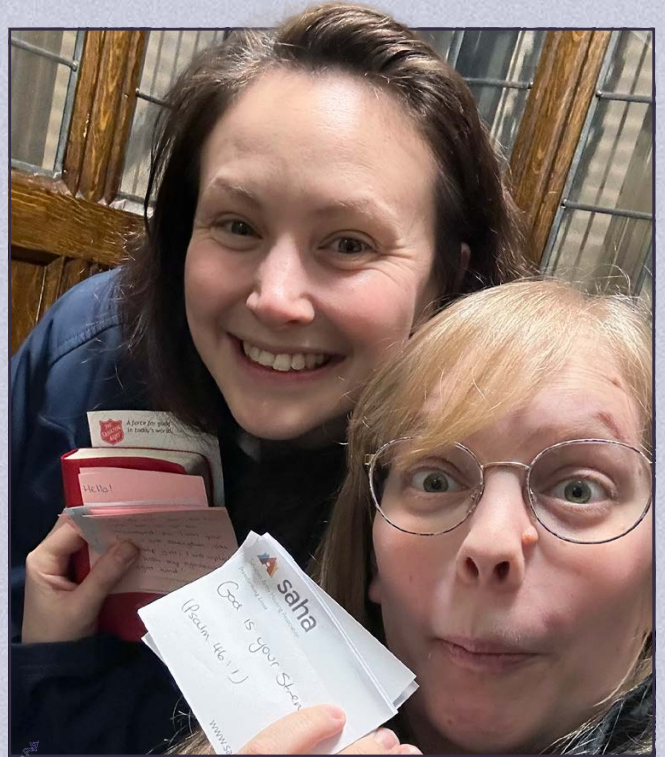
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# CADET LIFE











# THANK YOU FROM THE CADETS

**W**e would like to take a few words to thank everyone who has supported us, prayed for us and sought God's blessing upon us over these past years.

Firstly, to our parents, spouses, children, brothers and sisters, wider families and friends - your love and care have been unstinting. We praise God for you!

To our home corps families, the tutors and staff at William Booth College, our pastoral and divisional support officers, as well as corps, placement and divisional officers and their teams - we recognise and acknowledge the help and guidance you have given each of us to navigate God's pathway for us before and during our training.

Finally, to our awesome God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you have called us and honoured our lives with your saving grace and love. As we seek to fulfil your calling of us, may we live to serve you and others, acting justly, showing compassion and walking humbly with you for the remainder of our lives.

**Y**chydig o eiriau gan y Defenders of Justice.... Hoffwn fachu ar y cyfle i roi diolch i bawb sydd wedi ein cefnogi, gweddio drosom ac ymofyn bendith Duw arnom dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf.

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Ac yn olaf, i'n Duw anhygoel. Y Tad, y Mab a'r Ysbryd Glân. Rwyd ti wedi ein galw ac wedi anrhydeddu ein bywyd trwy dy ras a chariad achubol. Wrth i ni geisio cyflawni dy alwad ar ein bywydau, boed i ni fyw i wasanaethu ti ac eraill, ymddwyn â chyfiawnder, dangos trugaredd a byw'n wylaidd ac yn ufudd gyda thi am weddill ein bywydau.



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'LET JUSTICE ROLL ON LIKE A RIVER,  
RIGHTEOUSNESS LIKE A  
NEVER-FAILING STREAM!'

AMOS 5:24

