ADVENTIST 'CHOIR OF THE WORLD' WINNERS
A choir from the Adventist University of the Philippines won three top awards at the 2011 Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod Festival in Wales, 4-10 July, 2011. After gaining first place in both the Mixed Choir and Chamber Choir categories, they went on to win the coveted "Choir of the World – Pavarotti Trophy" on Saturday night. The Llangollen Eisteddfod, with Terry Waite CBE as its President, is among the world's most prestigious choral competitions.

The trophy was made even more special for them as the event organisers moved the starting time of the Saturday evening competition to accommodate the Sabbath-keeping choir. After winning the first two categories, and therefore gaining entry to the final, the group had already decided that they would not compete during the Sabbath hours. However after much prayer and supplication, the group was delighted when the competition was moved to 9:30 pm, after sunset!

That does not mean they wasted the Sabbath hours! During the competition they enjoyed the exceptional hospitality and friendliness of the Welsh people who accommodated the group in their own homes in the village. In return for their kindness and hospitality, the group organised a Sabbath concert for the villagers. Whilst the rest of the competitors were busy rehearsing and preparing for the competition, the 'Ambassadors' the official name of the choir, were giving glory to God through singing and sharing their faith with the community.

They were able to answer many questions about Adventists as many of the locals had never heard of Adventists. Tenor Zhean Manalo reported that "it was the first time that they had met people like us, that we were 'different' and how deeply we touched people's lives." A local resident, Peter, had been assigned to host the choir. He told them he was honoured to have been given that assignment, and felt very blessed.
The choir, led by Ramon Lijauco Jr arrived in the UK on Thursday, 7 July, the night before the first competition. Despite jet lag and fatigue from the 12-hour flight, the group gave their all as they battled with top choirs from all over the world and won the first prize in the Chamber Choir and Mixed Choir categories. The 30-voice Ambassadors had a juggling trick to do. The minimum requirement for Mixed Choir is 30 voices, the maximum for Chamber Choir is 29 voices. An alto volunteered to drop out in order for the group to qualify to compete in the Chamber Choir category.

For the **Mixed Choir category**, the group sang "Agnus Dei" by Krzysztof Penderecki and "Itako" an original composition by the conductor, Ramon Lijauco Jr. For the **Chamber Choir competition**, where they beat Mansfield University Concert Choir from the United States and CF1 from Wales, they sang "Amor de mi Alma" by Z Randall Stroope and "Bagbago" by Nilo Alcala. On Saturday evening they went head to head with five other choirs for the most prestigious award, the Choir of the World 2011 and the most coveted Pavarotti Trophy. Printed adjudication notes were given to the choir read: "We were in no doubt this is a quality corporate instrument of very high calibre, based on a strong individual vocal culture moulded towards a clearly understood choral sound."

The AUP Ambassadors is the official chorus of the Adventist University of the Philippines. It was founded in 1957 by an American missionary, Elder Elton Wallace, as an all-male chorus. In 1971, under the leadership of Mrs Minerva Arit-Pendaranda, the group began accepting female members and has since become a mixed choir. They have been actively involved in promoting Adventist education by visiting churches all over the Philippines and other countries in Asia and the United States. In 2006, the Ambassadors joined the World Choir Games in China and came home Champion in the Gospel and Spiritual categories. This has inspired them to join more choral competitions, not only to win medals and trophies but most importantly, to raise the profile of the Adventist Church in the music community, the latest being the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod Festival.

Raising the £50,000 needed for the 32 members of the choir to travel was a challenge but did not daunt their spirits or their faith. Since the Eisteddfod they have continued to share their faith – and complete their fundraising with invitations to sing in St Chad’s church, Wrexham, followed by a concert in Stockport Adventist church and then a flight to Aberdeen where a series of concerts were arranged by local pastor, Lorance Johnson.

Those in the London area will be able to experience the joy of their music this weekend in a series of performances at local churches and a gala concert at the Advent Centre.

Friday 7:00 pm: Wimbledon International church
Sabbath 9:30 am: Holloway church
Sabbath 11:30 am: Central London church, Advent Centre
Sabbath 7:00 pm: London Filipino International church
Sunday 7:00 pm: Gala Concert, Advent Centre

Aware of the image they project for church and school, the Ambassadors strive to perform to the glory of God at every performance. At Llangollen and elsewhere, they deflect all compliments to the glory of God, acknowledging at every opportunity that they are blessed to be singing ambassadors for Christ.

Highlights of the competition can be seen on the [Llangollen TV website](#).
ADRA-UK LAUNCHES HORN OF AFRICA FAMINE RELIEF APPEAL

As the Horn of Africa faces the worst drought in decades affecting Kenya and Somalia, food security conditions continue to deteriorate. Kenya has declared the drought a national disaster and inflation in Kenya is at 14%, the highest in two years, and is expected to increase further, according to the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA).

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) network is responding to provide assistance. ADRA Kenya has submitted a network-funded proposal to assist 200 households in Kasaala with water tanks and food parcels.

Somalia has also been greatly affected by the severe drought in the Eastern Horn of Africa. The nutrition situation is currently classified as critical and very critical in most areas of southern Somalia, due to poor food access and high morbidity related to low health interventions.

ADRA Somalia will help 19,000 persons in the Puntland Somalia region which will give access to potable water using water trucking, boreholes, rehabilitation, and non-food items.

ADRA and many other non-governmental organisations (NGOs) were banned from working in Al-Shabab controlled areas in Somalia. This group has now announced that NGOs can return to help with famine relief. Considering that Al-Shabad is a terrorist group and the way they are announcing this, there will be special analysis from ADRA and other humanitarian organizations before restarting operations. ADRA will keep assessing the situation. For more information visit: <www.adra.org.uk>.

ADRA are now accepting donations to the ADRA-UK Horn of Africa Appeal:
By SMS: Text ADRA04 £10 to 70070 to donate to ADRA-UK and make a difference today!
Online with BT MyDonate: http://mydonate.bt.com/events/adrauk/51335

100% of your donations made by SMS or via BT MyDonate will be used for the relief effort.

WITNESSING ON THE SUMMIT

[Editor's note: Last week BUC News reported on the first BUC Wellness Summit hosted in the UK, 21 - 26 June at the De Vere Venues Staverton Park Hotel, Northamptonshire. Intending to offer a spectrum of courses to up-skill our health leaders and provide high impact programmes for both church and community, we reported on the positive feedback from delegates. The highlights of the event are now available as a video report. However, the programme also made an impact on other groups attending courses at the same venue. Sharon Platt-McDonald, BUC Health Ministries director, reports both in print and on video:]

One of our delegates, Hopieann Platt, shared with our team the positive outcome from a conversation she had with a lady whilst using the spa facilities. The lady lives locally and had come to the venue to get some pamper time. She enquired about the Summit and was intrigued that a church group had put so much emphasis on well-being. She began to ask questions about cancer and healthy eating. She divulged that her husband had recently been diagnosed with prostate cancer and she felt overwhelmed with the diagnosis and at a loss to get adequate information. Hopieann invited her over to the health stall where she met with the National Cancer Action Team – part of our Summit programme. She picked up a number of our health resources including the Little Book of Health for Men/Women and the range of healthy food options on display. She asked whether there was a local Adventist church in the area she lives and she was...
given the relevant information from our team. Her parting comments were "you just don't know how happy you have made me feel today with the information I have received and the interest you have shown. Please let me know when you have any future programmes as I would like to attend."

Several members of a Pentecostal church group came to speak with us about the Summit. They stated how pleased they were to see the Church leading on health issues and were impressed with the range of courses and resources we had on offer. We gave them a gift pack of some of the resources and they were keen for their church leaders to meet with us to discuss inviting us to deliver some of the training for their congregation. They also stated that they hoped we would be back next year with another Health Summit as they would like to join in. They were so impressed with the health resources our team gave them that they gave a generous donation although we had intended it as a gift.

Another unexpected comment came from the catering team. Prior to the Summit we had sent the head chef one of our MicoCHIP recipe booklets and the cookbook, Heavenly Delights, by Joyce Hofer. The kitchen staff at Staverdon Conference Centre had a few weeks to practice some of the dishes before we were invited for a taster session. We wanted to provide mainly vegan and some vegetarian meals for the Health Summit but were anxious to trial the dishes beforehand as the chefs were not familiar with the recipes. They were so pleased with the results and our reviews from the taster session that they indicated that they would keep some of the recipes on and add it to their regular menu choices. They plan to try it out over the next few months and see how their guests respond. We were thrilled to see them actually serving some of our dishes to other guests in the main restaurant during the Summit week. They told us that other guests were asking about the dishes. They have now decided to keep some of our vegan dishes as a permanent option on their menu.

We were equally encouraged by the remarks from one of the NHS staff, Lilian Wiles. She delivered the Beating Bowel Cancer workshop. She referred to the Summit as "an amazing event" and is progressing plans for the Adventist Church to be further involved in partnership with the NHS working on National Cancer Initiatives. As a result the BUC Health Ministries director received an invitation from Virendra Sharma MP to attend a local Cancer Awareness launch event in Southall this week. Subsequently two team members – Elsie Staple (SEC Health Ministries director) and Millie Williams (Area Health coordinator) attended the event as part of the Ethnic Minority Cancer Awareness week.

From personal witness to public endorsement, the Summit impact has made its mark and we give God the glory.

Photos from the event are available in our picture gallery. Two video reports are also available. One on the Summit itself, another on witness at the Summit.

MISSION GOLD  [Nigel Clark]

Leamington Spa Adventist Mission once again took on the 'Three Peaks Challenge' to climb the three highest mountains in Scotland, England and Wales. The team of six walkers started the challenge at 5:50 pm on Sunday, 19 June along with 34 other teams. Each team set off at three minute intervals. Once off Scotland's Ben Nevis, the highest of the three peaks, the 2 drivers had the task of driving the team to Scafell Pike in the Lake District ready for the next climb at around 3:30 am. Finally the team headed for the summit of Snowdon in North Wales to complete the challenge.

The drivers are given six hours to complete the first leg of the journeys and five hours for the second. This was done with expert precision dropping the walkers off at Snowdon with five minutes to spare!
The team managed a Gold medal having completed Ben Nevis in 3hrs 32mins, Scafell Pike in 3hrs10mins and the summit of Snowdon in 1hr 35mins. This, added to the 11 hours of driving time (11 hours being the minimum allowed) gave a total time of 19hrs 16mins well within the gold time of 20 hrs.

The team managed 8th position overall and won a trophy for the youngest team. This was presented to 15-year-old Titas, the youngest team member.

While the Mission see the 'Three Peaks Challenge' primarily as a positive team building event, nevertheless, the group also raised funds for ADRA and a local mental health charity in Leamington Spa.

The full team were, Nigel Clark, Claire Peacock, Bronwyn Pretorius, Laurence Clark, Michael Glinton and Titas Taskunas supported by drivers Terry Layland and Robert Pearce. Crieff church also provided kind hospitality on Sabbath prior to the event.

LESSONS FROM THE NEWS – A COMMENTARY

I don't read News of the World. Now I can't! But a couple of weeks back, sitting in A&E at 3:30 am, I found that a two-day-old copy of the now infamous newspaper was the only reading matter to hand. Somewhat bored, and trying to stay awake while doctors efficiently dealt with the patient I'd brought in, I glanced through the pages. It confirmed to me why I have never read it. I don't need to know the gossip, the scandal and the intrigue. I quickly went back to reading BBC News on my smartphone.

The News of the World, Britain's highest circulation newspaper, ended its 168-year history last Sunday. With the increasing escalation of the phone hacking scandal, Rupert Murdoch was trying to save his empire – and particularly the News International bid for BSkyB. He failed. By Wednesday his bid was withdrawn and politicians and the media alike tried to distance themselves from the once all-powerful media mogul.

Yet where would the world be today without mavericks like Rupert Murdoch? For a start, BSkyB would not exist. Eleven years ago he was subsidising it at a rate of £2 million a week. He took the risk – and some would argue that Sky News is now the best competition to the BBC. Sky has certainly changed the viewing habits of millions in this country, has helped open up broadband internet, and joined the competition in providing a cheap phone service. Should we have some sympathy for Mr Murdoch?

It was while I was tickling these thoughts around in the back of my mind that I started to wonder how the modern media and politicians would have dealt with Bible mavericks: King David, adulterer, murderer, political manipulator – and a friend of God. Or perhaps the Apostle Paul whose skeletons in the cupboard still gave him the self-imposed title of 'chief of sinners' even at the end of a life of faithful service. The politicians of Jesus' day certainly knew how to 'stick the knife in' as they accused the maverick Galilean rabbi of anything from being the devil, to mixing with prostitutes, to being a traitor.

When Jesus stood by the woman caught in adultery He did not cast a stone. He raised her up, gave her forgiveness and self-worth and encouraged her, 'go and sin no more'. What a positive attitude of maverick witness. Maybe Pastor Charles Tapp's message at the recent BUC Day of Fellowship is more important than we think. Maybe we do need to be more and more of a 'love church' and have room for 'Adventist mavericks' who get things done – though in a different way to the one I'm used to.

Some 25 years ago I was part of a church plant. We talked about planting for a long time – then one maverick member went ahead and did it. She did not believe too much in committees. She trod on
some toes. She upset me as her pastor. But a church was planted. A church that today is four times as big as the mother church. There is no space in our church for spiritual phone hacking and dishing out the slander – but there is more than enough room for the Paul-like individuals or groups who run community projects, open their homes, run choirs, knock on doors – who run a whole range of projects that could, combined together, change the face of Britain.

They are being used like Paul in his 'worst of sinners' speech, that "...Christ Jesus might display his unlimited patience as an example of those who would believe on him and receive eternal life." (1 Timothy 1:16 NIV). Thank God for mavericks!

**365 DAYS OF PEACE** [Colin Stewart, SEC Youth Director]

Promoting a positive attitude to life, youth from across the country are expected to hit the capital, Sabbath, 23 July to engage in celebration and at the same time promote peace.

At a time when gun and knife crime are still too prevalent, the LIVE Rally seeks to impact every street, town, village, and city with this march and message of peace. It all gets started in Central London on 23 July commencing at 2:00 pm and proceeds from Marsham Street, Westminster. This route will take us past Westminster Abbey, Parliament, Horse Guards Parade, and Downing Street. All young people are invited to come to show their support and promote peace.

This 365 day initiative helps Adventist Youth take a lead in peace initiatives right up to the start of the Olympic Games in 2012. After the march/procession, there will be speeches, music and drama in the Emmanuel Centre, Marsham Street, and all are welcome to attend.

LIVE will offer an alternative to the life many young people fall into – Living Intentionally Versus Existing. On this day 1000+ young people will be marching against the dangers of gun and knife crime, and pledging for peace, and pledging not to carry a knife or a gun to harm another person.

These young people will be challenged to carry a card to show their commitment to that pledge. As they join the movement, they will be enrolled into LIVE membership and a website where they can get the support they need to do better, be better, and contribute to a more peace-filled, and safer nation.

Pledge for Peace is a year-long campaign to make every street, town, village and city a part of a movement for change.

The event is sponsored by LIVE – an organization for youth by youth. For further information please contact: Colin Stewart (Event Organizer) <cstewart@secadventist.org.uk>, 07956 931469 or Cris Okero (Secretary) <cokero@secadventist.org.uk> 01923 232728.

**PROGRAMMES TO WATCH THIS WEEK**

A choice of UK produced Adventist programmes are available for you to watch this coming week.

On Revelation TV (Sky 581 or Freesat 692) watch the following two programmes from SECmedia:
'Focus on the Future', Monday 18 July, 8:30 pm. Dr Richard de Lisser asks, "Do you want to become a missionary?"

'Dark Room', Thursday 21 July, 8:30 pm. The Matrix. Can our senses be trusted with ultimate reality? What if there is something beyond what our senses can perceive?

On Hope TV you can watch a wide variety of programmes on the satellite and website including the following episodes of 'In Conversation':

Friday 15 July: 8:00 pm: Mike Logan – Cosmic monster to Loving God
Sabbath 16 July: 12:30 am: Kresho Senjaric – Musical rebel, 9:00 am: Mike Logan,
8:00 pm: Kresho Senjaric
Monday 18 July: 12:30 pm and 9:30 pm: Colin Stewart – A once troubled youth now understands youth leadership
Wednesday 20 July: 8:00 am & 8:00 pm: Roy Chisholm – A passion for prisoners,
12:00 pm: Colin Stewart
Friday 22 July: 8:00 pm: Roy Chisholm
Sabbath 23 July: 12:30 am: Jacqui Grant – Working with unchurched teens, 9:00 am: Roy Chisholm,
8:00 pm: Jacqui Grant

COMING EVENTS

MARRIAGE & RELATIONSHIPS. Continuing to Sabbath, 16 July. Single! Dating! Courtship? Looking For A Lasting Relationship? Tying The Knot? Problems In Marriage? Slough Adventist Family Ministries department cordially invites you to attend this special family campaign with Pastor Eglan Brooks. Continuing to 16 July with weekday meetings @ 7:00 pm (except Thursday). Come and listen to precious counsel that will change your view on relationships forever. Venue: Slough Adventist church, 56 Albert Street, Slough, Berks, SL1 2BU. Contact: Kevin <thando994@yahoo.co.uk>. Phone: 07534964550 / 07983711972.

MIDNIGHT CRY MEDIA FITZROY ANDERSON @ YARDLEY. Continuing to Sunday, 17 July. Yardley Adventist Church, 31 Berkeley Road, Haymills, Birmingham, B25 8AL; Wednesday 13 - Friday 15 July Hip Hop and the 3 Angels' Message Parts 1, 2 and 3; Sabbath 16 - Sunday 17 July The Matrix – the end time deception of movies Parts 1 and 2; DVDs will be on sale. All are welcome to attend. Contact: Neil Saunders <neilsaunders_2000@yahoo.co.uk>. Phone: 07905760567.

YES SHE CAN – WOMEN'S RETREAT (WEEKEND). Friday, 15 July to Sunday, 17 July. Time: 5:00 pm Friday – 12:30 pm Sunday. Location: Horsley Park, De Vere Hotel, Ockham Road, East Horsley, Surrey, KT24 6DU. The purpose of the weekend is empowerment. We will be discussing a variety of topics relevant to women, incorporate prayer times, social activities, cookery demonstrations and fun moments and of course time to enjoy the beautiful surroundings! Contact: Sara Mullan <sara.mullan@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07957 476 538.

'YOU ARE NOT TOO FAR FROM YOUR HEALING'. Sabbath, 16 July. Gloucester Adventist Health Ministries department invites you to our Health Day on Sabbath, 16 July. Come and be inspired by BUC Health Ministries director, Sharon Platt-McDonald. Venue: 27 Cromwell Street, Gloucester, Gloucestershire, GL1 1RE. Contact: Sasha Myers <sasha-bennett@doctors.org.uk>.

EXTREME MAKEOVER. Sabbath, 16 July. A day full of music, poetry and praise. Various acts will be performing: Paul Lee, Adoration and many more. The speaker for the day will be Ray Patrick, come join us and be blessed... Lunch will be provided. Time: 10:00 am. Address: Chiswick Church,
THE JOURNEY. Sabbath, 16 July to Sabbath, 30 July. Palmers Green Adventist church presents two weeks of spiritual revival with Pastor Victor Hulbert. Join a refreshing Gospel Journey, Sabbath 16 - 30 July. Venue: Winchmore Hill Methodist Church Hall, 611-613 Green Lanes, London, N13 4EP. Entrance at the right side of the building. Programme times: Sabbath 16 & 23 July @ 10:30 am – 1:00 pm & 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm & Sabbath 30 July @ 10:30 am – 1:00 pm. Sunday 17 & 24 July @ 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Wednesday 20 & 27 July @ 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Come along and be encouraged, uplifted and refreshed by the messages and the music. Lots of giveaways, free CDs and light refreshments. For further details contact: Pastor Holness on 07950 387764 or email psmholness@aol.com. Don't miss it!

HOME COMING DAY AT LEICESTER CENTRAL CHURCH. Sabbath, 16 July. A cordial invitation is extended to all, including those who once worshipped in Leicester and have relocated or lost contact with us. Come and hear the words of veteran preacher, Pastor C R Perry. Highlights of the day include international songs and praises. As far as possible individuals are encouraged to come dressed in their traditional costumes from around the world. If you would like a special invitation for someone you would like to invite, please contact Yvonne Chambers, our church clerk. We would love to see you on Sabbath! Contact: Yvonne Chambers <vonnyc@ntlworld.com>. Phone: 0116 2101354,

THE HIDDEN HAND...? ILLUMINATE? Sabbath, 16 July. Battle for the Mind – The Hidden Hand, 9/11, Credit crunch, Natural disasters, Civil unrest, War, Terrorism, Music, Media. Prophetic Movements or Conspiracy Theory? Just a series of random events or is there an unseen hand behind history. ...Illuminate or ? Hosted by AYS dept @ Watford Town Adventist Church, 187 Leavesden Road, corner of Diamond Road, Watford, Herts, WD24 5EL. Contact: Tony Best <iluvmuzic1964@yahoo.co.uk>. Phone: 07877959132.

"THERE AREN'T EVEN WORDS" TESTIMONY PLAY. Sabbath, 16 July. An encouraging play that looks at the issue of Christianity and Cancer. Venue: Carter Knowle Adventist Church, Junction of Carter Knowle Road/Montrose Road, Sheffield, S7 2EE. Time: 1630. Entrance free but with an opportunity to donate towards Cancer Research and Breast Cancer Care. Contact: Elvina Lee <testimonyplay@aol.co.uk>. Phone: 07788844333.

ADVENTIST-MUSLIM RELATIONS TRAINING DAY. Sunday, 17 July. On Sunday, 17 July Area 6D will be having an Adventist-Muslim Relations training day at the Advent Centre – 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Our aim is to help Christians confidently answer Islam. For more information email us at area6d@hotmail.co.uk or text or call 07538 208 501.

GRAND TABLE TOP SALE. Sunday, 17 July. Muswell Hill Adventist Church, Sunday, 17 July. Venue: St John's Community Centre, Holland Walk, off Ashbrook Road, London, N19 3SX. There will be lots of things on sale such as clothing, bric-a-brac, food and drinks. Entrance fee: 50p. Time: 10:30 am – 2:00 pm. Buses: 43, 271, 263, 41, 210 & 17. For further details contact: Doris Adams on 07910 713204. Email <dadams9@sky.com>.

CLAPTON BRIC-A-BRAC FAIR. Sunday, 17 July. Clapton Community Adventist church is having a Bric-a-Brac Fair to raise funds to renovate their building. Date: Sunday, 17 July from 11:00 am. Venue: Clapton Church, St Paul's Church, Chelmer Road, London, E9 6AY. There will be food/refreshments/health message, clothes sale etc. Contact: Yvonne <claptonchurchclerk@yahoo.com>. Phone: 07956333737.

HOPE COMMUNITY DAY OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP. Sunday, 17 July. Hope Community Adventist church outreach day. Bric-a-Brac, cake, craft stalls, food/refreshments, clothes sale etc. to raise funds for a garden project. Sunday, 17 July, 2.00-5.00 pm. Venue: Hope Community Beckenham Adventist Church, 56 Churchfield Road, Beckenham, BR3 4QW. Contact: Dalas <dlhpk@aol.com>. Phone: 07710790581.
JLS INTERNATIONAL DAY – TRINIDADIAN HIGH COMMISSION. Wednesday, 20 July. JLS will be holding their International Day, Wednesday, 20 July. The Trinidadian High Commissioner, His Excellency Garvin Nicholas will open the event at 11:00 am and the celebrations will continue until 1:00 pm. JLS will be celebrating their diversity of students from over 35 different countries because they appreciate that God has brought them together for a purpose. Students and staff will be dressed in their national costumes and colours of their countries. All welcome. John Loughborough School, Holcombe Road, Tottenham, N17 9AD. Contact: Verona Hoilett <secretary@johnloughborough.haringey.sch.uk>. Phone: 020 88087837.

JAIME JORGE LIVE IN CONCERT. Thursday, 21 July. World renowned violinist and recording artist, seen on 3ABN and the Hope Channel at Stoke on Trent Church, 69 Victoria Street, Basford on Thursday, 21 July at 7:30 pm. This is a very rare opportunity to see and hear Jaime's inspiring music and testimony live on his first ever visit to the North England Conference. Contact: Jean Hardy Baerg <jaman_j@hotmail.com>. Phone: 01782 625712.

MEETING OF THE MINDS: SHARING MUSIC AND POETRY. Sabbath, 23 July. Music for the Mind – A programme of original praise and thanksgiving by musicians and poets intended to edify the mind. Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm, Camp Hill Adventist Church, Birmingham, B12 0JP. Possible open mic time. Contact: Diana Sinclair <musicadvisor@me.com>. Phone: 07886203696.

PREMIER PRESENTS: LYRICAL SOLDIER LIVE IN CONCERT. Sabbath, 23 July. Michael Agyei (from South East Community Adventist church), also known as Lyrical Soldier, is a preacher, singer, rapper and a spoken word poet. In a nutshell, he truly is the epitome of a "Lyrical Evangelist". In concert on Sabbath, 23 July at Regent Hall, Oxford Street from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm (registration from 6:30 pm). Why not invite your family, friends and church to this event? Tickets are strictly limited so get yours now! Contact: Premier Gospel Radio <response@premier.org.uk>. Phone: 08456 52 52 52.

SHOULDA COULDA WOULDA. Sunday, 24 July. From the writer of "Love Sax and all that Jazz", comes a new production from Alan Charles "Shoulda Coulda Woulda", based on the songs and vocals of Vanessa Brigg, one of Trinidad and Tobago's top gospel singers. It's a story of triumph over adversity, it tells the story and how music, mission and love for God were used to overcome a life of abuse, pain, anguish and suicidal attempts. It's a story of hope for the hopeless, rest for the weary and peace for the downtrodden. Crescent Theatre, Sheepcote St, Birmingham, B16 AE. Tickets £15 adv or £17.50 at the door. Box Office 0121 643 5858 or 07989 574 066. Contact: Alan <focusarts@yahoo.co.uk>.

IRISH MISSION CAMP MEETING. Friday, 29 July to Monday, 1 August, Kilnasoolagh, County Clare, Ireland. Join us for a spirit filled weekend. Speakers for the weekend will be Dr Richard de Lisser, Stewardship director of the South England Conference and author of "The Credit Crunch Christian; Dr Diana Sinclair, Music teacher, composer, choir director, worship leader and currently Music director for the North England Conference. Also joining us will be Pastor Julian Hibbert from the Stanborough Press and the Adventist Book Centre. A variety of accommodation options are available. Day visitors are also welcome. Booking is essential. Visit http://irish.adventistchurch.ie/camp-meeting-2011 for full details. Contact: Weiers Coetser <weiers@adventist.ie>. Phone: +442840627782.

HEALTH EXPO HORLEY GATWICK CHURCH. Sabbath, 30 July to Sunday, 31 July. Horley Gatwick church is conducting a Health Expo in Crawley at the Hawth Theatre. The two-day event will be run by volunteers from 13:00 hours to 17:00 hours both days. This is a community event offering free services. Venue: The Hawth Theatre & Conference Complex, Hawth Avenue, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 6YZ. Contact: Sheryl Perry <sherylann11@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07712894717.

GOOD NEWS GOSPEL EXPLOSION. Sabbath, 30 July. Greenwich Adventist church brings you The Good News Gospel Explosion, with Pastor Evangelist Claudius Morgan, from St Vincent. A leading evangelist in the Inter-American Division and more. Opening topic: Why is London under
The nightly meetings will also feature a young talented, international gospel sensation, Tiffany Campbell-Dailey – singing since the age of three, performing solo at 6. Tiffany has dedicated her life and talent in service to the Lord. Contact: Timon Fermin <info@greenwichadventist.org.uk>. Phone: 07944351801.

ALL I CAN DO IS PRAISE (NORBURY YOUTH DAY). Sabbath, 30 July. Come and join the Norbury Seventh-day Adventist youth in their day of singing, testimonies, poetry and prayers of praise! Speaker: John Davis from North Wembley. Afternoon talk on relationships where 6 members of the church will be answering questions from the congregation on relationships as well as giving their views and testimonies on their relationships! Venues: (Morning service 9:30 am) Norbury Manor Primary School, Abingdon Road, London, SW16 3QR. (Afternoon service 4:30 pm) 45-49 Union Road, Croydon, CR0 2XU, (off Whitehorse Road, next to Tesco Express). Lunch provided at 45-49 Union Road. Contact: Justin Lawrence <justinlawrence1987@hotmail.com>. Phone: 07984495456.

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SMALL ADS

ADVENTIST AU PAIR required to provide childcare for a 4-year-old boy for an initial period of 3 months, subject to review. Must have childcare experience, excellent references and able to carry out some light domestic work. Contact Pamela at <alemap61@hotmail.com> or phone 07770 812553.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED for an Adventist French female student who will be studying in the University of Kent in Canterbury from 19 September to the end of June 2012. Contact laise971@gmail.com or phone 07570 015349.

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