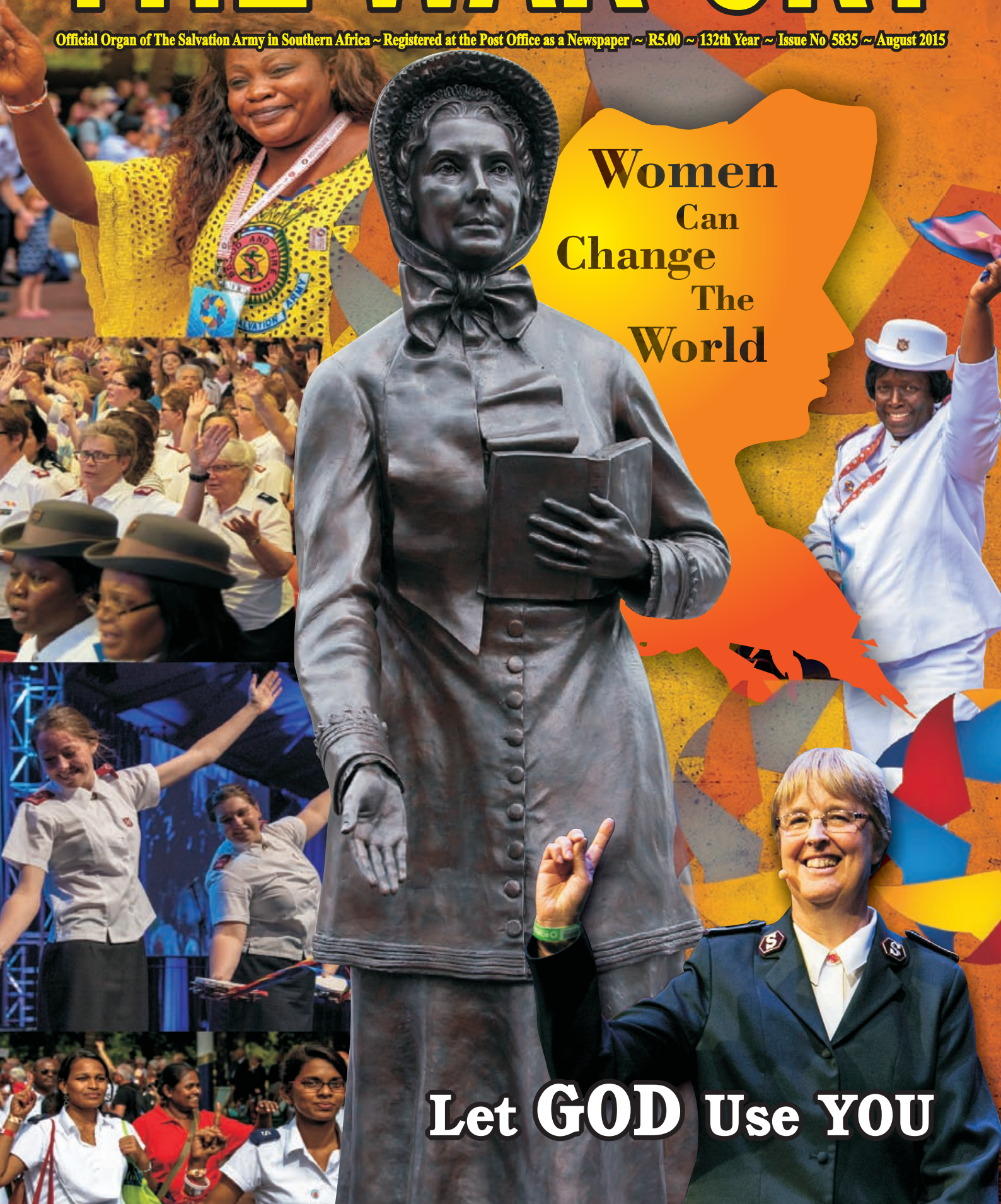


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World**

**Let GOD Use YOU**





# From the Editor

## "Wathint' abafazi! wathint'imbhokodo"

(You strike a Woman, you strike a rock)

My column in the last edition alluded to the will and power within a woman. Looking at our Theme for August, Women's month, I decided to remind you and also share some insight on bravery shown and the role played by women in the history of our country.



Major Kediemetse  
Lenah Jwili

Across the pages of this edition you will pick up the brave sacrificial and courageous steps taken by individuals to shape and change situations for the betterment of human livelihood both physically and spiritually.

Though my mother was not a politician, she does not forget the brave action women took on August 09, 1956 challenging the then government on the 'dompass law' as she would call it whenever she related the story to us.

This goes back 59 years when over 20 000 women of all races and ages from across South Africa participated in a national march petitioned against pass laws ... "pass laws" were legislation that required African persons to carry a document to 'prove' that they were allowed to enter a 'white area' during the Apartheid regime. These brave women marched to the Union Buildings in Pretoria in protest against this injustice. The leaders of the march, Helen Joseph, Rahim Moosa, Sophie Williams and Lilian Ngoyi delivered petitions to the then Prime Minister JG Strijdom.

Recently at the Boundless Congress, the World President of Women's Ministries, Commissioner Silvia Cox spoke about the same fact that Women can Change the World. She also encouraged the women to let God use them.

I quote "We the women of The Salvation Army can change the world- One person, One family, One village, One community, One country at a time" she declared to the audience. (*Boundless Today issue four*).

We all believe in destiny: that God created us for something. Our destiny is not something we ought to do; it is something we yearn for, that is more fulfilling for us than any other task.

1 August 2015 Lieutenant Colonels Keith and Yvonne Conrad will be officially installed as the Southern Africa Territory's leaders, as Territorial Commander and Territorial President of Women's Ministries. Instead of our incoming Territorial Commander writing an article, we decided to go the route of questions and responses. In reading the responses from the Territorial Commander one can pick up the Vision he has. The sense of purpose which I believe and pray that will give him perseverance when things go wrong and that he will have a spirit of discernment when dealing with God's business.

I believe that you will join in praying for our incoming Leaders Colonels Yvonne and Keith Conrad. You have no option but to pray for them because this is God's instructions in His Word.

Stay Blessed



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### MISSION STATEMENT OF THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by love for God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.



# Getting to know the Territorial Commander

## *Where were you born and raised?*

I was born and raised in Cape Town and am the eldest of 6 children – we are three brothers and three sisters.

## *Were you raised in a Christian home?*

I was raised in a nominal Christian home. We were Methodists when I was growing up and attended the local Methodist church regularly. As children, we hardly missed Sunday school, since we lived just opposite the church and my grandmother, who came to visit every Sunday, made sure that we were in Sunday school and church every Sunday. During those growing up years, when I was just six or seven years old, I remember the Gideonites, doing missionary work in our community, doing door to door visitation, distributing the pocket size red Gideon Bibles. That's how I got my very own first Bible back then. My parents then opened our home to the Gideonites and so out-reach Sunday school was held in our home for quite some time.

## *When did you become a Christian?*

I became a Christian when I was nine years old. It happened during school holidays, which I spent at my cousins' home. I went along with them to The Salvation Army Matroosfontein Corps in the Western Cape Division where my uncle and aunt Stemmet and Ruth Engelbrecht were Envoys. That was the first time I came into contact with The Salvation Army. I remember very clearly that on that Sunday morning during the senior meeting, I responded to the altar call, knelt at the mercy seat where the Corps Sergeant Major, lead me in a simple prayer to Jesus, whom I accepted into my heart as Lord and Saviour. That first Sunday, was the beginning of a wonderful journey into a new life with Jesus! I fell in love with God and The Salvation Army, and a turbulent transition into The Salvation Army began, for remember, being only 9 years old and belonging to the Methodist church, wasn't going to make this transition any easy!

## *When and how were you called to officership?*

You have heard the expression: "Killing two birds with one stone", or, "which came first, the chicken or the egg?" Well, this was what happened to me! On that Sunday morning, when I gave my heart to Jesus, I also strongly felt the urge "to be a preacher". For the first time, I saw and heard my uncle preach the Bible, I felt a strong urge to respond to the call of God to be his child and to serve him the way my uncle and aunt did! This made the transition into The Salvation Army even more turbulent, but when I look back over all these years, I see the faithfulness of God, who never let go of me. If there were times when I have ever doubted whether I was in the right vocation, or when I faced the struggles of life as a young officer, the Lord always reminded me of the encounter I had with Him on that Sunday morning, when I first met Jesus and answered the call to officership, and the turbulent years, through which He lead me through!

## *What was your occupation prior to officership?*

My final year at High School, was during that intensive year of "the struggle" against inferior education in our country. It was the time of the big "school boycott", which went on for a year and during this time I worked as a volunteer at The Salvation Army Men's Metropole in Cape Town, where my uncle and aunt were the Administrators, whenever there were no classes. I remember we had to watch the newspapers to see whether we were going back to school or whether the boycott was continuing. Following this stint at The Salvation Army Men's hostel, I went into the newspaper industry where I worked at the Cape Times for six years prior to entering into the College for Officer Training.

## *How did you meet your wife and how many children?*

This is a long but beautiful story! A story for another day! Very briefly then. I met my wife at Matroosfontein Corps. It was during our teen years when I suddenly noticed her. I on and off went to The Salvation Army whenever I had the opportunity to do so, or when I had a chance to 'slip away' from home on a Sunday morning, walking down to The Salvation Army, instead of going to the Methodist church opposite our home! During these times I never really noticed her although she was there in the Singing Company all along, and playing in the junior timbrel brigade etc. Then one day, after a long absence from the Army because I was still belonging to the Methodist church, and not allowed to attend the Army any longer, I visited my cousins and, I saw this beautiful young lady 'for the first time' who came to my uncle's place together with her sister, on their way to Bonteheuwel Corps for Company Guard's training, and wow, wow, wow, how could I not have noticed her? The rest is history!

We are married for 31 years and have a son in Cape Town and a daughter living in New Zealand with her husband and we are proud grand parents of two beautiful grandchildren Conrad, who will be two years old in October and Brooklynn who will be a year old in September.

## *What do you do in your spare time?*

I do a bit of reading, love the outdoors, and when we do have the opportunity, do some 'day-driving' to scenic routes, etc.

## *Where have you previously served?*

After commissioning we served in a variety of appointments, which have stretched and broaden our world view of The Salvation Army globally. We



Major Kedimetse Lenah Jwili  
with Colonel Keith Conrad

served for three years in Bonteheuwel Corps and nursery school, seven blessed years at Worcester Corps, four years at Mitchells Plain Corps, then on to College staff where I spend two years as Spiritual Formation Officer & Assistant Extension Training Officer and my wife three years as Director for Special Services and Director for Spiritual Formation. I was then appointed as Territorial Public Relations Secretary, and my wife joined me a year later in this department as Assistant Public Relations Secretary. In 2007 we went on International Service to New Zealand as Divisional Programme Secretary and Divisional Personnel Secretary respectively and returned to South Africa in 2010 as Divisional Commander and DDWM of Limpopo Division. From October 2011 to April 2012 we took up appointments as Divisional

Commander and DDWM of the Central Division, after which we went to THQ for a short while (four months!) as Secretary for Programme and Assistant Secretary for Personnel. Appointments to IHQ followed as Under Secretary and Assistant Under Secretary for Africa Zone. These appointments we held for a year, before we were appointed to the Southern Africa territory as Chief Secretary and TSMW.

## *What is your vision for The Salvation Army in South Africa?*

My vision for The Salvation Army is encapsulated in the Territorial Strategic Plan's 1-3-5! I believe The Salvation Army has what it takes to bring transformation to the communities where we are located, and our communities, the country at large, are presenting to us countless opportunities to be what God has purposed for us to be! Our Founder and first General William Booth, uttered his most famous the "I'll Fight" speech a hundred and three years ago and they are still relevant for us here in South Africa today. Yes, my vision for The Salvation Army in South Africa will continue to be that; "The Salvation Army is a vibrant movement with people of integrity, coming alongside communities, enabling growth and transformation of the whole person through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, where every Corps and centre and Salvation Army expression is active in their communities, facilitating transformation, where every Salvationist must be equipped to facilitate transformation and of a Salvation Army that is growing in quality and quantity!" It is my earnest prayer that God will pour out his Holy Spirit afresh upon His Army, bringing revival in the heart and life of every Salvationist, so that The Salvation Army in this beautiful country will truly be what God has called us to be... **The Salvation Army!**

## *Do you have a Bible passage or verse that is special to you?*

I have quite a few, but there is a particular passage that has always struck a chord with me and it is found in Philippians 2: 1-11. For me, it is important that as brothers and sisters in the Lord, being part of God's family, we must be like Jesus! We must reflect the nature and spirit of our Father! I just want to be like Jesus, in all that I do and God will help me. I want my attitude to be the same as that of Christ! And yes, it is not always easy, but... "I can do all things through Christ, who gives me strength!" (Philippians 4:13). Yes we can... "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31)

## *The Salvation Army has Very good policies, procedures, principles and processes in place. How do you envisage instilling these good ministry ethics to your team and beyond so that they are not side tracked and stay focused on the Mission?*

We hear a lot about "Corporate Governance". Some years ago the King I, II and King III reports on Corporate Governance in South Africa were issued, which gives impetus in the adhering to good ethical practices in the corporate sector, having good processes and structures to achieve its objectives. As a movement established by God through William Booth, The Salvation Army Southern Africa territory is committed to good governance. We have an obligation to be accountable and transparent towards all our stake holders – those we serve and those who are helping us through their donations to serve the marginalised. You said it very well that we have very good policies, procedures, principles and processes. I strongly advocate the adherence to these and our Orders and Regulations. I have always said it in many a forum, that when we do this we cannot go wrong. We have the tools within our organisation and these are good tools at our disposal. We do not need to go and borrow from others. Accountability and transparency will be key words for me. If we want The Salvation Army to achieve its God-given mandate and its objectives, then every leader at every level in every Salvation Army centre or unit in the territory, must adhere to the principles of good governance, which is enshrined in the Bible, our Orders and Regulations, policies, principles and procedures.

## *Which Bible character in the Old Testament would you like to spend time with?*

Nehemiah. I have an affinity with Nehemiah. I think Nehemiah can teach me all there is to be learned about Leadership! In this twenty first century, there are many a variety of leadership books by well-known authors and scholars on the market and there is not a scarcity of seminars and workshops on leadership, and they are all good, make no mistake, but century old Nehemiah leadership principles exceeds them all! I would love to "sit at the feet" of Nehemiah!



**Ephesians 3:8**

**Preach to the nations the BOUNDLESS riches of Christ!**

The 150th Anniversary Congress of the founding of The Salvation Army was held in London, UK, on 1-5 July 2015. Salvationists from 126 countries united under the theme, BOUNDLESS: The Whole World Redeeming. This theme comes from the pen of General William Booth, who wrote the words to what we affectionately call The Founder's Song:

*O boundless salvation, deep ocean of love;  
O fullness of mercy,  
Christ brought from above.  
The whole world redeeming,  
so rich and so free;  
Now flowing for all men,  
come roll over me!*

Ephesians 3:8, admonishes us to 'Preach to the nations the boundless riches of Christ!' And the nations will gather from the four corners of the earth in the East End of London to observe this historic event. The Congress commemorated the past accomplishments of The Army, which has seen the Gospel taken to 126 countries. It was also celebrated what God is doing in and through The Salvation Army today and it will innovate for the future, spurring us on to even greater things beyond the year 2015.





**MORE than 12,000 Salvationists – many of them travelling from the international congress venue at The O2 – poured onto the streets of central London on Sunday 5 July, the final day of Boundless – The Whole World Redeeming.**

More than 2,500 participants – between them representing each of the 126 countries which have Salvation Army ministry – marched from Horse Guards Parade down The Mall, towards Buckingham Palace to take the salute from General André Cox, Commissioner Silvia Cox (World President of Women's Ministries), the Chief of the Staff (Commissioner William Roberts) and Commissioner Nancy Roberts (World Secretary for Women's Ministries). From there they headed to Constitution Hill, with the international leaders also marching from the event. The streets were lined with an additional 10,000 Salvationists, friends and members of the public cheering on the celebration.

Organised by Paul Gunnell, Assistant Events Manager for the United Kingdom Territory with the Republic of Ireland, the 45-minute march was led off by an International Headquarters (IHQ) contingent fronted by Commissioner William Cochrane (International Secretary to the Chief of the Staff).



Seven bands took part – the International Staff Band (ISB), Angola National Band, New York Staff Band, Chicago Staff Band, South America East Territorial Band, the Melbourne Staff Band and Regent Hall Band – as well as timbrelists, soldiers, adherent members and congress staff and volunteers.

‘In 1865, The Salvation Army was born on the streets of London,’ the General said. ‘It is entirely appropriate, then, that we should return to those streets to conclude our 150th anniversary celebrations. We have had a wonderful week of fellowship and worship at The O2 but now – as is our tradition – we want to share our joy and faith outside our own walls.’

Hundreds of people around the world were able to observe the march via a live webstream from IHQ's Periscope account ([sar.my/periscope](https://www.periscope.tv/sar.my/periscope)).

The Army has an extensive history of marching on the streets of London. Its members have marched during previous international congresses – including in 1978 and 1990 – as well as in 2011 for the ISB's 120th anniversary celebration.

Major Carol Horton from Australia was among those cheering on the festivities. ‘It's always really exciting to see,’ she said. ‘It reminds you of how vast the Army is.’

Lieutenant Hean Suk Choi, South Korea native and corps officer in the United Kingdom, likened the march to an open-air meeting. ‘It's our unique expression to the public to share with everyone the culture of The Salvation Army,’ she said.

Her husband, Lieutenant Kook Hwan Rho, added, ‘We have been given an opportunity to meet Salvationists from 126 countries, but we feel like there are no strangers. Everyone immediately felt like brothers and sisters.’

Major Russell Czajkowski, San Antonio (Texas) Area Commander from USA Southern Territory, said he was very impressed by the congress's offerings, particularly Session 7.

‘The General's message to submit ourselves was very inspirational,’ he said. ‘That was my favourite part of Boundless.’

Lieut-Colonel Seth Appeateng (Officer Commanding, Rwanda and Burundi Command) said, ‘Everything about the congress was fantastic. My spirit was moved. Now I'm going to call my people to go out onto the streets and share Jesus Christ.’

The General concluded: ‘The march marks the end of the anniversary celebrations but it is also a start – a launching point as members of God's Army return to their homes and neighbourhoods across the world, ready to continue serving God and mankind.’

## A Tribute to the Heroes

I am writing this article to express my sincere thanks to the ordinary people who worked selflessly to build the work of God and The Salvation Army in Mpumalanga, the then Eastern Transvaal. If it was not for the sacrifice they made and the commitment they had, we would not have what we have today in this great division. Most of these people who contributed and worked tirelessly are in glory, but we are so grateful to God that they left us with such a great legacy. Despite the challenging and trying times, they did not give up. What I am today, I owe it to these heroes and I salute them wherever they are.



Colonel Hezekiel  
N Mavundla ®

In this article I want to share about the work of the four heroes, Envoys Shimungana John Themba (Steenbok), Josia Mndebele (Esikhwameni now known as Themba Memorial Corps), James Sambo (Steenbok) and Makawosi Luka Shabangu (Emangweni Corps). As a young boy in my home corps Barberton, I saw these great people in action. They had no formal education nor training experience. But with God on their side they became the instruments by which Christ's message was carried to many places in the then Eastern Transvaal and beyond. I can count many highly educated people who were converted and became faithful soldiers of the Army through the leadership and ministry of these ordinary men. This happened because they were empowered by the Holy Spirit. "God chose what the world looks down on and despises, and thinks is nothing, in order to destroy what the world thinks is important" (1 Cor. 1:26-29 GNB).

John MacArthur the writer of the book 'Twelve Ordinary Men' puts it clearly when he talks about the disciple of Jesus, "Not one of them was renowned for scholarship. They had no track record as orators or theologians. In fact, they were outsiders as far as the religious establishment of Jesus' day was concerned. They were not outstanding because of any natural talents or intellectual abilities. On the contrary, they were all too prone to mistakes, wrong attitudes, lapses of faith, and bitter failure." These are the twelve men who were equipped by the Holy Spirit to build the Church after Jesus had gone.

I believe that the same happened to these great warriors I am talking about. Their secret was that they were not working alone but their lives were guided and directed by God himself. Despite the challenging times, they pressed on. Despite their shortcomings, many lives were transformed. They worked without any remuneration but never complained. They opened their homes as places of worship. Children would come and play in their homes, they would never chase them away, instead they provided food, water and shelter for them. Whatever they had they shared it with The Salvation Army.

Envoy Themba, as a young man, left his home to look for work in Johannesburg where he was employed as a domestic worker. One Sunday morning he heard The Salvation Army band playing in one of the open air meetings. This is where he offered his life to Jesus and later was made a soldier in the then African Central corps in Mooi Street. Since he could not write and read, he attended the night schools and from there onward he was able to read his Bible and to write letters to his family. After sometime he decided to return home. When he arrived home his family excepted that he would bring gifts and money that would change their lives for better. But instead Shimungana brought home Bibles and books which were going

to help him start the work of The Salvation Army in his home village. This was the beginning of great things and the three men and their wives joined him in laying the solid foundation.

Most of the time when Mirriam and I were on furlough we would visit the Envoys and they would share many interesting stories with us. At the same time giving us words of wisdom and encouragement. Envoy Sambo once told us how they travelled with bicycles from Komatipoort to Swaziland, Ermelo and as far as Lydenburg which is now called Mashishing collecting for The Salvation Army the then General and Social Appeal. Wherever they went they made sure that they communicated the good news of the gospel to the people they meet. This is how the work was spread to many places. As they went to different places they did not have proper or arranged accommodation, they would sleep in someone's garage or in any shelter and the next morning they would continue with their work for the Army they loved.

During Youth Councils these old men would come with their young people to Emangweni from Steenbok and Themba Memorial. Those days there was no transport, they would walk and as they walk, they would be singing and beating the drum. They will be leading their young people with great joy and enthusiasm.

Envoy Mndebele once told us how the work was nearly closed down because some of the leaders from Johannesburg felt that the work was not growing as it was expected. The decision was taken that the work will be closed down. In his response the Envoy said, "You can take your books and other things but we will continue with the work of God in this area. Our homes will be opened for people to come and worship. We shall go out in the streets to proclaim the message of the risen Christ and God will honour his work". Words of faith and courage, indeed God honoured his work. Today the Army is still growing from strength to strength, this is because of the man who had faith in God. The first Army hall in that area was built at Emangweni under the leadership of Envoy Shabangu and from there onward the work spread to many places.

It was through these men that many young men and women were sent to the Training College to be trained as officers of The Salvation Army. The Envoys were aware that proper training was going to sustain the work and also equip the workers for the service of God.

I can write many pages about these heroes of faith. Trust you have been inspired and encouraged by their stories. May the Spirit of Christ who taught them transform us the way he transformed them, into precious vessels fit for the Master's service. May we learn from their example what it means to be true disciples of Jesus and people filled and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Siyabonga maqhawe eVangeli! Thank you our pioneers, veterans and heroes. May we all who are working in the Lord's vineyard remember the words of Prophet Zechariah "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, says the Lord Almighty" (Zechariah 4:6). It is only the Holy Spirit that can help us to do what God wants us to do.



# God's Boundless Mercy and Grace

## Introduction

The Boundless 2015 congress is over and although I was unable to attend I followed diligently online most of the significant meetings. I was particularly moved and inspired by the spirited message of the General on Sunday and felt challenged, as most Salvationists, to live a practical Christian life. We have been challenged to become one with the poor and needy, the destitute and those who are hurting; do something in fulfilling the Great Commission of God. I believe that this boundless experience has shaped The Salvation Army back to reality; back to the future. I have been challenged earnestly to live and preach the Gospel message. I am committed and seeking to live a Holy Life acceptable to God, in His service.

Throughout the Congress and in conversations, the song of the founder William Booth resonates loudly around The Army world. I believe that when William Booth wrote these verses, he was caught up in a moment/vision. It was a special moment when God inspired him to pen these words of the song which has become an anthem in The Salvation Army. I purposely for this article would like to focus on two theological truths clearly stated his song. That is, God's Boundless Mercy and Grace.

### 1. William Booth speaks of God's redemption and deliverance

We often speak of God's enabling grace and mercy. We would usually quote 2 Corinthians 12:9b 'My Grace is sufficient for you.' But we often use both grace and mercy interchangeably. William Booth speaks of God's mercy:

*"O ocean of mercy, oft longing I've stood...  
The tide is now flowing, I'm touching the wave,  
I hear the loud call of the Mighty to Save;  
My faith's growing bolder, delivered I'll be;"*

Recognising that humanity is undeserving of God's grace and mercy; the founder believes that God's intention is to save humanity from sin and hell. He visualises a mighty Army rescuing the perishing and leading lost humanity to the light house....a place of redemption and deliverance; a place where the mercy and grace of God is sufficient to transform lives of despair into a life which leads into eternal happiness. Booth visualizes an Army forever on its knees seeking to be Holy as God is Holy; an undaunted Army marching on to war with the Sword of truth as its standard bearer (Blood and Fire!!!)

### 2. William Booth speaks of an Army totally reliable on God for a life-changing experience

I love the line of the verse that speaks of:

*"O ocean of mercy, oft longing I've stood...  
The tide is now flowing, I'm touching the wave,  
I hear the loud call of the Mighty to Save;  
My faith's growing bolder, delivered I'll be;"*

William Booth believed that God will deliver and redeem all humanity who will respond by repenting of their sins. The founder knows that we



Major  
Kervin Harry

do not deserve God's grace and mercy but because God is merciful He will save us from sin and hell. The Word of God in Ephesians 2:8-9 reminds us, 'For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast'.

William Booth believes that all Salvationists are called to rescue the perishing. He believes that The Army is a vehicle to be used by God to help bring lost humanity to the point of receiving God's mercy and grace. An Army being defiant in the face of the enemy of our souls; against injustice, against poverty and many ills in our society today. Did the founder see into the future? Did he experience an epiphany? Well he could not have known that there would have been ruthless wars, barbaric acts of terrorism and the types of violence and crimes

pervading many societies today in the 21st century. But his song seems to have looked into the future.

### 3. William Booth's charged to all Salvationists

The Founder not only highlighted the need for God's grace and mercy for sinners; Booth charged all Salvationist in his song to experience God's cleansing blood. "Beneath thy blest billows deliverance I see, O come, mighty ocean, and roll over me!" The founder is saying that God's mercy is life-giving. God's mercy is soul-cleansing. We all tend to carry burdens through life. Extra baggage that weighs us down. God's mercy provides a way for us to unload our baggage. Hebrews 10:1-2 speaks of Jesus' sacrifice that cleanses us once and for all. Jesus' sacrifice, such atonement cleanses us of the shame of sin. The mighty ocean flowing and rolling over us is the Holiness of God completely covering us. Without this complete covering we will not be cleansed. As Salvationists, the Holiness of God must flow out of us affecting lives we influence. 2 Peter 1:3-9 reminds us that Holy living flows out of us who having been cleansed by God. We must grow in Holiness through our awareness of God who has cleansed us from our sins.

### 4. The Whole World Being redeemed

The finally:

*"And now, hallelujah! The rest of my days  
Shall gladly be spent in promoting his praise  
Who opened his bosom to pour out this sea  
Of boundless salvation for you and for me."*

The founder is saying that a new experience of redemption and a new life in Christ demands a natural response of praise and worship. A born again Christian is not to become just another spectator, but should be excited and overjoyed, eager to spread the gospel so that others can have that same experience of God's boundless love; God's Boundless Salvation.

So the Founder's song calls all Salvationists into action.

I believed that the BOUNDLESS 2015 experience challenges all Salvationists to be active in fulfilling the Great Commission.

## AUGUST

- 2 OWSOMS Ingathering
- 9 National Women's Day (Public Holiday)
- 10 Public Holiday
- 15-16 MASIC
- 15-17 Candidate's Fellowship Weekend (Mid KZN Division)
- 15-19 Mpumalanga & Swaziland Divisional Review (Sec for Prog/Assist Pers Sec & Sec Pers/TCCMS)
- 19-23 Candidates Assessment Conference
- 21-24 Officers' Retreat (Western Cape Division)
- 29 Territorial Men's Rally
- 28-30 Territorial Home League Rally (Johannesburg)

## SEPTEMBER

- 6 Youth Sunday (3rd)
- 12-15 Eastern Cape Divisional Review (Postponed)
- 13 Installation of TC/TSWM by General A Cox - Durban
- 20 Outreach Sunday (3rd)
- 24 Heritage Day (Public Holiday)
- 27 Decision Sunday (3rd)
- 27 Annual Day of Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking

## Territorial News

Mid KZN Division  
- Durban Central Corps



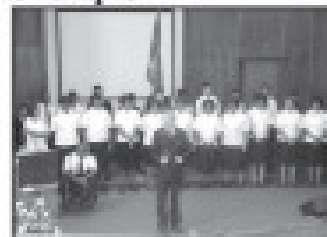
Left: The public continue to give support to the corps, to enable them to extend their help to the community. Every week people come to seek help at Durban Central corps. Recently Shoprite Checkers gave donation to the corps.

Right: In the recent Xenophobic attacks, the Mid KZN Divisional Emergency Relief team played a very important role in support of the displaced foreign nationals. The team visited the three camps in which these people were sheltered with various kind of donations ranging from food, blankets, hygiene and sanitation, etc.

Mid KZN Division  
- Divisional Emergency Disaster Relief Team



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## The Salvation Army's Positional Statement on Human Trafficking

The Salvation Army believes that all people are made in the image of God and that each person in the eyes of God has equal worth and dignity. It has from its inception applied Biblical principles to the moral and social challenges experienced by humanity and society, believing that the liberating message of Jesus Christ meets the total need of humankind.

With this in mind, The Salvation Army rejects Human Trafficking as it refers to the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons, by means of threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, abduction, fraud, deception and abuse of power for the purpose of sexual exploitation or forced labour. Trafficking may involve slavery or servitude in any industry, such as forced or coerced participation in agriculture, manufacturing, prostitution and other commercial sex industries, domestic servitude or servile marriages. This also refers to the unlawful removal of organs.

In cooperation with other agencies, The Salvation Army acknowledges its Christian responsibility to be actively engaged in the prevention of human trafficking, the protection of the victims (especially the children) and the lawful prosecution of the perpetrators. Recognizing that the fight against Human Trafficking is closely linked with the fight for social justice, The Salvation Army will continue to address the underlying issues rooted in poverty, unemployment, gender inequality and inadequate education.



*References: Romans 13: 8-10; Zechariah 7: 9-10; Genesis 1: 27; Malachi 6: 8; 1 Peter 1: 13-16; 1 John 10: 10.*



### Central Division-Gauteng AHT Workshop



Theory put into practice. Door to Door and one on one awareness raising within Mofolo Community in Soweto



### Western Cape AHT Workshop



Discussion and Group work

### Anti-Human Trafficking Lessons learned put into Practice in the Mid KZN

Awareness at Bridgeview Primary School  
(Staff members below)



Mrs Ann Kean the Principal gave us a school badge as a present



## My Personal Testimony

Life is a journey full of mysteries and surprises which sometimes bring challenges and trails that test whether we are made of steel or not! They also teach us who the source and pillar of strength and power is, especially when times are dark and we are about to give up everything we have dreamt of in life.

I went through an experience like this (which you might also be facing right now or have faced before) but I overcame all the challenges that came my way, by changing the way I think and understanding that God has created me as a unique person, different from others.

I tried for Officers Training College four times over eight years but still, many doors seemed closed to me. There was a scripture that kept me going - Psalm 27: 14 "Wait for the Lord, be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord". This scripture helped me to persevere, even if it was not easy. My personal testimony is all about "Never giving up". Then, as an Officer studying towards my BTh at STATS, I also went through difficulties like internet access problems, power black-outs,



Captain Sarah Sebothoma

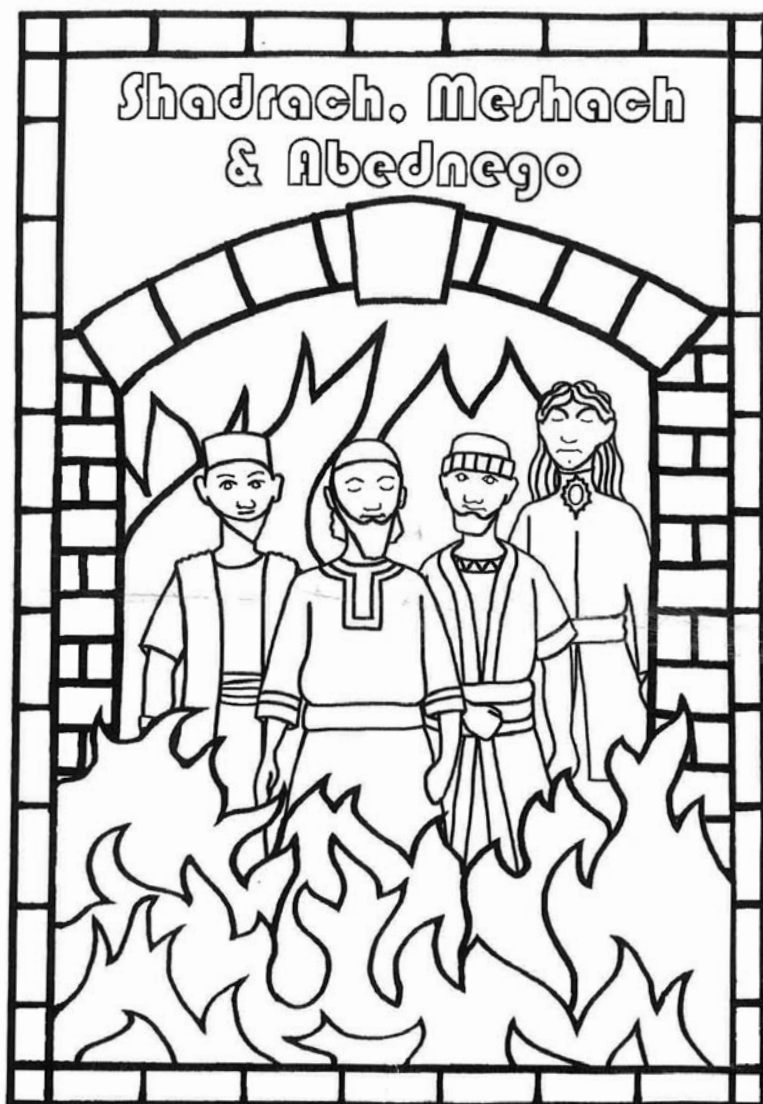
finding some prescribed text books, working long hours in Corps appointments and studying nights. But, I flew high like an eagle despite all of these challenges! Although it has taken me six years to complete my degree, I have now graduated!

There are many people that God sent to me who encouraged and helped me to obtain my BTh like Major Frankie Burgoyne when I started, Captain Colleen Huke who carried on, and my husband who was always there for me.

The scripture that continues to encourage me is Galatians 6:9 "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up". If you can trust God and yourself even when everyone doubts you, the earth is your and everything in it.

*Note: Captain Sarah Sebothoma, is currently serving in an international appointment as Corps Officer of the Gaborone Corps, Botswana, Matebeland Division in Zimbabwe.*

Colour in



## The Three Faithful Men

*Memory verse Daniel 3:28 (NIV)*

Then Nebuchadnezzar said:

"Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants!

They trusted in him and defied the king's command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God."



# Gazette

## APPOINTMENTS

### Installation of the Territorial Commander and Territorial President for Women's Ministries

Word has been received from IHQ that the Installation and Welcome of the Territorial Commander and Territorial President for Women's Ministries will be conducted by The General and Commissioner Silvia Cox on 13 September 2015.

*The following appointment changes effective 1 August 2015*

**Major Naomi Malinga** (Assistant to Programme Secretary / Statistics Officer) is appointment Corps Officer of Madadeni and Newcastle Corps in the Northern Kwa-Zulu Natal Division.

**Captain Magdeline Phore** (Children's Ministries Secretary & Territorial Child Sponsorship Secretary) is appointed as Child Sponsorship and Statistics Officer.

**Captain Sengeziwe Nhandara** (Assistant Territorial Youth Secretary) is appointed as Children Ministries Secretary, in addition to her current appointment as assistant TYS.

**Majors Henry & Martha Maxase** (Kathehong Corps) are appointed as Officers in charge of Mountain View Ministries (Mountain View Hospital/Boys Hostel/William Booth Corps) in the Northern Kwa-Zulu Natal Division.

**Majors Bethuel & Thelma Zondo** (Retired) are deployed as Corps Officers of Katlehong Corps in the Central Division.

**Captains Anderson & Constance Mbane** (Barberton Corps) are appointed Corps Officers of Mangaung, Community Day Care Centre, Maseru and Thaba Nchu Circuit in the Central Division.

**Aux-Captain Alexina Motaung** (Madadeni Corps) is appointed Corps Officer of Barberton Corps in the Mpumalanga & Swaziland Division.

**Lieutenant Phumla Dladla** (Inkonisa Corps) is appointed Corps Officer of Esibhoweni Circuit in the Eastern Kwa-Zulu Natal Division, following her marriage with Captain Collen Mashaba on the 18th of July 2015.

**Majors Shadrack & Rosannah Ntshangase** (Divisional Commander & Divisional Director of Women's Ministries Central Division) are appointed Corps Officers to Namibia Ministries in the Western Cape Division.

**Lieut. Colonels Clever & Defina Kamambo** (Officers from Zimbabwe Territory serving in Nigeria as Territorial Secretary for Business Administration and Territorial League of Mercy / Grace Family Secretary in Nigeria) are appointed as Divisional Commander & Divisional Director of Women's Ministries in the Central Division.

**Captains Robert & Felicia Hendricks** (Namibia Ministries) retired from active service effective 30 June 2015.

*The following international appointment changes effective 1 November 2015*

**Commissioner Brian Peddle**, an officer of the Canada and Bermuda Territory currently serving as International Secretary for the Americas and Caribbean, is appointed as Chief of the Staff.

**Commissioner Rosalie Peddle**, also from the Canada and Bermuda Territory and currently serving as Zonal Secretary for Women's Ministries, Americas and Caribbean Zone, is appointed as World Secretary for Women's Ministries.

*The following appointment changes effective 7 January 2016*

**Lieut. Colonel Fikile Khoza** (Community Care Ministries Secretary) is appointed Territorial Candidate Secretary in addition to her current appointment as Community Care Ministries Secretary.

**Major Grace Mhlongo** (Themabela Corps) is appointed Corps Officer of Tladi Corps in the Central Division.

**Major Faith Hadebe** (Gauteng Corps) is appointed as

Administrator of Carl Sithole Centre in the Central Division.

Gauteng Corps Officers to be announced later.

**Captain Darren Huke** (Territorial Candidate Secretary and Strategic Plan Coordinator) is appointed Corps Officer of Johannesburg City Corps in the Central Division.

**Captain Colleen Huke** (Extension Training Officer) is appointed Corps Officer of Johannesburg City Corps in the Central Division.

**Captain Antony Palmer** (Mitchells Plain Corps and Nursery School, Western Cape Division) is appointed Extension Training Officer at Territorial Headquarters.

**Captain Nobonga Zulu** (Ezakheni Corps, Northern KwaZulu-Natal Division) is appointed Corps Officer of Ulundi Corps in the Northern KwaZulu-Natal Division.

**Lieutenants Siyabonga & Khanyisile Mcineka** (Khambi Corps & Divisional Youth Officers, Northern KwaZulu-Natal Division) are appointed Corps Officers of Ezakheni Corps and Divisional Youth Officers in the Northern KwaZulu-Natal Division.

**Lieutenant Zama Shelembe** (Ulundi Corps, Northern KwaZulu-Natal Division) is appointed Corps Officer of Khambi Corps in the Northern KwaZulu-Natal Division.

**Major Dominica Sesedi** (Imbali Corps, Mid KwaZulu-Natal Division) is appointed Divisional Community Care Ministries Secretary in the Mid KwaZulu-Natal Division in addition to her current appointment as Corps Officer of Imbali Corps.

**Captains Brendan & Leanne Browski** (Johannesburg City Corps) are appointed Divisional Commander and Divisional Director of Women's Ministries of Mpumalanga & Swaziland Division.

**Majors Herbert & Elizabeth Ngcobo** (Divisional Commander & Divisional Director of Women's Ministries Mpumalanga & Swaziland Division) are appointed as Divisional Commander & Divisional Director of Women's Ministries in the Limpopo Division.

**Majors Albert & Peggy Shekwa** Divisional Commander and Divisional Director of Women's Ministries Eastern Kwazulu-Natal Division will be entering retirement on the 31st December 2015.

**Majors Thomas & Doris Dlamini** (Divisional Commander & Divisional Director of Women's Ministries Limpopo Division) are appointed as Divisional Commander & Divisional Director of Women's Ministries in the Eastern KwaZulu-Natal Division.

**Majors Solomon & Mercy Mahlangu** (Divisional Commander & Divisional Director of Women's Ministries Mid KwaZulu-Natal Division) are appointed as Territorial Secretary for Programme & Social Programme Secretary at Territorial Headquarters with promotion to the rank of Lieut. Colonels.

**Majors Luka & Rasoa Khayumbi** (Territorial Secretary for Programme & Assistant Secretary for Personnel) will be returning to their Home Territory on the 31st of December 2015.

## BEREAVEMENT

**Major David Mhlanga** ® was Promoted to Glory on 2 July 2015.

Captain Moses Nangwala's father was Promoted to Glory on 4 July 2015.

Major Rosannah Ntshangase's mother was Promoted to Glory on 25 June 2015.

**Major Grace Ntuli** ® was Promoted to Glory on 24 May 2015.

Major Josias Zondo's mother was Promoted to Glory.

Brigadier Lizzie Lulongwane's son was Promoted to Glory on 8 July 2015.

Major Mary Sithole's ® son was Promoted to Glory on 20 July 2015.

**Major Joan Stevenson** ® was Promoted to Glory on 22 July 2015.



**THERE was a buzz of anticipation as Salvationists packed into The O2 arena for the seventh – and final – session of Boundless 2015. Contributions by the International Staff Band (ISB), International Staff Songsters (ISS) and Mannssambandet prepared the way for worship with an emphasis on the Holy Spirit, further enhanced by multimedia, dance and vocal soloist Ayoung Lee with ‘Send the Fire’.**

The screens displayed an international Army at prayer, and the sound of prayer continued as three delegates prayed in their respective languages before the Chief of the Staff (Commissioner William A. Roberts) drew the prayers together and asked God to ‘help us to listen’ and ‘help us to respond’.

In a spirit of worship, Vasa Gospel choir sang with energy and sincerity ‘Great Is the Lord’. Ayoung Lee then started to sing the great hymn ‘Holy, Holy, Holy’ and was joined by a virtual choir of Salvationists from around the world whose individual images – supplied online – appeared on the screens. The virtual choir was swelled by the capacity congregation in the arena to create a great paean. Congress-goers were left in no doubt about the great universal company of Salvationists who were also praising God with them at that time.

General André Cox introduced William Flinn, of Pasadena Tabernacle Corps in the USA Western Territory, whose service has included many years of music leadership. He is the first soldier to be inducted onto the National Advisory Board of America and, in his role as President of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses, his witness is known. His service exemplifies the spirit of Christian excellence in spreading the gospel message, and the General admitted him to the Order of the Founder, the highest Salvation Army award.

The General then told the congregation that in this anniversary year it was right that recognition should be given to a UK Salvationist. He invited Divisional Envoy Iris Jones (Murton) to join him, saying: ‘She has led the corps with strength of will, determination and almost single-handedly for 30 years, maintaining a busy schedule of activities including public house ministry three evenings a week. She continues to look at new ways to make the gospel attractive and relevant.’ During this time she has not been paid an allowance or salary of any kind. For her ministry of sacrificial service and continued Kingdom impact, the General admitted Iris Jones to the Order of the Founder.

Selected Scripture was spoken in various languages before the ISB contributed ‘The Kingdom Triumphant’ with the powerful reminder of the song ‘Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending’.

The Bill Booth Theater Company focused on the subject of integrity in their sketch ‘Hold it Up to the Light’. Using the example of a cracked pot being presented as perfect, the question was asked: ‘If your life and heart were held up to the light would there be cracks?’ The sketch concluded with the thought that God flows through the broken places to others.

A multimedia display depicted the General’s dream for the Army, on which the main congress sessions were based, after which people were asked to consider what they needed to do to make the ideas of the dream a reality.

‘What has this celebration been all about?’ asked the General, and ‘What is going to change? What is God calling you to do?’ He said the dream will only become a reality when lives are transformed by the Holy Spirit and that holiness is the visible sign of salvation.

‘We must be totally committed and dedicated to the task assigned to us,’ he said. ‘If we’re convinced of our call we will live lives fully surrendered to God. Our worship needs to be more than speaking or listening to God. It must be about total surrender. We need a sense of urgency in a world where there is so much injustice and need.’

He then referred to Vachel Lindsay’s poem ‘General William Booth Enters Into Heaven’ with its images of people washed in the blood and the Army at war against darkness and despair, saying: ‘This is something that must engage every one of us. I fear we have become comfortable, contented and settled and detached from the reality of world suffering.’

He reminded everyone: ‘All have sinned – this was why God sent us a Saviour. Too many people are living in poverty and exclusion, too many are lonely.’ Referring to the vision of William Booth depicted in the iconic ‘Darkest England’ poster, he said: ‘We see Salvationists manning the lifeboats and rescuing those in the seas ... We are still an Army that rescues those who are damaged by life ... Our lives can point people to Christ ... All our programmes are but a gateway to the hearts and minds of people.’

The General went on to remind listeners that there are no limits to what God can do in individual lives. ‘This is boundless salvation,’ he said. ‘A total surrender of our lives and the total commitment to the mission.’ These challenging words were followed by the ISS with ‘Bow the Knee’.

The Chief reminded listeners of the General’s call to action and asked: ‘What is God saying to you right now?’ Many people engaged in prayerful moments of commitment, some moving forward to kneel at the cross-shaped mercy seat. In leading ‘O Boundless Salvation!’ the Chief asked that this song might take on a new or fresher meaning.

The finale delivered a focus on God’s Kingdom with ‘They Shall Come from the East, They Shall Come from the West’. Participants were clad in white versions of international clothes as, with special effects and even circus-style acrobatics, Boundless 2015 was brought to a fitting and spectacular conclusion.

Earlier the General had acknowledged the roles played in organising the congress by Commissioner William Cochrane (International Secretary to the Chief of the Staff), Lieut-Colonels Eddie and Kathy Hobgood and all the technicians who made the theme of Boundless a reality.

Commissioner Cochrane closed the session – and the congress – with a benediction assigning all the glory to God.





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**WILLIAM BOOTH**  
FOUNDER & 1<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL OF  
THE SALVATION ARMY  
BORN 1829  
BORN AGAIN OF THE SPIRIT 1845  
FOUNDED THE SALVATION ARMY 1865  
WENT TO HEAVEN 20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 1912  
ALSO  
**CATHERINE BOOTH**  
1<sup>ST</sup> MOTHER OF THE SALVATION ARMY  
BORN 1829  
WENT TO HEAVEN 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 1912



# Bible Reading Challenge



## Sign Up Now for Bible-Reading Challenge Emails

The Whole World Reading, Salvationists and friends are encouraged to sign up for weekly emails that will help to keep them on track throughout the year-long international Bible-reading challenge. In order to read through the whole New Testament, one chapter a day, readings are scheduled from Monday to Friday. Emails will be sent out every Sunday, and will contain extra content from writers and others who are involved in the challenge. They will consider what has been studied over the previous week and will include a reminder of the readings that are scheduled for the following days.

Set aside a few minutes every day to read these life-changing words, to ponder them, to pray about what they mean in your own local, national and

international context and for us as a potent Salvation Army'.

Sign up for the emails today at [sar.my/bibleemail](http://sar.my/bibleemail)

As announced previously, supporting material – including commentary and video material – will be available on [www.salvationarmy.org/biblechallenge](http://www.salvationarmy.org/biblechallenge) and through smartphone apps (see [sar.my/bibleapp](http://sar.my/bibleapp) for details). Participants can follow @BoundlessBible on Twitter for daily tweets, offer insights and discussion points using the hashtag #BoundlessBible and interact online through the daily posts on the website – which has its own discussion facility – or via the IHQ Facebook Page.

Report from IHQ Communications

### WEEK 31 Commencing 3 August

#### 2 Corinthians 2 Paul describes Christians as 'an aroma of Christ'

To those who want to hear the gospel and to those who don't, are you aware of spiritual 'smell' (v 15)?

#### 2 Corinthians 3 Lives that reflect the glory of the Lord

If your life does not reflect the Lord's glory, what impact could that have upon others (v 18)?

#### 2 Corinthians 4 'We fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen'

Do you believe you will be resurrected? On what do you base your belief (v 14)?

How can you fix your eyes of what is unseen (v 18)?

#### 2 Corinthians 5 God reconciles himself to the world through Christ

In what ways can our present bodies be compared to tents (v 1-4)?

Although salvation may be by faith alone, does verse 10 indicate that works will also be judged?

Are you Christ's ambassador with the message of being reconciled to him (v 20)?

#### 2 Corinthians 6 'What fellowship can light have with darkness?' (v 14)

Who is it that Paul is telling Christians not to have fellowship with, and in what context - marriage, friendship (vv 14-18)?

Does he mean in the Church or interfaith?

### WEEK 32 Commencing 10 August

#### 2 Corinthians 7 Paul is encouraged by the response to his previous letter

What sort of things today may have the ability to 'contaminate body and spirit' in your life (v 1)?

How would you explain the difference between 'godly sorrow' and 'worldly sorrow' (v 10)?

#### 2 Corinthians 8 The Church in Corinth is urged to excel in the grace of giving

With regard to your financial giving, what does verse 12 mean?

Who is this 'brother' (v 18)? Has Paul deliberately not named him and, if so, why?

#### 2 Corinthians 9 God loves a cheerful giver

An important verse in what can sometimes be a sensitive topic - money (v 7)?

How much do you give? Do you give cheerfully or reluctantly? Do you reassess your giving from time to time? Does your giving reflect the importance you attach to God's work?

This verse implies that God is not only aware of how much you give but also your attitude towards giving. Do you give because it's expected, needed, instructed, out of obedience - or something of each?

#### 2 Corinthians 10 Paul defends his ministry

Have you ever stopped and taken time to seriously think about the Lord's commendation for you (v 18)?

#### 2 Corinthians 11 Paul warn the church about false teachers

What does the term 'angels of light' in verse 14 mean (vv 1-15)?

Is it possible that there are people 'masquerading' as Christian teachers and preachers in your community who are actually 'false apostles' and 'deceitful workers'? If so, what can you do to guard against this, protect yourself and proclaim the truth?

### WEEK 33 Commencing 17 August

#### 2 Corinthians 12 Paul talks about the 'thorn in his flesh' and God's grace

Paul thinks it is possible for a person to be transported (by God) from earth to Heaven (v 1-4). Is this a helpful affirmation of the plausibility of a future rapture of the Church?

Do you have any idea what Paul's thorn in the flesh might be (v 7)?

Why was Paul given this thorn in the flesh? Could this be reason why sometimes we have permanent irritations or obstacles in our lives?

#### 2 Corinthians 13 Paul gives final warnings, and then greetings

Sound advice for Christians - aim for perfection; listen to Scripture's appeal; be of one mind; live in peace (v 11).

#### Galatians 1 The churches in Galatia are accused of entertaining false doctrine

These sound like strong words, perhaps reflecting their importance (v 6-9). Can we afford to take them any more lightly 2,000 years later?

#### Galatians 2 Gentiles should not have to follow Jewish customs

Is this the same revelation that Paul referred to in 2 Corinthians chapter 12 (v 1,2)?

Does knowing the flaws of some of the great apostles help add to Scripture's reliability and authenticity (v 11-14)?

#### Galatians 3 Salvation comes by faith, not through observing the law

Do you know people who say they hope they are good enough to be saved (to get to Heaven)?

Do you ever take time to consider that God loves you regardless of how faithful and obedient you are?

Is it tempting to think that salvation can be earned through being good Christians?

Why is it important to recognise that our effort cannot help earn our salvation?

Salvation comes by grace through faith alone. Although this is true, can it be a difficult doctrine to accept?

### WEEK 34 Commencing 24 August

#### Galatians 4 Paul is concerned for the Galatians

Is this further evidence that the thorn in the flesh referred to in 2 Corinthians chapter 12 was his bad eyesight (v 15)? Could this be a result of being blinded when first called (see Acts chapter 9)?

Paul talks about the reality of backsliding - losing the joy of holiness and turning away from salvation (vv 8-20). Is it possible for us to backslide today?

#### Galatians 5 Paul speaks about freedom in Christ

The gospel of Christ is based on being saved by grace through faith in Jesus (vv 1-6). Circumcision was a sign of turning away from faith and relying on the Jewish law instead. Paul argues that such rituals are unnecessary. Are there any rituals today that we may be tempted to feel are necessary to being a Christian?

Can you memorise the nine fruit of the Holy Spirit which we should each be cultivating in our lives (vv 22, 23)?

#### Galatians 6 'God cannot be mocked'

Is verse 11 further evidence that Paul's eyesight was particularly bad (see also Galatians 4:15)?



Do you find verses 7-9 reassuring when considering justice within the world? Do you think we 'reap what we sow' immediately, in God's time, or in eternity?

**Ephesians 1 Paul gives thanks to God for the Ephesian believers**

In verse 13 Paul says we have the Holy Spirit and in verse 17 he is praying for the Spirit to be given. How would you reconcile these verses? In what sense is the Church the 'Body' of Christ (v 22, 23)?

**Ephesians 2 Saved by grace, not by works**

How are we saved (v 8)?

Do rituals, ceremonies, good deeds, church attendance and loyalty to corps sections save us (v 9)?

As Christians with the promise of eternal through faith in Christ, can we sit back and not worry about our behaviour (v 10)?

**WEEK 35 Commencing 31 August**

**Ephesians 3 Through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence' (v 12)**

To what extent do we believe this, practice it, and tell others about it?

**Ephesians 4 Paul speaks about unity in the Body of Christ**

What is the 'one baptism' (v 4, 5)? Is it more about a united confession of our belief in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, rather than the means by which that baptism is made?

In what way have you grown in your knowledge and understanding of God and Scripture in the past year (v 11-16)?

Are there any elements here that need to be eradicated from your life (v 29-32)?

**Ephesians 5 A short guide for holy living and a call for mutual respect within marriage**

Paul continues to describe requirements for living in holiness (v 1-7).

Can we use this teaching to help clean up our own behaviour? Or does it describe things that we try to justify?

Some people use this passage (v 21-33) to claim that Paul's teaching on marriage is sexist. Do you agree or is this an abuse of the text?

Does the text command mutual love and respect within marriage?

**Ephesians 6 Paul describes the spiritual armour needed for spiritual warfare**

Is there a devil (vv 10-18)? If there is, does he have power over us?

Why are we given 'armour' to wear? When was the last time that you deliberately checked your spiritual armour?

Who gives Paul the words to witness (v 19)?

**Philippians 1 Paul commends the Church at Philippi for their joy and prayers**

Do you understand Paul's feelings expressed in verse 21?

Have you ever had to stand up for the gospel in the face of opposition (v 27)? If so, what did you do? If not, what would you do?

**WEEK 36 Commencing 7 September**

**Philippians 2 'Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus' (v 5)**

Characteristics of holiness are listed in this chapter. How do you measure up?

**Philippians 3 Paul encourages the Church to press on in holiness**

Does it sound like living as a Christian is easy or something that needs working at (vv 13, 14)?

Was Paul teaching a Rapture theology (vv 20, 21)? (Dead and living Christians will be taken to Heaven at a time of God's choosing.)

**Philippians 4 The letter ends with exhortations, thanks and final greetings**

How is it possible to 'rejoice in the Lord always' (v 4)?

What is the link between 'anxious' (v 6) and 'peace' (v 7)?

**Colossians 1 Paul proclaims the supremacy of Jesus Christ**

Do verses 15-20 confirm that Jesus is God made flesh?

Who are 'the Lord's people' (v 26)?

**Colossians 2 Paul makes known the mystery of God**

The word 'sacrament' comes from the Latin *sacramentum* which was used to translate the Greek word *mysterion* from which we derive 'mystery' (v 2). What is the mystery of God according to Paul?

If we have accepted Jesus into our lives as Lord and Saviour, is it fair then to say that our lives should be sacramental as we reflect the likeness of Christ (the mystery of God)?

How deep and rooted is your faith? Are you attracted by alternative philosophies and beliefs (v 7, 8)?

**WEEK 37 Commencing 14 September**

**Colossians 3 Paul gives the Christians in Colossae guidelines for holiness**

How practical or relevant are these words (vv 18-21)? Are they only applicable to when the letter was written?

What would be the danger of taking these verses literally and without consideration to context, then and now?

Can a wife submit to her husband 'as is fitting in the Lord' (v 18), and in a way that is not an example of mere sexism?

Is it possible that the combination of mutual submission and love could actually be proposal for equality (vv 18, 19)?

**Colossians 4 Paul ends the letter with further instructions and final greetings**

Consider what interaction you may have with 'outsiders' (vv 5, 6). In s

what way can you 'conversations be always full of grace, seasoned with salt'? More information about Luke, the author of Gospel and Acts (v 14).

**1 Thessalonians 1 Paul, Silas and Timothy write their first letter to the Church in Thessalonica**

The people were waiting for 'Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath' (v 10).

**1 Thessalonians 2 Paul reminds the church of his last visit and his eagerness to visit again**

What is 'the word of God' (v 13)?

Do you think Paul believed that Satan is real (v 18)?

What do you believe, and why?

**1 Thessalonians 3 Paul congratulates the Thessalonians for their progress**

Who is 'the tempter' (v 5)?

What would be your weaknesses if the tempter were to attack you?

How can you guard against this?

**WEEK 38 Commencing 21 September**

**1 Thessalonians 4 Paul reminds the Thessalonians about the Resurrection and the Rapture**

Why do you think Paul refers to the dead as those who 'sleep' (v 13)?

'According to the Lord's word' (v 15). Is there any record of this? If not, can we presume that Jesus provided teaching on the Resurrection that is not recorded?

Are we led to believe that the 'dead' in Christ' have already been resurrected and are living in Heaven, or is this a future event (v 13-16)?

The Latin word for being 'caught up' is *raptus*, which is where the word 'rapture' comes from, when talking about our resurrection and being taken to Heaven (v 17).

What are the similarities between verses 13-18 and 1 Corinthians 15:51, 52? Some people believe that there will be a future event when God will resurrect those who have died trusting in Christ and take them to Heaven. This will be accompanied by the rapture of living believers into Heaven. Is there any other way of interpreting these verses?

**1 Thessalonians 5 The timing of the Day of the Lord is unknown; we are to be ready**

What do you think the 'day of the Lord' in verse 2 refers to? Sunday, the Rapture, the Resurrection, the second coming of Christ, or the last days before God's final judgement?

**2 Thessalonians 1 Paul gives thanks for the faith of his readers**

Is your love for others 'increasing' (v 3)?

**2 Thessalonians 2 Paul talks about a future 'lawless one' who will oppose God (vv 1-12)**

Do the 'man of lawlessness' (v 3) and the 'lawless one' (v 8) appear to be a literal person or a vague concept or symbol?

What is 'the truth' to which Paul is referring (v 13)?

**2 Thessalonians 3 Paul asks for prayer and warns against idleness**

Why do you think Paul wrote this (v 6)?

'Never tire of doing what is good' (v 13)!

What is Paul's advice to those who do not follow his teaching and why does he suggest it (v 15)?

**WEEK 39 Commencing 28 September**

**1 Timothy 1 Paul encourages Timothy to oppose false teachers**

If Timothy is being given authority to 'command certain people not to teach false doctrines' (v 3), does this mean that there was false teaching actually within the Church?

Is it possible for there to be teachers of false doctrines in the Church today? If so, are we to ignore it or confront it?

Is there any act mentioned in this list (v 9-11) which you would not consider to be a sin? If so, why?

Paul claims that he is a sinner saved through Christ (v 15-17). If he is the 'worst' and yet can be saved, what does this tell us about the other sins mentioned in verses 9-11?

**1 Timothy 2 Timothy receives instructions on attitudes to worship**

Is Paul demonstrating sexism or are these instructions (v 11-15) based on Jewish traditions and order in worship? Can these verses be reconciled to modern worship? Is Paul referring to the fact that Eve was an ancestor of Jesus Christ (v 15)?

**1 Timothy 3 Instructions for choosing overseers and deacons**

Do verse 1-13 describe you?

**1 Timothy 4 Timothy is encouraged to 'watch his life and doctrine closely' (v 16)**

Paul tells Timothy to train himself spiritually, just as he would physically (vv 7, 8). How is your spiritual 'fitness'? Has your stamina and strength improved in the past 12 months?

Do you ever dismiss the advice and teaching of those younger than you? What does verse 12 say?

Could your 'life and doctrine' be rephrased as 'holiness and belief' (v 16)?

Why does Paul think doctrine is so important? Is it important to you?

**1 Timothy 5 Final instructions on how to treat those within the fellowship of believers**

Do verses 1 and 2 accurately reflect your attitude to others?

How high a priority is the spiritual, physical and emotional welfare of your family and relatives (v 8)?

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