



Saffron Walden Corps
Knowing • Growing • Showing
the love of Jesus

Corps Newsletter

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Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, **bringing out the God-colours in the world.** God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:14-16 The Message

Bringing out the God-Colours

I suspect that January is not a favourite month for many people. Christmas has gone and we're still in the depths of winter. So this might be a time for us to shine the light of God even more brightly, because our hope, our peace and our security isn't dependent on circumstances or feelings. The God we rely on is unchanging.

I wonder how we might be able to encourage and help others this January. Who might need a phone call, a message or a cup of tea? How could we, as we go about our daily lives, show patience and generosity? Where could we be peace-makers? How could we reach out to someone who feels left out? Because if we share God's hope and peace with others, then we are sharing His light.

Thank you to all those who helped us share the light by supporting our Christmas appeal and activities.

Diary Dates

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| Sunday 4 January - | 10.30 am Worship Meeting |
| Thursday 8 January - | 7.30 pm TakeTime meditation |
| Sunday 11 January - | 10.30 am Worship Meeting: Covenant Sunday |
| | 6 pm Iona Service led by Alison Jiggins, Salvation Army Hall |
| Monday 12 January - | 10 am Joint Bible Study with the URC, URC vestry |
| Thursday 15 January - | 7.30 pm Creative Group |
| Sunday 18 January - | 10.30 am United Service for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, St Mary's |
| Monday 19 January - | 7 pm Agape Meal, Saffron Walden Baptist Church (<i>time & arrangements TBC</i>) |
| Sunday 25 January - | 10.30 am Worship Meeting (Bishops Stortford Corps joining us) |
| <i>Julia away 26-31 January</i> | |
| Monday 26 January - | 10 am Joint Bible Study with the URC, URC vestry |

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