

Belfast Citadel Corps



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Songster Anniversary 6th / 7th March
led by
Lt. Cols Peter & Sylvia Dalziel

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FROM THE QUARTERS

Belfast Citadel Corps
Captains Michael J
& Lorraine Kinnear



This Anniversary to Awakening...

'The Lord will guide you always; He will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail' Isaiah 58: 11

What a heritage we have as the 1st Irish Corps. And how times have changed since The Salvation Army opened fire in Ireland back in 1880. Yet the mission remains the same, as our Territorial Mission Statement says; 'to save souls, grow saints and serve suffering humanity'.

Anniversaries are a good time to give thanks for what is past and to assess what the future holds. This is no less relevant for us at Belfast Citadel in our 130th Anniversary Year. We embark upon a year of celebration which commenced with a guest speaker Captain Hilary McClintock presenting the Word of the Lord to us and continues with our Songster Weekend led by Lieut-Colonels Peter & Sylvia Dalziel. Our Corps Anniversary itself is led by Lieut-Colonels George & Vera Pilkington who were instrumental in securing our current building.

I can now inform you that we have a new system of governance in place with the formation of a Corps Mission Council. We enjoy a refurbished hall in which to base our salvation efforts. How blessed we are with material resources with which to push forward the missionary work for which The Salvation Army was raised up!

Yet we also face the challenges of a 'sun-scorched land'. Society around us is clearly moving away from organised religion. People no longer see the need of Salvation. Christian morality is questioned by many. Belfast Citadel has an ageing congregation with which to push on the salvation war. And our constant prayer must be for the Lord to 'strengthen our frame'.

With our heritage and material resources we will move on into the future but let us not forget that our greatest resources are from Heaven and it is these resources to which we must drink in these days as we face the full force of the world's scorching. With the Lord's help we will be a well watered garden. So let us both individually and corporately take time to receive from the celestial spring.

Expressions of Thanks

My mother, Margaret Phillips was "Promoted to Glory" on Friday 15th January. She was married to my father Peter Phillips in the Citadel in October 1953. She was active in the songsters whilst in Belfast. Her dedication to the "army" was a lifelong commitment and she was still the Corps Secretary at Folkestone when she passed away.

I hope these few sketchy details will be of use as people who knew her will probably be very thin on the ground as she was 87 when she passed away, but she used to enjoy reading the Citadel Magazine which you used to send her. I'm sure she would be pleased to know that she was being thought of in Belfast at this sorry time.

Thanking you for keeping alive her link to a Corps she had fond memories of.

Peter Phillips (her son)



Dear Michael,

Attached is the photo from our lovely 'renewal' service. Thank you once again for allowing this to happen and for making our silver wedding celebrations so memorable. Phil's actions have caused quite a stir over here as no-one who knows him can believe he did what he did, and I am still in shock! Say hello to your lovely wife from us and thank her for her part too. The Bible reading was what we had at our wedding so that was most appropriate. I pray God's blessing on your work in lovely Belfast (I fell in love with it) and maybe we'll meet again, the Army world is not that big.

Once again, thank you,

(See photograph Page 8)

Jill Rogers

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Even me.

Lord I hear of showers of blessing	Love of God so pure and changeless,
Thou art scattering full and free	Blood of Christ so rich and free,
Showers, the thirsty land refreshing;	Grace of God so strong and boundless,
Let some showers fall on me,	Magnify them all in me
Even me.	Even me.

Elizabeth Codner (1824-1919)

Every Blessing,

Captains Michael & Lorraine Kinnear, Commanding Officers

Lunchtime Concert Series

We have now had three concerts in our series of Second Tuesday lunchtime concerts at the Hall running on the Second Tuesday of each month from 1.15 pm until 1.45 pm.

In November, four Students from Stranmillis University College performed solos on their chosen instruments. Works from Mozart to Gershwin were beautifully executed by individuals and the concert was brought to a toe-tapping conclusion with two movements from "Razzamajazz" presented as a recorder quartet.

During December, Nathan Power presented a Christmas thought using a brass quintet and the carol book. Nathan used the time to educate us on the early carol services and also more modern carols and Christmas songs.

January allowed us to build on the relationship that already exists between The Salvation Army and Botanic Primary School when members of the School informed us of the history surrounding the formation of the school and also some current experiences of being pupils at the School. Individual musical items including some flute, clarinet and brass music interweaved among the pupils telling us about the School.

The lunch time concert in February took the form of a review of the history of The Salvation Army Tune Book. This consisted of looking at 11 tunes found in the current 1987 edition of the tune book and putting them into historical context starting with "Ein' Feste Burg" (originally a Johann Sebastian Bach chorale) and finishing with "As high as the Sky" by John Larsson. A brass quartet helped with this short review.

Why not make a point of spending 30 minutes at our Hall on the second Tuesday of each month and enjoy some live music in a comfortable setting?

B/M John H Moore



The Songsters have continued to be consistent in their music ministry throughout the autumn season and were very pleased to be able to participate once again in the Social Services Campaign at Centenary House in November. There the Band and Songsters joined together to present a brief musical programme for the residents, and took the opportunity of sharing personal testimony and an insight into God's Word to conclude the evening.

We also received an invitation from Cooke Centenary Church and were warmly welcomed as we led their PWA Visitors' Night.

The coming months bring us further events to look forward to. An evening at Whitehead/Islandmagee Methodist Church, Kimberley Street Mission, and Finaghy Methodist will keep us focused on our music and the message which can be shared through it.

It is with some anticipation that we await the visit of Peter and Sylvia Dalziel and trust that God will in turn minister to us as we take a back seat and enjoy the music ministry they will bring.

*Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.*

S/L Jayne Moore

Seeds of Exclusion

On 6th November Captains attended the launch of the *Seeds of Exclusion Report* at Stormont compiled by The Salvation Army.

This report formulates years of research undertaken within Salvation Army Social Service Centres. This information was gathered from participating service users throughout the Ireland Division.

Similarities can be likened to William Booths *'In Darkest England and the Way Out'* as it confronts government and voluntary sector organisations with hard evidence of both the causes and consequences of social exclusion within society today. This report will also help to shape the future response to social need by The Salvation Army. If you would like a copy of this report please speak to the Captains.

From the Bandroom



The Band Weekend took place in November and featured cornet soloists Cathy, James and Thomas Fountain from Kettering. The skill and musicianship of these young people was clearly evident in their playing over the weekend in *'The Glorious Fountain, Rondo'* from the Dennis Wright Cornet Concerto and *'Concert Piece.'* The accompaniments were provided by Jayne Moore.

The Band contributed items such as the March, *'Mighty to Save,'* Tone Poem, *'Where Duty Calls,'* and *'Sound out the Proclamation.'* Besides providing the accompaniments to the songs and a piece of music in our Sunday evening meetings, the Band has been extremely busy during the month of December engaged in the Corps carolling effort. This year The Salvation Army experienced problems in obtaining permission for collecting whilst playing in Belfast City Centre however we managed to make alternative arrangements at very short notice and these worked out very well indeed.

During the month, the Band played in a few new venues for us including Belfast's Customs House for the Inland Revenue Carol service.

My thanks to every member of the Band who gave of their best during every week but particularly for the carolling effort.

During our practices we are looking at some new music for the Band with a view to presenting that in the coming months.

Thank you again for the practical and prayerful support that you give to us as a Band and I would ask that you would continue to do so.

B/M John H Moore

Corps Mission Council

We are delighted that Belfast Citadel Corps is forming a Corps Mission Council to advise and assist the Commanding Officers on matters concerning the progress and well-being of the Corps. This includes; evangelical outreach and soul-saving endeavours; spiritual life and fellowship; Corps growth; programme and events; work with young people; community service undertaken; budgeting; fund-raising; property matters and other general business of the Corps. This forum will enable a greater sharing of information with the Corps and Community as a whole.

The Pastoral Care Council (PCC) will continue to meet to discuss pastoral issues relating to the Corps and its members also sit on the Corps Mission Council. A full list of Corps Mission Council Members and meeting dates will be on the Notice-Board in the foyer area in due course.

Kids in Church

3-year-old Reese **A little boy was overheard praying:**
Our Father, Who does art in heaven, 'Lord, if you can't make me
Harold is His name. a better boy, don't worry about it.
Amen.' I'm having a real good time like I am.'

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One particular four-year-old prayed,
'And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who
put trash in our baskets.'

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After the christening of his baby brother in church,
Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car.
His father asked him three times what was wrong.
Finally, the boy replied,
'That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home,
And I wanted to stay with you guys.'

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A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin 5, & Ryan 3.
The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake.
Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson.
'If Jesus were sitting here, He would say,
'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.'
Kevin turned to his younger brother and said,
' Ryan , you be Jesus !'

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A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they
Were on the way to church service,
'And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?'
One bright little girl replied, 'Because people are sleeping.'

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A wife invited some people to dinner.
At the table, she turned to their six-year-old daughter and said,
'Would you like to say the blessing?'
'I wouldn't know what to say,' the girl replied.
'Just say what you hear Mommy say,' the wife answered.
The daughter bowed her head and said,
'Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?'

Just a Thought

A woman called the Electricity Company and complained that her electricity was off. What should she do? The voice at the other end advised "Open your freezer and eat the ice cream."

If you can't be a good example...at least you can
serve as a horrible warning.

Good friends are like stars. You can't always see them,
but you know they're always there.

Always remember this - a positive attitude may not solve all your problems...
but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.

If you ever make a mistake of judgement, let it be on the side of mercy.

A good way to judge people is by observing how they treat those
who can do them absolutely no good.

Because of Good Friday, we can look back, and not be afraid.
Because of Easter, we can look ahead, and not be afraid.
Because of Ascension Day, we can look up, and not be afraid.
Because of Pentecost, we can look inward, and not be afraid.

Marie Darrah

Kids in Church

A father was at the beach with his children
When the four-year-old son ran up to him, grabbed
his hand, and led him to the shore where
a seagull lay dead in the sand.
'Daddy, what happened to him?' the son asked.
'He died and went to Heaven,' the Dad replied.
The boy thought a moment and then said,
'Did God throw him back down?'



Capt. Michael conducted a short service to renew Jill and Philip Rogers Wedding Vows for their 25th Wedding Anniversary Year. They were on holiday in Bangor and Philip arranged this surprise for his wife, Jill.

Caption Competition



Accompanying Letter on Page 15



BM John Moore plays a cornet solo at Cooke Centenary PWA meeting



Some adults enjoying the Children's Christmas Service



Thomas, James and Cathy Fountain

Photo



Edwin Getty presents a new flag in memory of May Getty and Elizabeth McCurrie

Gallery



Band Secretary looking for a bargain at The Autumn Fayre



Pupils from Botanic Primary School warming up before their Lunchtime Concert



Band at opening of new hall at Limavady

Corps History Book 1960

- Jan 10** Evening meeting conducted by Brig. & Mrs Wells, General Sec. prior to farewell to North Scotland Division as D.C.s.
- 16-18** YP Annual & Prize-giving conducted by Sen. Major & Mrs Mole Y.P. Secretary.
- 21** Farewell meeting of Col. Booth-Tucker.
- 30** Songsters at York Road Corps
- Feb 4** Welcome meeting for new officer commanding Ireland - Lieut. Col. & Mrs Samuel Nicholson. Also new General Secretary Lt. Col. J Allen. Meetings conducted by the British Commissioner.
- 13** First special meeting for S.D. Songster Silver Tree Programme. Maritime Boys Choir gave the programme.
- 27** Weekend conducted by Col & Mrs F Kiff, Field Secretary.
- Mar 27** Weekend meetings conducted by Col. Victor Thompson, Secretary P.R.D.
- Apr 15** Visit of Govan Citadel Band accompanied by Colonel & Mrs
to 17 Fullerton. Very good and successful weekend. All arrangements made by Bandmaster Stuart & Band Locals.
- 30** 80th Corps Anniversary conducted by Col. & Mrs Frances Evans
- May 1** Sunday afternoon Civic Service attended by The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor Alderman R.G. Kinahan, aldermen and councillors.
- Jun 4** Y.P. Outing to Newcastle Co.Down.
- 5** Meetings conducted by Sen. Major David Snowden, a Canadian officer, formerly a soldier of York St. (Belfast 5) Corps.
- 11** Y.P. Anniversary was to have been conducted by Lt. Colonel Watson of London. The Colonel was prevented by strike at London Airport.
- 26** Meeting conducted by the Chancellor Major Lily Stone.

CSM Noel Moore

News in Brief

October

- Our Harvest Weekend meetings were led by Majors Graham and Helene Carey (South-West Divisional HQ). The Saturday Night Social had the theme "Harvest Deal or No Deal with a Difference."
- The remarkable story of William & Catherine Booth was featured at the "Our People" Film Night.
- The Autumn Fayre raised over £250 towards the Annual Appeal. Stalls included; bric-a-brac, homemade cakes, fashion design, model railway exhibit, books and refreshments served from the Kitchen. Also we had our very own brass band stand. Thank you to all who helped in this venture.
- Captain Nicola Hylton-Jones led Sunday Worship.

November

- Members of the Band & Songsters made their annual visit to minister to residents at Centenary House during the Social Services Campaign Week.
- Our Band Weekend meetings were led by Cathy, James & Thomas Fountain from Kettering Corps.
- The Band travelled to Limavady to participate in the opening of the new Hall and to play in the evening festival.
- The Songsters were special guests at The Cooke Centenary PWA Guest Night.
- The Band ministered to the residents at Bethany Nursing Home.
- Second Tuesday Lunchtime Concerts were introduced into our Corps Programme under the leadership of BM John Moore. Students from Stranmillis University College were our first guests.
- The public once again showed their support during our City Flag Day.
- Sunday Meetings were led by Major Neil McFerran and Majors Paul & Jacqui Wright.
- Christmas Carolling commenced at The Castle Mall in Antrim where the Band participated in a short civic service and welcomed Santa as he arrived at the centre.

December

- The Band participated in the Torbank Special School Christmas Service.
- Our own young people were our guests for December First Sunday.
- Nathan Power & Friends were our guests for our December Second Tuesday Lunchtime Concert.



News in Brief

December

- The Band played carols during the Northern Ireland Hospice Festival of Lights.
- The Kids Alive Club, SonShine Club and Parent & Toddlers celebrated the season at their Christmas parties and dinners.
- Captain Michael along with members of the Band led the carol service for the Inland Revenue who made a donation towards the work of The Salvation Army.
- There was a full Hall for our Children's Christmas Service - the theme this year was God's Messengers.
- After their absence for the last few years, The Citadel Players made an appearance at The Family Carol Service. The theme this year was "He came - He comes".
- The Christmas Postbox, along with a special collection at the service raised £600 for the Northern Ireland Cancer Fund for Children.
- Christmas Hampers... we gave out thirty hampers this year to those in need and distributed socks, clothing & toiletries.
- During Christmas Carolling we raised a total of £6080.00 towards The Salvation Army's work.
- Christmas Angels raised the sum of £250 towards the Helping Hand 'EARTH' Appeal.
- The New Year was welcomed with a Watchnight Service at the quarters.

January 2010

- First Sunday took the form of a New Year Special and incorporated a "Review of The Year" and a video featuring Nick Vujicic.
- Sunday meetings were led by our Divisional leaders, Majors Alan and Linda Watters.
- Staff and pupils from Botanic Primary School were our guests for our January Second Tuesday Lunchtime Concert.
- Commitment Sunday meetings were held.
- The Band ministered to the residents at Malone Residential Home.
- The sequel to "The Alpha Course", "A Life Worth Living" commenced.
- Meetings led by Captain Hilary McClintock, C.O. at Adleston Corps.

News in Brief

February

- YP Workers and Pastoral Care Council members attended a Safe and Sound Training Day at the Hall.
- The February Second Tuesday Lunchtime Concert was entitled "A brief-history of The Salvation Army Tune Book - Part One".
- Special Guest for the Women's Fellowship Night was Envoy Sue Whittla.
- £550 was raised towards the Haiti Appeal. CSM Noel Moore

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Dear *Michael + Lorraine*

It is with great pleasure that I write to acknowledge your very kind and generous donation of £600.00 which you presented to me at your Christmas Carol service. Please pass on our thanks to all those in your congregation who contributed towards this fantastic donation.

We would like to assure you that this donation will be of great to the charity allowing us to continue to deliver a range of services to those coming to terms with the devastating effects a childhood cancer diagnosis inflicts on a family.

Each week in Northern Ireland another two children or young people are diagnosed with cancer. We support every family member so that in turn they can support other. Vital services include qualified youth and family support, residential and social weekends for children, grants to ease the financial burden of looking after a sick child, as well as the provision of holidays for the whole family in Newcastle and Coleraine.

Your support will really make a difference to these young people and their families. Once again many thanks for your support.

With best wishes,

Naomi Braithwaite

Naomi Braithwaite
Community Fundraiser

Sudoku supplied by S/L Jayne Moore

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and every 3 x 3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

Solution to previous puzzle



Corps Family News

Congratulations:

- To Ishmael on passing his ABRSM Grade1 baritone examination with merit
- To Hamed on passing his ABRSM Grade 2 cornet examination with merit.
- We celebrate the birth of Patricia Kunaka, a baby sister for Kuda.
- We congratulate Rebecca Craig on her engagement to John Geddis.
- We congratulate Matthew Moore & Danielle Morley on their marriage.

Illness

- Jackie Donaldson has been attending hospital for tests and treatment.
- Mrs Miller was admitted to hospital to have a pace-maker fitted.
- Major Christine Cunningham spent some days in hospital for tests.
- Mariam Obikoya spent a prolonged period of time in hospital and is now at home.
- Alan Bell was admitted to hospital following a fall when he broke his hip.

Promotion to Glory

- Former soldier Margaret Phillips was Promoted to Glory.

CSM Noel Moore

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February

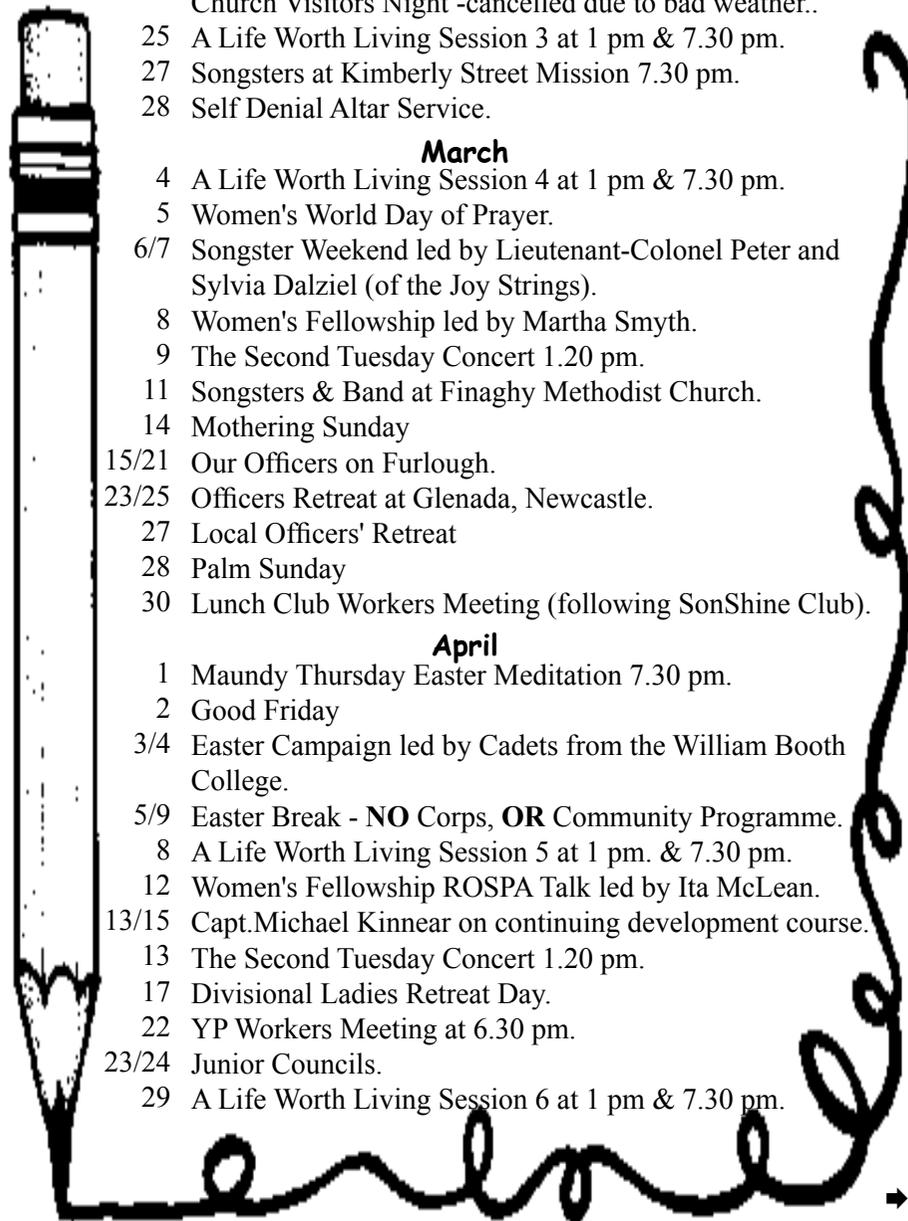
- 23 Songsters & Band at Whitehead, Islandmagee Methodist Church Visitors Night -cancelled due to bad weather..
- 25 A Life Worth Living Session 3 at 1 pm & 7.30 pm.
- 27 Songsters at Kimberly Street Mission 7.30 pm.
- 28 Self Denial Altar Service.

March

- 4 A Life Worth Living Session 4 at 1 pm & 7.30 pm.
- 5 Women's World Day of Prayer.
- 6/7 Songster Weekend led by Lieutenant-Colonel Peter and Sylvia Dalziel (of the Joy Strings).
- 8 Women's Fellowship led by Martha Smyth.
- 9 The Second Tuesday Concert 1.20 pm.
- 11 Songsters & Band at Finaghy Methodist Church.
- 14 Mothering Sunday
- 15/21 Our Officers on Furlough.
- 23/25 Officers Retreat at Glenada, Newcastle.
- 27 Local Officers' Retreat
- 28 Palm Sunday
- 30 Lunch Club Workers Meeting (following SonShine Club).

April

- 1 Maundy Thursday Easter Meditation 7.30 pm.
- 2 Good Friday
- 3/4 Easter Campaign led by Cadets from the William Booth College.
- 5/9 Easter Break - **NO** Corps, **OR** Community Programme.
- 8 A Life Worth Living Session 5 at 1 pm. & 7.30 pm.
- 12 Women's Fellowship ROSPA Talk led by Ita McLean.
- 13/15 Capt.Michael Kinnear on continuing development course.
- 13 The Second Tuesday Concert 1.20 pm.
- 17 Divisional Ladies Retreat Day.
- 22 YP Workers Meeting at 6.30 pm.
- 23/24 Junior Councils.
- 29 A Life Worth Living Session 6 at 1 pm & 7.30 pm.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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May

- 5 Meeting of The Pastoral Care Council 8.30pm
- 6 A Life Worth Living Session 7 at 1pm & 7.30 pm
- 8/9 Congress Weekend
- 10 Women's Fellowship - Show and tell
- 11 Second Tuesday Concert at 1.20 pm
- 13 A Life Worth Living Session 8 at 1pm & 7.30 pm
- 15/16 Corps Anniversary led by Lieut-Col. George and Vera Pilkington
- 20 A Life Worth Living Session 9 at 1 pm & 7.30 pm
- 23 Pentecost
- 27 Corps Mission Council at 7 pm

June

- 1 SonShine Club Outing
- 3 YP Workers Meeting at 6.30 pm
- 4/6 Chief Secretary in Ireland Division
- 6 Y.P. Annual Prize-giving at 10.30 am
- 8 Second Tuesday Concert at 1.20 pm
- 10 Divisional Prayer and Praise Meeting
- 14 Womens Fellowship - Here comes the summer!
- 19/26 Over 50's Holiday to Morecambe

Celebrate our 130th Anniversary Year with us

- 6/7 March - Songster Weekend led by Lieutenant-Colonel Peter and Sylvia Dalziel (of the Joy Strings).
Concert - Sat 6th March 7pm - £3 (£2 concessions)
- 2/4 April - Easter Campaign led by Cadets from The William Booth College
- 15/16 May - Corps Anniversary led by Lieut-Col. George and Vera Pilkington
- 2/3 October - Harvest Weekend led by Captain Jonathan Wylie

THE SALVATION ARMY DUBLIN ROAD -- BELFAST

MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

- SUNDAY** 10.00 am Prayer Meeting
10.30 am Morning Worship - Meeting for all the family
6.00 pm Salvation Meeting - Bright presentation of the Gospel
- MONDAY** 7.45 pm Womens' Fellowship (2nd Monday of month)
- TUESDAY** 12.30 pm Luncheon Club (£2.50) followed by the
1.15 pm The SonShine Club (Senior Challenge 50+)
- WEDNESDAY** 6.15 pm Kids Alive - children of primary school age
6.15 pm Youth Alpha - young people aged 11+
7.30 pm Brass Learners
- THURSDAY** 1.00 pm Lunchtime Bible Study
7.30 pm Bible Study
- FRIDAY** 10.00 am Parent and Toddlers

In addition, we have a wide range of outreach and musical activities.
A minibus is available in connection with some of the above meetings.
For further information, contact the Commanding Officers, Tel. 9064 5757
or visit our web site at www.belfastcitadel.com

