'NO RECESSION' AT PRESS OPEN DAY [BUC News]

While figures released this week show disappointing sales growth in UK retailing during the Olympic summer, there was little evidence of a slowdown at the Stanborough Press Open Day, Grantham, on Sunday, 2 September.

Coaches, cars and minibuses pulled into the car park from as far afield as Manchester, London and Plymouth, and by midday, when Dr Leslie Pollard stood up to speak in the marquee, it was standing room only. The President of Oakwood University, Alabama, Dr Pollard is a down-to-earth speaker, immediately endearing himself to his audience with reference to Usain Bolt and other Olympic winners. With a wry smile he admitted he was "pulling for Andy Murray" to win gold in the tennis. "How much public humiliation do you want to have?" he asked.

He was making a serious point, noting that the athletes need 10,000 hours of practice for public perfection. Linking his thoughts into the Isthmus Games in Corinth that Paul witnessed and referred to in his writings, he noted that Greek runners practiced by running with weights. "The call to be a dedicated Christian takes rigour and dedication," he emphasised, noting the words in Hebrews 12 to "throw off everything that hinders." Encouraging his audience to focus he repeated that even "a good thing can become a bad thing if it keeps you from the best thing."

While excellent, Dr Pollard was just a warm-up for his wife, Dr Prudence Pollard, who came to share tips on child development and leadership with the book, she says, "she did not want to write:’'Raise a Leader – God's Way'."
"Ask ten people how to train up a child in the way he should go (Proverbs 22:6) and you will get ten answers – all of them wrong," she said. "Each child is unique and we must remember the individuality of the child," she explained as she then went on to demonstrate the importance of building trust in the first 18 months and developing the positive purposefulness of a preschool child. "Tell them their purpose at age three to five and they will live out that purpose," she emphasised. The appreciative audience stayed in their seats and packed the back of the tent not just for these two main presentations, but also for the music of Tessera, the Adventist music group who have regularly raised the profile of the Church on programmes such as the BBC's Songs of Praise, and for a humorous and animated half hour chat with the two Dr Pollards, led by Hope TV programme host, Victor Hulbert. "It was fascinating to dig into the background and see how their differing backgrounds as children, yet their families' insistence on good education, really set these two up for life," Victor reflected. That love of learning continues as the two of them imbue their love of learning in the hearts of both students and staff at Oakwood University.

By late afternoon the sales hall quietened down, the car park started to empty, but the books bought, friendships made and renewed, and lessons learnt, will last for eternity.

A selection of memories from the day can be seen in the BUC Picture Gallery.

EXTREME TEENS READY FOR ACTION! [Katie Ramharacksingh]

Where can you go canoeing, zip-wiring, paintballing, biking and power-kiting all in one week? The best answer is 'Extreme Teens Camp' in Cornwall! This year ninety teens travelled down to the Chapel Porth Caravan Site for an action-packed and spirit-filled camp led by the South England Conference Teens Ministries team. From Monday, 27 August to Sunday, 2 September, teens, counsellors and leaders enjoyed a sunny week of activities, fellowship and socialising in the stunning setting of a small coastal town in the south-west of England.

Dejan Stojkovic, SEC Teens director, commented, "It was beautiful to see that teens between 13 and 18 can be united in what they're doing. The teens themselves, and the counsellors, they are all different in age, culture and perceptions but the Holy Spirit was with us and through prayer the camp worked very well and I'm thankful to God for that."

Deciding on teams was one of the first things to happen on arrival. Girl caravans were grouped together with guy caravans to form 'tribes' like, 'Tribe on Sea', 'Rectangle Gang', 'Leave It!', 'Hot Like Fire', 'Awkward Turtle', 'YOLO' and 'Avengers'. To encourage teamwork and participation throughout the week, and with the incentive of winning first prize, tribes and tribe members were awarded points that went towards a final tally.

Cairo Duhaney-Burton, from Croydon church, was still enthused
mid-week. "It's been very good, so far, being around other people and being able to share the experience with them, we're meeting new people as well. Half the guys in my caravan, we only met at the beginning of the week and we're really good friends already and the counsellors are really nice actually!"

Canoeing, archery, paintballing, kayaking, biking and zip-wiring as well as various beach activities and on-site games kept everyone energised yet exhausted at the same time. One of the girls, Tanaka Mutanga, managed to find a crab during her canoeing session. Holding it up for everyone to see, she said, "I'm not going to kiss it because that's taking it too far, but I'll give it a stroke. I'm really conquering my fears this time!" Tanaka enthused, "I went canoeing, I saw crabs, I saw 'sucky' fish that stick onto your hands, I went around the whole coast and it was so much fun. Our coach was having a good time capsizing my boat and I had to walk up a steep hill to come back, but I had fun!"

By Friday evening the young people came together to share their testimonies and, as the evening passed, more and more opened up to the group to the point where the sermon had to be cancelled to allow each person to tell their story. Steven Hulbert, a counsellor who spoke to the teens during Sabbath worship, commented, "It was great to be able to see the teens supporting each other as they went up front and made themselves vulnerable, expressing their life and the reality of it."

With most of the campers in tears, the teens continued to encourage each other with their life stories. One of the teens spoke about how he overcame his addiction to rap by being compelled to read his Bible for hours and hours at a time, pausing only to sleep less than a couple of hours. One of the girls talked about how she has problems with her father because she can't trust him and he hadn't supported her through a family death and her mum being hospitalised. She explained that through this, she has found it hard to rekindle her relationship with God but she still thanks God for sending friends of her own age to help her through.

Dejan reflected, "It was a very sober moment as we listened to the teens. Their vulnerability was not seen as a weakness but as a healing process. It was unbelievable to see teens standing next to teens, even though they laughed and mocked each other before the service, and see them coming together."

A Sabbath filled with praise, sunshine, worship and a walk around the Cornish coast, a banquet where campers provided quality entertainment, and the camp was almost at an end.

Luke commented, "I loved Teen Camp because young people, some for the first time, were able to identify and share what God had done for them. For me, this is what Teens Ministry is all about – empowering teens to see, feel and know God in their lives for themselves – it was awesome."

Experience the exuberance of Teen Camp by enjoying the **BUC News Photo gallery.**
LADYWELL FIELDS SUMMER FESTIVAL  [Petula Peters]

Over a thousand copies of Steps to Christ and Ministry of Healing were freely given to non-Christians who attended the Ladywell Fields Summer Festival on Sunday, 19 August. This annual event, hosted by Lewisham Adventist church, brought together a multicultural gathering of families and friends from the local community. All were treated to a spectacular day of gospel music, poetry and mime. An open microphone spot saw young and old participate in a talent show that won hearts and minds. Seven-year-old Tiana Gentle demonstrated the excellent musical talent of Adventist youth that brought great applause from the jubilant crowd.

Nadine Leach 65, from Ladywell Village said: "There is such a lovely atmosphere here, it's so uplifting to see people of all different races coming together to enjoy this wonderful day." Nadine was attracted to the park by the sound of the Lewisham Pathfinder Drum Corp. The sights and smells of the food stalls and fairground rides, and the mega-tent offering free health checks, then ensured she and a host of others settled in the park for the day.

It was not just the older folks that had a wonderful time. Six-year-old Katie said, "I never heard about Jesus before today, I would like to know more about Him." The evangelistic outreach programme was a great success and many local people signed up to get further information on our unique health message, and to participate in the church's new community netball and football projects.

The winners of the football tournament, Kenningwell United FC Reserves will be receiving their trophy and medals at a special ceremony at Lewisham church – for many it will be the first time they will enter a Christian building.

STATEMENT ON WOMEN'S ORDINATION TO THE PASTORAL MINISTRY  [Bertil Wiklander/ tedNEWS / BUC News]

While the Seventh-day Adventist Church across the world is engaged in a study on the Theology of Ordination that will be presented at the 2015 General Conference Session, three Unions, one in North Germany and two in the United States, recently voted to ordain ministers 'without regard to gender'. Dr Bertil Wiklander, President of the Trans-European Division, made a presentation at the Pastors' Conference at Rogaška Slatina, Slovenia on 25 August 2012, where he explained the background and position of the TED, of which the UK and Ireland is a part. Below is a summery.

Dr Wiklander started by noting that the Trans-European Division is a Division of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. This means that the TED follows General Conference policy, except in cases where we request and are given permission to apply a variance to the common World Church policy. He noted that "These regulations in our Church law explain the position taken by the TED Executive Committee on women's ordination to the pastoral ministry."

He then outlined a history of the issues surrounding the matter of women's ordination for ministry from 1982 until the present day, noting that the ordination of women as elders was accepted by the General Conference Session in 1990 and as deaconesses in 2010.
Dr Wiklander recounted that "in May, 1989, a survey of our Unions' positions on the ordination of women was undertaken and a clear majority was then not in favour of actually ordaining women as pastors although they may not have considered it Biblically wrong to do so."

On 18 November, 2009, the TED Executive Committee voted unanimously to provide 'Revised Guidelines for Commissioning' where all that was possible to do within policy to create equality between the genders in pastoral kinds of ministry was established for the TED.

The GC Session in Atlanta in June/July 2010, voted that the Church would study the theology of ordination and seek a better Biblical understanding of what ordination really means: If the Church can ordain women as church elders and deaconesses, then why not also as pastors? This is going to be a very comprehensive work that includes women's ordination and all aspects of ordination in the Church.

The TED is now fully engaged in this work and our Executive Committee will be asked to authorise our research report in November, 2013. A coordinating body at the GC will then study the research from all 13 Divisions and provide a report which will go to the GC leadership in the summer of 2014. If recommended by the GC Annual Council in October, 2014, a motion will go to the floor of the GC Session in San Antonio in 2015. We take the view in the TED that we actively participate in the study of ordination and then we wait and see what will be the outcome, believing that the Spirit of God will lead this matter to a good solution for His Church.

Meanwhile a November 2011 decision by the TED Executive Committee voted "to affirm again the role of its women leaders, pastors and lay members," and "To proactively work to support the development of women in leadership within the TED and to present a road map to the TED Spring Meetings 2012 as to how this could be done. This work is ongoing."

Dr Wiklander told ministers, "I want to say to you that I have never made a secret of my own personal conviction. I accept women's ordination as being Biblical and appropriate. But I am also very concerned that we manage this important matter in harmony and cooperation with the World Church. I know that the Lord will bless our joint efforts to explore His Word and to share it with our brothers and sisters worldwide. And I think the best thing we can do is to pray for the Spirit of God to lead His Church to understand this matter in harmony with His will. As keepers of the heritage of the Protestant Reformation, let us see this matter from a spiritual perspective and ask God to lead us to an understanding of His truth. And let us do it in a spirit of respect for each other, knowing that we all seek the truth and that Christ has promised that the Holy Spirit will 'guide us into all truth'."

The full statement by Dr Wiklander is available on the TED website.

'TREE OF LIFE' IS A WINNER! [Vivienne Barratt-Peacock]

Even a seven-year-old can witness – and that in a secular environment. Benjamin Barratt-Peacock was delighted to return from holiday to find a letter for him, confirming that he had won the National Forest Draw-a-Tree Competition. Benjamin has always been fascinated by the descriptions of heaven in the Bible and, when asked what favourite tree he would like to draw, answered immediately, "The Tree of Life!"

Benjamin's picture was first viewed by the Lord Mayor of Leicester at his school fete before being sent off to join entries from schools all over the East Midlands. The Mayor was very interested in the unusual subject of the picture.
Benjamin attended the National Forest Wood Fair on Monday, 27 August and saw his winning picture on display. It will next be taken to be displayed at a Derbyshire Arts Festival. Benjamin hopes that his picture will help some of the fifteen thousand people who attend these two events to stop and think and maybe be encouraged to read Revelation 22 to find out what the Tree of Life is really all about.

Evangelism can certainly take many forms!

**WHY JOIN THE CULTURAL OLYMPIAD? [Philip Herbert]**

Leicester Central church member, Philip Herbert, lives for music, so his reaction to the 2011 widespread riots in several London boroughs and other towns and cities in the UK was to react with Biblical wisdom, "How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity." [Psalm 133:1]

For him, using his God-given talents, that unity could be enhanced by contributing to the cultural Olympiad, a series of art events happening in towns and cities across the UK. Philip states, "As a musician and composer, I am called upon to use these gifts to the best of my ability to praise God. I am called to be a citizen that is able to live in harmony with the community of people that surround me."

"When I heard that the Olympic and Paralympic Games was about to happen, I was prodded by a few friends and colleagues to tender an idea. I thought that with the world gathering together for these sporting festivals in London would be a key opportunity to celebrate internationalism. By this I mean people coming together, as opposed to being at war with each other, as we are in so many parts of the world."

The result is a musical journey across the world, something which, Philip says, "will enable people from all cultural backgrounds to feel that they could attend this concert, knowing that there is a cultural experience to celebrate the part of the world from which they are from."

The concert title is Ballare – a Latin word meaning to dance, an umbrella under which an array of music can sit. It is not just the music. The musicians are also from different cultural backgrounds, including the classically trained who play in some of the finest orchestras in London, along with those who are equally renowned for their work as world music instrumentalists, playing the solo steel pan, guitar, sitar, tabla and bandoneon. The result is a concert, and the instrumentalists are joined by Lee Payne (of Sky 1’s Got to Dance) a tap dancer who will use his feet as a percussion instrument, rather than as a dancer, within the texture of the percussion instruments.

Philip recalls an orchestral musician saying to him, "a steel pan is not really an instrument!" In the research and development phase of his project, he remembers how people were astonished that he gave the solo steel pan the role of a soloist, and the classical string ensemble the role of accompanist. "The question is, 'what do you see when you look beyond stereotypes of the people you think you know?" Philip asks. "The musicians in this concert are working together harmoniously across musical traditions, world music meets classical music on an equal footing."

He relates the same to the Church he loves. "How much more should we as Adventists, instead of our separate churches to suit our own individual cultural preferences... dwell together in unity!"

Find out more about Philip and Ballare concert venues and dates at <[www.philipherbert.org](http://www.philipherbert.org)>.
CHRISTIAN SUPPORT FOR WORLD BELLYBOARDING CHAMPIONSHIPS  [Steven Hulbert]

I awoke Sunday morning shattered, I had just spent a week sleeping on a Chapel Porth caravan couch at 'Extreme Teens Camp'. After a week in lovely sunshine, various cool activities, awesome worship, basketball, and visits to the beach, this morning the clouds and the rain moved in and I was up after three hours of sleep to join in something completely different taking place just down the hill from the campsite: the World Bellyboarding Championship's 10th anniversary.

Organised and run by the National Trust, the championship is a celebration of all things connected with the art of riding traditional wooden boards. Run on the first Sunday of September each year, it is a very simple, back-to-basics competition – no wetsuits, no leashes and no swim fins.

David Renyard a leader for Christian Surfers UK was one of the judges for the competition and requested the help of LIVE St Austell, and Adventist church plant ministry, to help in the running of the event.

It was amazing fun seeing different people of various ages from 4 to over 80 turning up in so many different costumes and old school swimsuits. The rain didn't put them off at all as they came to represent this amazing British surfing tradition on Chapel Porth beach. I was joined by my wife, Jena, and Jake Jackson, a volunteer at LIVE St Austell, to run the tabulation out of a VW van, compiling all the scores given by the judges on each heat throughout the day.

It was a privilege to be involved in such a well-organized event as this and to meet such nice people. They were really grateful for our help and at the end of the day there were smiles all-round. Our hope is that this opportunity allows for LIVE St Austell to be involved and invited to other such events in the near future so that relationships with the local people of Cornwall can be made, so that through us God can be made known.

Our motto for the day was Colossians 1:27: "To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.”

CROSS DISTRICT EVANGELISM IN EAST ANGLIA  [Bertie de Nysschen]

Two pastors are joining evangelistic hands in East Anglia this autumn in an experiment that will see double presentations in the form of what Pastor Bertie de Nysschen describes as a semi-news anchor breakfast TV style presentation. Together with Pastor Theo Rios, they will both present on a topic, thus creating a bit of a ‘lighter’ atmosphere and hopefully drawing in the interest of the audience to the point where they will be eager to come back for the next topic.

Shuffling between Great Yarmouth and Norwich with six programmes in each venue, the programme which start on Monday, 10 September is highlighted by a spot-lit banner on the church, half-page adverts in the local paper, but principally by personal invitation of family and friends.
The experiment in evangelism aims for both topical and local relevance including subjects such as 'Why the European Union is failing', and 'Why there are both Roman ruins and cathedrals in Norfolk'.

Church leadership has been calling for more and innovative evangelism. This is just one answer.

**61ST NORTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE SESSION**  [Jeff Nicholson, NEC Communication Director]

The 61st Session of the North England Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene next week on Thursday and Friday, 13 - 14 September 2012 at the Cheltenham Racecourse and Conference Centre in Gloucestershire. Under the banner, 'Citizens of the Kingdom', organisers are taking a break from tradition by running business for just two days, climaxing in a Day of Fellowship on the Sabbath.

An early start registration at 7:30 am Thursday with business starting at 9:30 am, means that the 350 delegates will come with a Recommendations Committee already appointed, and be immediately ready for action over the two days.

The Session will culminate with a Day of Fellowship on Sabbath when the new Conference administration will be introduced. Guest speaker for the day will be BUC President, Pastor Ian Sweeney. The venue can accommodate over 2,000 people with some 1,200 free car parking spaces so all are welcome to attend. The address for the Session and Day of Fellowship is Cheltenham Racecourse, Prestbury Park, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL50 4SH. Attendees are asked to bring their lunches for the day.

Your prayers are solicited as the delegation choose leaders to further advance the work of the Church in these challenging times.

You can follow the events of the Session by visiting the BUC Twitter and Facebook feeds. The NEC Twitter and Facebook feeds will also be updated. The Session book is available online. A special edition of BUC News will be available Friday evening, 14 September.

**BUC NEWS SPECIAL EDITION**

There will be no regular edition of BUC News for the next two weeks due to holidays and the marriage of the editor's daughter! A special edition focusing solely on the NEC Session news will be published on Friday evening, 14 September. The next regular edition will be published on Friday, 28 September.

**PROGRAMMES TO WATCH THIS WEEK**

Here are some programme highlights for the coming week:

On Revelation TV (Sky 581 or Freesat 692): FaithTalks: Kirsten Øster-Lundqvist asks, "Does God exist?" on Thursday, 6 September at 8:30 pm. Repeated Sunday lunchtime, 9 September, 1:00 pm. Next week, Thursday 13 September and Sunday 16 September, the subject is, "The problem of evil".

On Hope TV you can watch a wide variety of programmes on the
Next week's schedule includes the following UK produced programmes among its much larger international output:

Friday 7 September: 8:00 pm: Mervyn Weir – Creative Arts, Creative God, 8:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Is Religion Good For Children?", Midnight: Mervyn Weir
Sabbath 8 September: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: Mervyn Weir, 7:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Is Religion Good For Children?"
Monday 10 September: 12:30 pm: Naomi Watson – Living life to the full, 9:30 pm: Viewpoint: Is violence ever acceptable?
Wednesday 12 September: 8:00 am: Is violence ever acceptable?, 11:00 pm: Mike Simpson – Reaching inner city youth, Midnight: Searching for a God to love, (Humble Assurance I)
Friday 14 September: 8:00 pm: Jim Cunningham – Why education is so important, 8:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Teens and Faith", Midnight: Jim Cunningham
Sabbath 15 September: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: Jim Cunningham, 7:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Teens and Faith"

COMING EVENTS

'THE BETTER OPTION' SERIES.  Continuing to Sabbath, 15 September.  An Evangelistic Campaign at Willeseaden Seventh-day Adventist church, 1 Glebe Road, London, NW10 2JD. Nightly (except Thursdays), 7:00 pm and Saturday's 11:00 am and 7:00 pm on 1st, 8th and 15th. Speaker: Joseph Smith (Northern Caribbean University). Contact: Serene Allen <sgallen89@gmail.com>.

HAPPINESS IN JESUS.  Continuing to Sabbath, 15 September.  Come and support the 2-week Evangelistic Community Campaign at the High Wycombe Community church (formerly Sands). Main speakers include international evangelist Pastor Mark Braithwaite and co-evangelist Pastor Moore.  7:30 pm start all nights (except Thursdays).  For additional information, call 01494 539 802 or visit website - www.wycombecommunitychurch.org. Contact: WCC <info@wycombecommunitychurch.org. Phone: 01494 539 802.

CROYDON PARALYMPICS DISABILITY AWARENESS DAY.  Sabbath, 8 September.  Croydon Adventist church, 95 Selhurst Road, South Norwood, London, SE25 6LH. Contact: Pastor Daly <richarddaly7@gmail.com>. Phone: 07958 433744.

HEAVENLY OLYMPICS: GOING FOR GOLD. Sabbath, 8 September. Wednesfield Adventist Church Youth Day. The Olympics united 204 nations and gripped the attention of hundreds of millions of viewers worldwide. We hope to unite youth from both the community and churches to learn and gain knowledge about an incorruptible heavenly prize on offer which will last for eternity. The preachers (renamed coaches) for the day are two well abled members of our Youth department. Assistant Youth leader Jonathan McCool and Febbie Sulumba will deliver short, practical messages. Contact: Leon Ferguson <leonferguson@live.co.uk>. Phone: 01902865471.

LONDONLIVE'S "WE WORSHIP YOU" LIVE WORSHIP ALBUM. Sabbath, 8 September. Come and join LondonLive at 4:30 pm for the live recording of our first praise & worship album. Featuring all original LondonLive songs, written by members of the local LondonLive congregation. It's simply going to be a phenomenal worship experience. Bring a friend and see you there! 4:30 pm @ NHCC (next to Kitchen & Pantry), Kensington Park Road, London, W11 2ES. Contact: Pastor Paul King Brown <londonlivenh@gmail.com>. Phone: 07810560495.

CONFLICT – THE FIGHT FOR YOUR LIFE. Sabbath, 8 September. An intriguing and real life dramatic Christian stage play depicts the lives of two families and various conflicts they face. It reveals deep, authentic, emotional yet entertaining insight into everyday life situations many of us can relate to. A scintillating production for the entire family. Tickets: £15(standard); £17.50 (at the door);
£12.50 (groups); £10 (students). Fairfield Hall, Croydon. Doors open 7:30. Show Time 8:00pm. Tickets from the Box Office: 0208 688 9291. Contact: Jackie Wright <damariproductions@yahoo.com>. Phone: 07852002545.


FRIENDSHIP HOME CARERS – LUTON. Thursday, 13 September. Notice of Annual General Meeting for Luton Friendship Home Carers. 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Luton Central Seventh-day Adventist Church, 1 North Street, Luton, LU2 7QD. Contact: Jean McLeary <none@none.org.uk>. Phone: 01582 736157.

TELFORD CHURCH CHILDREN'S DAY. Sabbath, 15 September. "Creation" Children's Day in Telford Adventist church at 11:15 am. Presenters Pastor Clyde & Sis Anette Moore, Welsh Mission Family & Children's Ministries sponsors. An interactive worship service for children of all ages. All children are welcome so bring all your friends – parents can come too. A fellowship lunch will be provided followed by an afternoon of Friends & Heroes DVDs. Contact: Anette Moore <anette.moore@yahoo.co.uk>. Phone: 01939 234785.

GOSPEL EXTRA 2012. Sabbath, 15 September to Sabbath, 29 September. Why is this world in such a mess? Broken homes, loneliness, homelessness, corruption, failure, power struggles, fear, and financial crisis. Is there any hope? Yes! Come and be empowered at Gospel Extra 2012. A 2-week Evangelistic Campaign with evangelist Pastor Kirk Thomas. Sabbaths 11:00 am and 7:30 pm and weekdays at 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm (except Thursdays). Venue: Hounslow Cornerstone Seventh-day Adventist church, 175 Heston Road, Hounslow, TW5 0QU. Contact: Maureen Rock <maureenrock@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07768304026.

LEADERSHIP BOOT CAMP: "THE MOUNTAIN WITHIN". Continues Sabbath 15 September and 17 November. Central London church is hosting "Leadership Boot Camp: The Mountain Within" Part 3. Inspirational and practical sessions that will help you in your team building skills in everyday life and family relationships. Time: 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm with Herta von Stiegel. Two remaining session/workshops. Please contact us for further details or questions. Contact: Svetla <office@centrallondonchurch.org>. Phone: 07956196643.

AREA 6D PATHFINDER RALLY DAY. Sabbath, 15 September. Inviting all Area 6D Pathfinders and Youth to come and enjoy a Day of Fellowship and meeting your fellow club members in your area at the Little Eden Independent School, Eastcote Lane North, Northolt, Middx, UB5 4HW. Featuring: Drum display, Puppet school and much more... Afternoon programme includes the Area Bible Bowl Experience competition. This is a free ticket event. Contact us for more information: Kennedy Kundan <k kk_kennedy@hotmail.com> . Phone: 07534978222.

ROLLER GOSPEL JAM 2012. Saturday, 22 September. Fundraiser in aid of the New Life Adventist Youth Club project. Come and roller-skate to the latest in urban Gospel music played by DJ Ministry plus surprise live PA. Starts at 7:30 pm until 11:30 pm. Food & drink on sale all night. £10.00 entry includes skate hire; knee/elbow pads plus free skating lessons. Venue: Newham Leisure Centre, 281 Prince Regent Lane, Plaistow, London, E13 8SD. Please contact Clive on 07946457108 for more info. Email <youthclub@newlifesda.org.uk>.

SEC SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM – GRAND OPENING. Sunday, 23 September. The South England Conference Sabbath School and Personal Ministries departments are launching the School of Evangelism at John Loughborough School. Course fee: £40, with a non-refundable registration fee of £10. Registration closes Friday, 7 September. Contact: Mavis Bramble
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GOSPEL HEROES SHOWCASE. Thursday, 27 September & Sunday, 30 September. A full day of gospel music singing by soloists and group acts in front of judges to try to win a pass as part of the Gospel Heroes Talent Search Showcase. All styles and forms of gospel music will be featured. Venue: Balham Adventist Church Hall, 83 Elmfield Road, Balham, London, SW17 8AD. Time: 12:00 noon to 8:00 pm, doors open at 11:00 am. Dates: 27 September and 30 September. Further details of the events please visit: http://www.herostars.co.uk/gospel-heroes-showcase/. Contact: Henshaw E Ehi <henshaw@herostars.tv>. Phone: 07831070998.


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SMALL ADS

SINGLE PROFESSIONAL FEMALE seeks one bedroom unfurnished flat to rent in Belvedere/Welling/South East London. Available from end of September/mid October. Please email Petula Peters at petula.peters77@googlemail.com or phone 07756249389.

REQUIRED: Additional staff to lead out and/or assist in children's activities (up to age 15) at the Support Network for Adventist Parents Family Weekend on the weekend of 26 to 28 October at Hill House Christian Retreat Centre, Otterhampton, Bridgwater, Somerset. Staff must be CRB checked for Adventist church activities. All reasonable expenses will be reimbursed. If interested, please contact Mike & Vicky Beamish on 01242 890566 or email: snap.sda@tesco.net.

AU-PAIR AVAILABLE: Christiane Kopf, a seventeen-year-old girl from Austria would like to work in the UK as an au-pair for 3 - 4 months from September 2013. For further details please email chrissy.kopf@gmx.net.

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