FROM SATANIST TO JESUS IN ONE 'PEACE'FUL WEEK

Two professing Satanists have changed the direction of their lives after stumbling across PEACE students at a North England holiday camp. The twenty PEACE students are staying in Ainsdale at the Pontins Holiday camp with classes being held nearby in a rented facility.

The teenage Satanist couple were met by one of our students while he was checking his email in the main lobby area. As they asked what he was doing here and he said that he was not on holiday but was going to a Bible school, the conversation moved to spiritual themes. They were able to schedule a further Bible study and throughout the week they had four Bible studies with the couple and they were able to share the good news of salvation, the origin of sin and the word of God. Before the couple left to go home they accepted Jesus as their Saviour.

The PEACE 2012 four-month School of Evangelism has gotten off to a great start with a wonderful location, great students and inspiring outreach experiences. Running from July to December in the North West town of Southport, the school is supporting the work that the NEC Personal Ministries and Church Planting department has been doing in the town for several years. Taskforce workers have been in the area sharing Bible studies, holding seminars and building up the small Adventist congregation. Now PEACE is assisting in the local outreach efforts. This is part of the intentional evangelistic strategy of the North England Conference.

Of the twenty students this year, 16 are from England and one is from Holland. These are joined by three students from the USA who have come to gain experience at an evangelism school while in a different and new country. The students range in age from 17 to 65 from a variety of backgrounds.
While it is really pleasant to be by the beach and so close to nature, with opportunities for walks, to breathe fresh sea air and to have sunset vespers on the beach, the main advantage of staying on a site where there may be 1000-2500 other people each week is that it brings many witnessing opportunities and chances for Bible study with people who are in a relaxed, holiday mood.

Door to door witnessing is an important part of the PEACE training. Scott and Jay found prayer answered on the first day of this kind of outreach. Brian opened the door and asked the students what church they were from. They answered him the first time in the way that they were trained to by saying that they were Christians and were working with Amazing Facts which is a Christian TV and radio ministry.

The man stopped them and asked again, 'what church do you attend?' They told him that they were Seventh-day Adventists. He then had a huge smile on his face and said that he had been praying that a Seventh-day Adventist would come around and knock on his door. They scheduled a Bible study with him and straight away called the Outreach coordinator, Craig Gooden, who came round to find them both over the moon with excitement.

This weekend an evangelistic campaign will start in Southport Town Hall. Students have worked with the study contacts that we have gained as well as distributing thousands of leaflets in the area along with other modes of advertising. We are praying that God will bring honest people who are earnestly seeking to know God to these meetings and ask that you would pray also. The campaign will run for the next four weeks.

BUILDING BRIDGES AFTER THE RIOTS  [Helen Pearson]  Also a BUC News Video Report

It is family, not government, who will provide the real solutions to the underlying problems that led to the Tottenham riots that spread out across London and other parts of England last year.

This may be a surprising statement from a former government minister and current backbench MP but it is exactly the message that the Right Honourable David Lammy, MP for Tottenham, shared at Newbold College on Tuesday evening, 16 October. The occasion was the 2012 Beach Lecture and Lammy's title, based on his recent book on the subject was: 'Out of the Ashes: Building Bridges after the Riots'.

Mr Lammy, who grew up in Tottenham very close to the present Adventist church there, knows from experience about deprivation. His father left him and his mother when Lammy was 12 and just beginning the remarkable educational career that led him to become the first black Briton to graduate from Harvard Law School and eventually become an MP and government minister.

His lecture focused on his own experience of the inner city riots since the 1980s and his attempts to make sense of what was happening. He described his bewilderment as a teenager trying to make sense of the 1980s riots in Broadwater Farm, Brixton, and Bristol. As an adult politician he sees the roots of the 1980s riots in economic deprivation, racial unrest, mistrust of the police, educational streaming and a failed youth training scheme. But the London riots of 2011 had different causes and the media did not understand that. 'During last year's riots,' said Lammy, 'journalists wanted to write the story as if it was the old story. But it was not.'

To clarify his picture of the roots of last year's riots, Lammy described 'two quiet revolutions'. The rights revolution of the 60s taught ethnic minorities and women to believe that they had the right to live their own lives. So 'bankers had the right to their bonuses, MPs to their duck houses, journalists to their hacked phone conversations and rioters to the contents of the Foot Locker store.'
The economic revolution followed. Under Thatcher, Blair and Brown people learned, 'you can make as much money as you want, unregulated, unchecked.' 'Workless working class communities and especially worklessness for many young people in London's tower blocks are,' Lammy suggested, 'the result of the economic liberal environment.'

'We can't always look to the state to provide solutions to these problems,' Lammy told his 70-strong audience in Newbold's Salisbury Hall. 'We can use the state to ameliorate the worst effects of the economic liberal environment,' but 'it's usually parents that lift children out of poverty - not the state.'

He described the challenges that faced families where both parents have two jobs and neglect their children in order to keep the family supported. 'So who's raising children?' he asked. 'If we allow gangster rappers to be role models, no wonder we have knife crime.' Where primary support once came from mum and dad, now it appears to be Twitter, Facebook and TV, and the values of the street, he noted.

He talked about making fathers responsible by insisting that legally their names must be on their child's birth certificate. The Q&A session which concluded the evening concentrated on fatherhood and mentoring and ways to develop support for children within religious communities. 'If you create a child you are responsible for raising that child,' he argued. At the same time he encouraging responsible adults to engage in mentoring programmes – an area, he noted, frequently inhabited by people of faith.

Lammy spoke quietly. He supported his arguments with facts. He didn't rubbish his opponents. He made people think. He didn't claim to have all the answers. Most of all, perhaps, he made the members of his audience wish that more politicians of all parties brought to their analysis of British urban society his common-sense values allied with his Christian faith. Many in his audience agreed. Newbold church member, Kelvin Watson, confessed he had come to the lecture with a somewhat cynical mindset, expecting political platitudes. He left delighted, sensing a politician with a real burden for people.

If you missed the lecture you can watch it online. Also watch a BUC News video interview with Mr Lammy highlighting the rationale for his lecture and book. The book, 'Out of the Ashes: Britain after the Riots', is also well worth a read.

**LORANCE JOHNSON – ISAIAH VISION FOR THE FUTURE**

Called from the relaxation of a Caribbean holiday to the sudden challenge of North England Conference President, Pastor Lorance Johnson confessed in a BUC News video report this week that he felt rather like Moses, "always seeing my deficiencies."

However, while recognising "the chair is far too big" for him to fill, he chose not to run away from what he saw as God's calling, but rather "just learn to trust in Him."

Pastor Johnson may appear to be a quiet and unassuming leader, but at his heart is a determined call for spiritual leadership and for full member involvement in the life and mission of the Church. "I am holistically a believer in the promotion of evangelism," he stated. Using Isaiah 58 as a base, he sees the
combination of character building and going out and meeting the needs of people where they are as a solid, practical approach to Adventist mission in the north of England.

Looking back at his own ministry, Pastor Johnson passionately argues that his vision for the future is to see the "character of God reflected in every member." "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God," is his byline, and in the interview he encourages members to read more, study more, "learning about Christ and learning to imitate Him."

The full interview is available for viewing or download from the UK Hope TV website.

'THE BETTER OPTION' SERIES [Norma-Elaine Whyte]

Two weeks of compelling, passionate and vibrant ministry by Pastor Joseph Smith, from the Northern Caribbean University, supported by his wife, Orchid Smith; exuberant praise and worship, and a health awareness segment, were the components of 'The Better Option' evangelistic series at Willesden church, 1 - 15 September.

The nightly messages, to a packed sanctuary, on most evenings were streamed live, and were preceded by 'cutting edge' health presentations. These included, maintaining a healthy heart, the prostate, and children's holistic health. The ambience for worship was then ushered in by 'The Better Option' video and inspirational praise and worship.

The first message of the campaign, 'Embracing the Better Option', focused on abiding in a relationship with God and living a life that counts. Pastor Smith highlighted that it is only when this is 'borne in mind that direction to a better way will be realized'. His second message, 'The Need for Promoting the Better Option', considered 'popularity versus salvation' and 'pleasing the congregation versus pleasing God'.

Undoubtedly, hearts were indeed stirred and minds educated as one individual, in particular, said 'I didn't want to miss one night' and that 'your heart had to be made of stone if you were not touched.' This was evidenced in the baptism of three individuals on Sabbath, 8 September.

The second week of 'The Better Option' series commenced with an exposition on 'The Better Option to Debt'. This was followed by 'The Better Option to Obedience' and 'Experiencing the Better Option', which focused on family life and the inherent responsibilities of every member in each family.

An exclusive interview with Pastor Smith during the week afforded us with the perfect opportunity to discover more about his upbringing and 'call to ministry'. Whilst giving an overview of his 'journey', he highlighted his passion for both evangelism and young people. He states that his current administrative role at Northern Caribbean University, has allowed him much needed time to 'reflect on his ministry'. This he views as being that of 'teaching and nurturing'; teaching people about knowing Christ, about the Seventh-day Adventist Church and, indeed about 'the better option of serving Christ'.

Accepting the Lord Jesus as Saviour and Lord, along with the meaning of and steps to baptism, were the main thrusts of the final presentations. The baptism of a further nine individuals and, as stated by one member, 'renewed spiritual focus', were thus realized on the Sabbath, 15 September, the final day of 'The Better Option' series.
Addressing Pastor Smith and, indeed the congregation, Pastor Des Boldeau exuberantly expressed his gratitude to the leaders, caterers, musicians and indeed the membership of Willesden church, all of whom, contributed to what he believed was a 'successful campaign'.

**ASNA ANNUAL CARERS' WEEKEND: HEALTH AND WELL-BEING** [Sophia Nicholls]

Carers need a break, and for members of the Adventist Special Needs Association, it comes every October, as they shared their 7th annual carers' respite weekend, 12 - 14 October at the Oxford Belfry Hotel, Thame.

It was "Another amazing, relaxing and spiritual weekend," according to one carer. "I always feel so relaxed when I come to these weekends" stated another regular attendee. A first timer added that she felt "welcomed and blessed to be here!"

Pastor Paul Liburd, newly appointed Family Ministries director at the NEC, took carers through the Bible on a spiritual health check. He reminded the carers to be encouraged through difficult times because 'difficulties are there to aid our learning' and that 'difficult times and challenges develop spiritual "muscles"' providing strength to support others going through similar experiences.

Sonia Munroe, Carer advisor, presented a practical financial health check. Grace Walsh, NEC Health Ministries and Disability director added a physical health check. Joni Blackwood, indoor health walk leader took delegates for a three mile indoor walk. Cheering at the end of the walk, carers said how much they had enjoyed all the sessions and were inspired to continue the health renewal.

For further details about ASNA and to keep up to date with events, visit the [ASNA website]. Next year's Carers' weekend will be 11 - 13 October.

**WOMEN AND WELL-BEING** [Holloway Women's Ministries Department]

Sexual health, relationships, body parts, fashion and miracles were some of the topics covered in Women's Ministries week at Holloway church, 23 - 29 September 2012. The church opened its doors to the community and issues were discussed and techniques explored that could be used to empower individuals to manage daily situations, such as Parenting Teens.

Cecile Mwaniki challenged women to be starters not followers. She stated that "we can do anything we want with God's help." Other workshops were presented by Grace Adesina, Malika Bediako, Valerie Bernard-Allen and Patsy Reid.

Friday night was teen-focused where they learnt that when they fall in love with Jesus nothing can stand in their way. The teens came out with statements that helped us to reflect on the behaviour of older members towards them and how discouraging it can be at times.

Resources and handouts relating to each workshop were given out each night as well as books. The feedback from the week was positive, particularly as there were numerous requests for certain workshops to be repeated.
On Sabbath, a pink bow was presented to all members to raise awareness of Breast Cancer and a special offering was raised which will go towards Breast Cancer Research.

"I AM HEALED, PRAISE GOD!" [Janet Hamilton, MOHAP Founding Director]

The first Ministry of Healing and Prayer (MOHAP) day retreat took place on Sunday, 7 October at Newbold church, Binfield. Some of the hundred or so attendees had an early start, travelling from as far as Wales and Newcastle, in order to be on time for the 9:30 am registration.

Pastor Curtis Murphy (NEC Stewardship director) started the day with a rousing praise and worship session. We were also blessed in the morning and afternoon with beautiful meditational renditions on the flute by Hopieann Platt.

The fitting theme for the day was 'Lord Make Me Whole'. Dr Michael Hamilton (TED Prayer Ministries director) reminded us that the power of God was manifested in the healing of the paralytic in the gospel of Luke, and that the same healing power is available to us today and can provide healing for all the maladies that cripple us, whether they be physical, spiritual or mental.

Dr Christopher Levy, an emergency physician and lifestyle doctor, gave a thoughtful presentation on chronic diseases and the impact they have on individuals and those around them. He emphasised the necessity for individuals to seek the appropriate treatment for their illness and also to present our illnesses before the Lord for His intervention, but not just as a last resort.

Sharon Platt-McDonald (BUC Health Ministries director) enthusiastically outlined how a healthy 'rainbow diet' of fruits and vegetables, positive thought patterns and willingness to forgive can positively impact both our emotional well-being and our physical health.

Janet Hamilton (MOHAP Founding director) facilitated a short interactive discussion that led to the conclusion that we should trust God's will for our life because we serve a sovereign God who wants to heal us. For some the healing will occur on this earth and for others it will be in the earth made new.

A number of individuals gave powerful testimonies as to how God had healed them and provided protection in times of crisis. One individual relayed how after suffering nearly a year of extreme chronic back pain, physicians had offered an operation to alleviate the pain; however the operation carried potential serious risks. This individual received anointing, put her trust in God and waited. Healing did not come immediately, but it did come, weeks later. One morning she awoke and the pain had completely gone and never returned. Another individual testified at the end of the day: "I came in with a request for healing and I'm leaving healed. Praise God!" The day was punctuated with corporate prayer and Heather Haworth (BUC Prayer Ministries director,) reverently facilitated the private meditative prayer in twos sessions.

While a number of local pastors and church leaders from across England were in attendance throughout the day, more pastors arrived in the afternoon to specifically minister in the anointing service. Pastor Emmanuel Osei (SEC Prayer Ministries director) gave an introduction to the anointing service and outlined its Biblical authority. The day culminated with private one-to-one pastoral counselling, prayer and anointing for those requesting it in adjoining rooms.
The next MOHAP day retreat will occur in January 2013, the exact date and venue will be published shortly. For MOHAP queries contact Janet Hamilton by email: mohaprayer@ymail.com or phone: 07407 692 256.

**LOVING AND SHARING AT MARRIAGE RETREAT** [Alicia Marcano-Charles]

To be honest, I decided to attend the South England Conference 'Strength to Love' marriage retreat at Latimer Place, Buckinghamshire, just for the experience. I thought I had a fairly healthy marriage but over the weekend of 11 - 14 October, I learnt that what you don't know can hurt you!

Pastor Leslie and Irma Ackie shared understanding and some hidden truths that are necessary to lead and enrich married couples to have happier, healthier relationships. We set our own ground rules as we commenced the weekend's activities which I believe allowed us to maintain constructive and healthy interaction each day.

Pastor Ackie reminded us that we were all here to learn and everyone's comment mattered! "After all," he said, "there is over 160 years of married experience assembled." It was a pleasure to see couples ranging from five months to 29 years of marriage, which made the event fresh and informative.

There was lots of fun and laughter among us. I never even knew I had a love language before the weekend and we even started using it in our marriage and you know what? It works!

The Spirit of Love, Anger Management, Forgive to Live; these were some of the interesting topics we explored through interactive group discussions. Then, decked in our fine elegant dandies we dined and laughed the evening away at the couples' banquet as we listened to how each couple met. We then took professional photos as a reminder of that lovely evening.

I was blessed to be there and would encourage other couples to take advantage of the opportunity, whether you think you need it or not, to strengthen your love via the ministry of Pastor Leslie and Irma Ackie.

**MAKING ADVENTIST EDUCATION MORE AFFORDABLE** [James Shepley]

Many Seventh-day Adventist parents in the UK would love to be able to send their children to an Adventist school, thus ensuring consistent messages for their children at school, at home and in church. However, due to financial considerations, they may be currently opting out of the Adventist Education system.

The good news is that Adventist Education at Stanborough Secondary School, Watford, may be more affordable than you think. The fees at Stanborough are already modest compared with other private schools, and all Adventist church members are entitled to a 30% discount. Additionally, thanks to the support of Alumni and Friends of the School, the School is offering scholarships and bursaries for a second year.

Last year, 13 multi-annual scholarships and bursaries were awarded and more are now on offer. An examination for prospective students will take place on Sunday, 25 November from 14.00 to 17.00 pm for those entering Year 7, 9, and 10 in September 2013. The maximum award is worth a 50% reduction on tuition fees. Adventist parents of successful candidates will obtain this reduction in addition to the 30% denominational discount. Candidates must register and pay an administrative fee
of £10. To find out about the eligibility criteria please contact Mrs Sonia Poddar at registrar@spsch.org or call 01923 673 268.

If you benefitted from Adventist education or feel that God is impressing you to help make Adventist Education more accessible, please contact the BUC Education department and ask how you can support the Stanborough Secondary School Scholarships and Bursaries Fund.

DEATH OF JOY SMART

Following our previous announcement of the recent death of Pastor Bob Smart we are sad to announce that his wife, Joy, who was also in failing health, passed to her rest on Wednesday, 17 October 2012. It is anticipated that there will be a joint celebration of the lives of this wonderful ministerial couple at Joy's funeral. The date will be announced shortly. In the meantime we keep their children, Iris and Malcolm, in our prayers.

PROGRAMMES TO WATCH THIS WEEK

Here are some programme highlights for the coming week:

On Revelation TV (Sky 581 or Freesat 692):

**The Journey**: Dusting off the passport and the hiking boots, Victor Hulbert discovers that his joy of travel also teaches him a lesson or two about faith. Thursdays, 8:30 pm repeated Sunday lunchtime, 1 pm.

**Simply the Truth: Adventists – The hard questions**. These two programme hosted by Doug Harris in the early part of October are now available on the Simply the Truth YouTube page.

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

Friday 19 October: 8:00 pm: Michael Omolewa – Ambassador for God,
8:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Faith & Disability",
Midnight: Michael Omolewa
Sabbath 20 October: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: Michael Omolewa,
7:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Faith & Disability"
Monday 22 October: 12:30 pm: Robert Hines – Passion for teens,
9:30 pm: Viewpoint: Christians and Politics
Wednesday 24 October: 8:00 am: Christians and Politics,
11:00 pm: Daryl Gungadoo – Techi on a mission
Friday 26 October: 8:00 pm: Tom Pignon – A heart for the helpless,
8:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Why is Christianity so divisive?",
Midnight: Tom Pignon
Sabbath 27 October: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: Tom Pignon,
7:30 pm: Faith Talks: "Why is Christianity so divisive?"

COMING EVENTS

HANDSWORTH CHURCH YOUTH CAMPAIGN. Continuing to Saturday, 20 October. Transformed. Speakers include: Victor Acquah, Justin Kim and Adam Ramdin. Special Youth nights on Thursdays. Contact: Handsworth church <contactus@handsworthsda.org.uk>. Phone: 0121 374 3672.

AREA 7: CAFE 7 – ACT LIKE A LADY, THINK LIKE A MAN. Friday, 19 October. Calling all youth. Invite a friend 7:00 pm, to an evening of discussion, worship, mingling, nibbles and more. St Albans Adventist church, St Albans, AL1 3EL. Speaker: Pastor Steve Thomas. Contact: Nigel Donga – Tel 07737 682087, nigel@stayouth.com, facebook.com/a7youth.

WORSHIP CAFE @ CLC. Friday evening 19 October you will find Central London church totally changed into an inviting Worship Cafe, a place to meet each other and being met by God. Called 'The Dialogue', these monthly Worship evenings are a perfect opportunity to praise God and to bring friends along. Open-minded, creative, thought provoking, non judgmental, Cafe style – enjoyable. Free of charge, refreshments provided. Doors open from 7:00 pm, the evenings will last till 9:00 pm. Easy to reach by bus and underground. Parking in the area from 6:30 onwards. www.centrallondonchurch.org. Speaker: Pastor Paul King-Brown. Address: Crawford Place / Corner of Brendon Street, W1H 5JE, London. Contact: Pst Geert <g.tap@btinternet.com>. Phone: 07747568942.

NANCY VAN PELT – SMART PARENTING. Friday, 19 October to Sunday, 21 October. The Smart Parenting Seminar is a literal "School for Parents" where you can learn everything you need to know about parenting but were never taught, and will be conducted by leading Family Life specialist and best-selling author, Nancy Van Pelt. The seminar topics cover how to: help your child feel like somebody, talk so your child will listen, speak once and get obedience, turn irresponsible behaviour into responsibility and much more. Through the use of dynamic power point, humour and personal anecdotes, Nancy will have you laughing at your mistakes while you change to positive parental action. The seminar begins 19 October at Brixton Adventist church. To register visit www.goodparenting.org.uk. Contact: Layne <robinsonlayne@yahoo.com>. Phone: 02072748283.

UK-ZAMBIA ADVENTIST FELLOWSHIP DAY. Sabbath, 20 October. Zambian Adventists in the UK and those with any connections to Zambia, are cordially invited to a historic Day of Fellowship organised by the United Kingdom Zambian Adventist Fellowship (UKZAF). The UKZAF constitution will be formally adopted during the day. Expect excellent gospel music, preaching of the word, and fellowship, all with a Zambian touch. Guest Speaker: Pastor Julian Hibbert, Stanborough Press and MESSENGER Editor. Time: 9:30 am - 6:00 pm. Venue: Claughton Community Centre, Blowers Green Road, Dudley (near Birmingham), West Midlands, DY2 8UZ. For more information or to confirm attendance, contact the Secretary on the details below. Contact: Elias Chola Kalumba <ukzaf.communications@gmail.com>. Phone: 07967515750.

CAMP HILL YOUTH DAY. Sabbath, 20 October. All are invited to Camp Hill's autumn Youth Day entitled 'Unique' with the whole programme taken by Camp Hill young people. Come prepared for a day of singing, blessings and learning what makes Seventh-day Adventists Unique. Contact: Christine Burt <kcburt@aol.com>. Phone: 07753 326 633.

SUPPORT NETWORK FOR ADVENTIST PARENTS. Friday, 26 October to Sunday, 28 October. Family Residential Weekend at Hill House Christian Retreat Centre, near Bridgwater, Somerset. Short presentations followed by interactive discussion time. Presenters: Pr Wayne Erasmus, Pr Jacques Venter, Mike & Vicky Beamish; mainly self catering with a couple of simple warm meals provided. Family relaxation time. Relaxed rural surroundings. Costs (subsidised): Adults and children age 12+ £25 each; children age 6-11 £18 each; children age 4-5 £12 each; age 3 and under free. Contact: Mike & Vicky Beamish <snap.sda@tesco.net>. Phone: 01242 890566.

SCOTTISH MISSION CAMP MEETING. Friday, 26 October to Sunday, 28 October. Meetings and Youth Accommodation at the Windmill Christian Centre, Millgate Loan, Arbroath, Angus, Scotland, DD11 1QG. Speaker: Dr Dwight Nelson; Youth Speaker: Pr Dejan Stojkovic. Starts Friday, 26 October (registration 3:30-5:30), ends Sunday, 28 October 3:30pm. Youth age 16-30 cost £50 which includes all site fees, accommodation in shared rooms & meals. Adults/families must find, book and pay for own accommodation offsite locally in B&B, Premier Inn, or static caravans on local sites. Site fees and booked meals must be paid in advance – one application form per person. This is a ticketed event, with pre-purchased tickets from the SM Office. People arriving without tickets will not be admitted. Deadline for applications 11 October. Application forms & prices available from the Scottish Mission Office, Comraich, Gwydyr Road, Crieff, PH7 4BS, Tel 01764 65325, by email at office@sdascotland.com, or on SM website http://scottish.adventistchurch.org.uk. Contact: Carole Barratt-Peacock <office@sdascotland.com>. Phone: 01764 653257.


ENCORE HE WILL MAKE A WAY. Saturday, 27 October. Morgan and Francis share their 5th Concert: Encore. Featuring artists such as Mark Bunny, LYF Praise Team, Matthew Allen, Shiloh Singers, Natty Josiah, Encore Community Gospel Choir and many more. Doors Open at 18.15 pm. Concert for 19.00 pm start. Venue: Netherton Arts Centre, Northfield Road, Dudley, DY2 9ER. Tickets: £13.50 and can be purchased right now! Food will be on sale. This is a concert to celebrate quality gospel music, but also to celebrate black history month. Contact: Detrieece Francis <morganandfrancis@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07773164011.

SEC CHURCH PLANTERS’ AND COACHES’ RALLY DAY. Sunday, 28 October. The first ever South England Conference Church Planters’ and Coaches’ Rally will take place at Newbold church from 10 am - 4 pm. Registration form and £5 payment required. Address: St Marks Road, Bracknell, Berks, RG42 4AN. Contact: Mavis Bramble <mbramble@secadventist.org.uk>. Phone: 01923 656513.

AREA 7: BASKETBALL FESTIVAL. Sunday, 28 October. SEC Area 7 presents the ever popular basketball festival. Bring your teams and community teams. 12 pm, Sunday, 28 October 2012. Hertfordshire Sports Village, University of Hertfordshire, De Havilland Campus, Hatfield, Herts, AL10 9EU. Registration £25. Contact: Nigel Donga <nigel@stayouth.com>. Phone: 07737 682087.

SEC PRAYER AND BIBLE CONFERENCE 2. Monday, 29 October to Thursday, 1 November. Return of the SEC Prayer & Bible Conference. A life changing experience for teenagers from around the Conference and Europe. Come and experience why. Join with your friends and experience the power of God's blessings through prayer, fellowship and socialising. Places are limited so book now at http://www.secyouth.co.uk/news/prayer-bible-conference-ii. Payment can be made by phone by calling SEC on 01923 232728 or by sending a cheque to: South England Conference Teens Department, 25 St John's Rd, Watford, WD17 1PZ. Only registration with payment will secure your place. For more information call Dejan Stojkovic on 07919172176. Email <dejan@secadventist.org.uk>.
NEWBOLD MUSICIANS’ WORKSHOPS – DRUMS FOR WORSHIP. Saturday, 3 November. Targeting improving level players and above, this series of workshops are designed to help the musicians we have at Newbold get to the next level – from understanding how to control and get the most out of equipment, to better understanding the musicianship and approach for modern Praise & Worship. Reserve your place(s) ASAP, as the workshops are also open to musicians outside the Newbold community. Feel free to invite musician friends (and reserve places for them) – both Adventists and our friends. Workshop Series: Drums for Worship – 3 November. Bass for Worship – 24 November 2012. Contact: Andy Kydd <andrew_kydd@yahoo.com>. Phone: 0782 521 9668.

NEVER GIVE UP – AN EVENING OF INSPIRATIONAL PRAISE. Saturday, 3 November. We only seem to have the zeal to do God's work when we are at church. But what happens during the rest of the week, do we let our day to day struggles get the better of us? Have we secretly given up on overcoming them? Never Give Up is a concert aimed at reviving us back to our grass roots in terms of bringing back ‘Joy’ into our faith. Tickets on sale via www.backstageprojects.com. Venue: 49 Tufnell Park, London, N7 OPS. Doors open 6:00 pm. Start time 6:30 pm. Refreshments on sale. Contact: Helen Rayney <events@backstageprojects.com>. Phone: 07802196734.

PRAISE AND ADORATION CONCERT 2. Saturday, 3 November. An evening of gospel music from soloists, groups and choirs held at the Potteries Museum and Art Gallery, Bethesda Street, Hanley, Stoke, Staffs, ST1 3DW. The concert starts at 7:30 pm. Entrance is free. Contact: Elizabeth Benton <stokesdachurchmusic@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07917 226572.

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SMALL ADS

HEADTEACHER: Stanborough Primary School, commencing 1 January 2013. For more details please visit our Job Vacancies page.

AU PAIR NEEDED: IPSWICH. Lunda Mweemba is looking for a lady to help her look after her 10-month-old baby from January 2013. The person would have to stay with the baby three days a week from morning till 5:00 pm. They would need to feed her for the day and watch over her. Live-in accommodation and free other days. Email lukim18@yahoo.com for more information.

TWO BEDROOM FLAT, newly furbished, available for rent in South Norwood close to Selhurst station. Further details call 07958433744 or email richarddaly7@gmail.com.

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