



The Salvation Army

International Mission Statement

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 the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in his name without discrimination.

Structure

International – Territorial – Divisional –
Corps & Centre

Ministers: officers (Lieutenants, Captains,
Majors, Colonels, Commissioners, a
General)

Elders: local officers

Members: soldiers & adherents

International

General Andre Cox

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Good afternoon, welcome to the website of The Salvation Army's International Headquarters in London, UK.

CHILDREN: [International Day of Prayer](#) • 150th ANNIVERSARY: [Prayer/Bible reading initiatives unveiled](#)



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR CHILDREN: SUNDAY 30 MARCH 2014

Salvation Army corps (churches) and centres around the globe are encouraged to place the world's children before God in focused prayer, acknowledging that they are precious in the sight of God.

The Bible verse chosen for the 2014 International Day of Prayer features Jesus' words: 'Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me' (Mark 9:37)

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→ THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army is an integral part of the Christian Church, although distinctive in government and practice. The Army's doctrine follows the mainstream... Connected to s3.amazonaws.com... emphasise

→ WORSHIP

Most Salvation Army centres hold weekly worship services, usually on a Sunday. These meetings have a relaxed atmosphere and can include hymn singing, Bible readings, members of the congregation talking



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International Statistics

How many countries is The Salvation Army at work in?

126

How many corps?

15,409

Active officers?

17,105

International Statistics

Employees?

108,786

Members?

1,319,810

Other members?

c.3million

United Kingdom, with the Republic of Ireland

Active officers: 1,091

Employees: 4,800

Divisions: 18

Corps: 706

Members: 39,890



History

History



William Booth, 10 April 1829
– 20 August 1912



Catherine Booth, 17 January
1829 – 4 October 1890

Catherine & William Booth

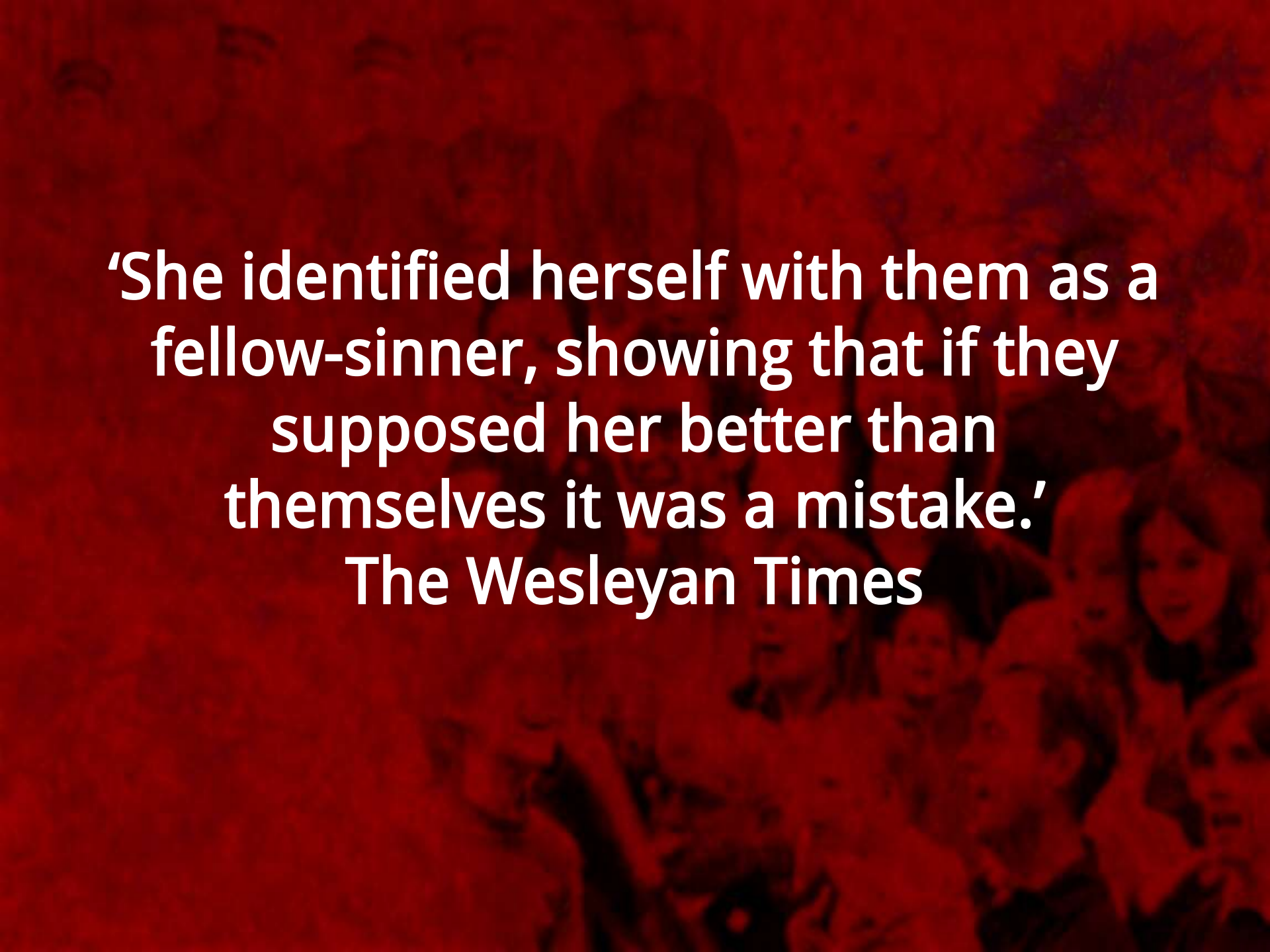
Married on 16 June 1855, by the Rev David Thomas in Stockwell Congregational Chapel

From 1855 – 1861 ministry in the Methodist New Connexion

1861 – 1865 revivalists

January 1865 Catherine invited to lead campaign in London

Mrs. Booth's address 'was inimitable, pointed, evangelical, impressive and sympathetic, and delivered in a most earnest and affectionate manner, drawing tears from many of those present and securing the closest attention from all.

A photograph of a church congregation, overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter. The text is centered on the image.

'She identified herself with them as a fellow-sinner, showing that if they supposed her better than themselves it was a mistake.'
The Wesleyan Times

**'Mrs. Booth, to whom they freely
opened their minds, soon
discovered how futile was the
task of attempting to benefit
them spiritually without the
means of temporal deliverance.'**

The Wesleyan Times

**Man remains 'a wonderful
being... made originally in the
image of God... although fallen...
yet the outline of man's make—
his faculties, capacities,
possibilities—remain the same.**

'Some theologians in their desire to exalt God, very much debase and under-estimate man; whereas the best way to glorify the Creator is to give Him full credit for the excellency of His workmanship.'

Catherine Booth

History

July 1865 The Christian Mission

August 1878 The Salvation Army.

History

1878 50 corps, 127 officers

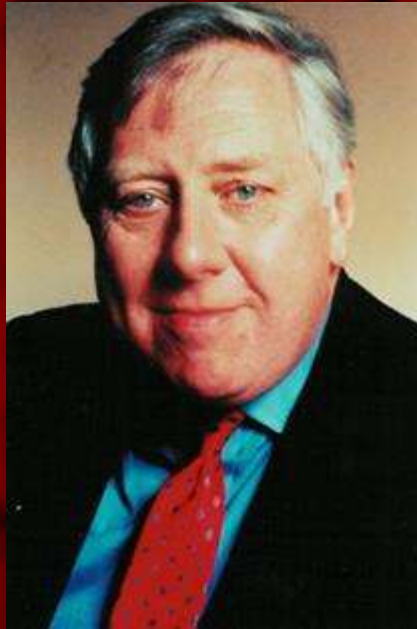
1889 2,724 corps, 8,012 officers

Catherine Booth



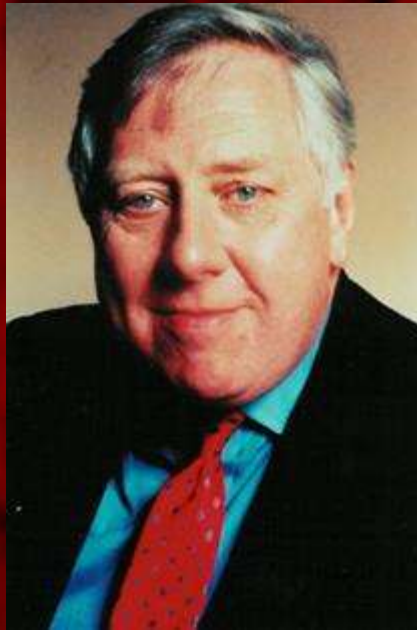
Catherine Booth

'The potential to be one of the most extraordinary women of the nineteenth century'. Roy Hattersley



Catherine Booth

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Catherine Booth's ideas

'The most important question that can possibly occupy the mind of man'.

Catherine Booth's ideas

'How much like God we can be ... preparatory to our being perfectly like Him, and living as it were, in His very heart for ever and ever in Heaven'.

Catherine Booth's ideas

Salvation is the restoration of the image of God in fallen humankind. Through the atonement, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, God is reversing the effects of the Fall, restoring women and men to their original status, that is recreating them, reforming them, in the image and likeness of God, in Christ.

Catherine Booth's ideas

What does it mean to be like God?

Creativity, reason, freewill,
transcendence?

Catherine Booth's ideas

Because God is a plurality, a trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in his essential nature God is Love.

To be made in the image and likeness of God is to be made to love.

Consequences

For feminism:

Salvation, for Catherine, is the restoration of women to the image and likeness of God in Christ, and this restoration restores to women their natural equality with men in respect of nature, status and authority.

Consequences

'Godly women possessing the necessary gifts and qualifications shall be employed as preachers ... and they shall be eligible for any office, and to speak and vote at all official meetings.'

The 1870 Constitution of the Christian Mission

Consequences

For the Church:

The Church is 'Jesus Christ come in the flesh again in His people, living out before the world His principles, acting upon His teaching, living for the same purposes for which He lived'.

Catherine Booth



The Salvation Army Today



A large crowd of people, mostly women, is shown from the chest up. They are all looking towards the camera with various expressions, some smiling. The image is heavily overlaid with a semi-transparent red color, which is darker in some areas and lighter in others, creating a textured effect. The text 'Salvation Army Music Today' is centered in the middle of the image in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

Salvation Army Music Today

A large crowd of people, mostly young women, is shown in a photograph that has been overlaid with a semi-transparent red filter. The people are looking in various directions, some towards the camera. The text "Social Action Today" is centered over the image in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

Social Action Today

Social Action Today: Human Trafficking

Human Trafficking is a form of modern day slavery in which people most often women and girls, are forced, threatened, coerced or deceived for the purposes of labour exploitation, commercial sexual exploitation and servitude.

Social Action Today: Human Trafficking

In July 2011 The Salvation Army was given the responsibility of managing the support of all adult victims of trafficking in England and Wales.

**'God only knows how deeply I
desire that all godly women and
men could present one common
front to the foe, that we might be
one in heart, one in purpose and
one in united effort.'**

Catherine Booth