

# THANK GOD FOR THE SALVOS





Hi! We're The Salvation Army and people often call us

# The Salvos

We're a church that tries to help people in as many ways as we can.

How many words can you make from the letters in the name:

# The Salvation Army

Here's some to get you started

lion   nail   smart   save

a	b	c	j	k	l	s	t	u
d	e	f	m	n	o	v	w	x
g	h	i	p	q	r	y	z	

Using the code find out the different people the Salvos help in over 100 countries around the world

people       people

people who are         people who are    and

people

people with     and

of

people who have been       children who are

and

of

people who have

You can find the answers on page 8.

## Who started The Salvation Army?

William Booth was a Minister who started The Salvation Army in a tent on a disused cemetery.

He got to know and love the poor from working in a shop serving poor people. In 1865 he began working in the East End of London. He taught people to read, fed those who were hungry and helped the sick.



Catherine Booth, William's wife, is known as the Mother of The Salvation Army. She worked with William Booth helping people in need in the East End of London.

Women have always been appointed to any role in The Salvation Army. In 1878 The Salvation Army began spreading all over the world.

## When and where did The Salvation Army begin in Australia?

The Salvation Army began in Australia on 5th September in 1880 with John Gore and Edward

Saunders. They stood on the back of a greengrocer's cart, in the shade of a tall gum tree in Adelaide, and began spreading the Salvo's message of God's love.

## Have any Australians ever been the world leader of The Salvation Army?



George.L. Carpenter led The Salvation Army from 1939 - 1946 and Eva Burrows from 1986 - 1993.

## Where is the world office for The Salvation Army?

It is in London where The Army began in 1865.

# Word Search

Read through your booklet to find the answers to these clues, then find them in the Word Search on the next page.

## Clues

The Salvation Army is often known as the \_\_\_\_\_ .

A place to go where people worship God. \_\_\_\_\_

What are the colours of The Salvation Army flag? \_\_\_\_\_

The first symbol of the Salvation Army. \_\_\_\_\_

Where is the world office of The Salvation Army? \_\_\_\_\_

Who started The Salvation Army? \_\_\_\_\_

The Salvation Army began in Australia on the 5th \_\_\_\_\_ 1880.

The Salvation Army builds and runs \_\_\_\_\_ for the homeless and gives \_\_\_\_\_ to the hungry.

What was the name of the first Australian woman to lead The Salvation Army?

\_\_\_\_\_

What is the name given to a child who joins The Salvation Army?

\_\_\_\_\_

You can find the answers on page 8.

S	A	B	L	O	R	E	I	D	L	O	S	Y
H	C	R	U	H	C	W	I	L	L	I	A	M
E	C	D	S	E	O	F	H	T	O	O	B	N
L	M	E	A	L	S	B	G	S	D	L	K	O
T	H	I	L	J	L	L	K	E	M	N	O	D
E	P	E	V	A	B	U	R	R	O	W	S	N
R	Y	Q	O	R	S	E	T	C	W	X	A	O
S	Z	A	S	E	P	T	E	M	B	E	R	L
B	D	F	H	L	M	R	O	I	N	U	J	Z

Why do the Salvos wear a uniform?

Members of The Salvation Army wear a uniform because it is easily recognised. The uniform shows that the person wearing it loves God.

What slogan is the Army known by?

Thank God for the Salvos.

Only one of the following crests is right. Which one do you think it is? Answers on page 8.



## What are the colours of The Salvation Army flag?

The flag has three colours - red background, yellow star and blue border.



## What do Salvos believe?

We believe in God. We believe Jesus showed us how God wants us to live. We believe the Bible shows people a good way to live.

## What was the first symbol of The Salvation Army?

The Crest is the original symbol of The Salvation Army and is still used today on badges, notepaper, books and many other things.



## Who is The Salvation Army here for?

We try to help everyone who needs it - by working 365 days a year, seven days a week.

## Who looks after families when they are in trouble?

The Salvation Army helps families with lots of things like education and finding a job. We help find lost family members and work with the police, fire brigade and ambulance people when required.

## What is the Red Shield?

The Red Shield is our symbol of service to people in need. It became widely recognised during the First World War (1914 - 1918). Today, the Red Shield is known all over the world as the symbol of The Salvation Army.



## What does The Salvation Army do for children?

The Salvos help children and young people whenever they need it.

We provide poor families with food, clothing, toys and money for things like school books and uniforms.

The Salvos help young people who need advice, friendship and the chance of a fresh start in life.

Whether they are from single parent homes, the victims of drug or alcohol addiction, or homeless, the Salvos are here for them. Support services include drop-in centres, youth groups and playgroups.

## How can children enjoy the love of God?

You can be fully involved in the life of The Salvation Army.

All kids are welcome to come to meetings like Sunday School or Kids Clubs and join in craft, stories, games, music, singing and other activities.

You can even become a junior soldier. Being a junior soldier involves making a promise and keeping it, everyday, at home and at school.

## TRY THIS ACROSTIC

Using the letters in the name below, can you find a word or sentence to describe the Salvos or what they do? A couple are done for you –

**T  
H  
E**

*Started in London in 1865*

**A**

*Love God*

**V**

**A**

**T**

**I**

**O**

**N**

**A**

**R**

**M**

**Y**

## How do Salvos show their love of God?

Worship services at The Salvation Army are open to everybody and feature stories, music and singing.

## Who looks after people when they grow old?

The Salvation Army provides care for people when they grow old.

## What do the Salvos do for people that sleep on the street at night?

The Salvation Army builds and runs shelters for the homeless and gives meals to the hungry.

The Salvation Army's coffee vans offer a hot drink and a chat to boys and girls, men and women who are using drugs and alcohol. They give them food, places to sleep and help them to stop using drugs and alcohol.

The Salvos give them someone to talk to when they have problems and places where they can talk and pray to God.

## ANSWERS

### Page 2

people in need  
people without jobs  
people who are growing old  
people who are poor and hungry  
people without homes  
people with drug and alcohol problems  
survivors of suicide  
people who have been in prison  
children who are alone and not looked after  
victims of violence  
people who have gone missing

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Salvos  
church  
red, yellow, blue  
crest  
London  
William Booth  
September  
shelters, meals  
Eva Burrows  
Junior Soldier

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#### Word Search



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#### Crest number 2





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