AND THE WINNER IS...THE COVENTRY LANGUAGE CAFÉ!

Murielle Galvani found her heart was pounding. An envelope was being opened on stage. They were about to announce the winner of the Coventry Community Cohesion Award 2012 for the category 'small community group'.

The pounding turned into applause as she rose from her seat at the Guildhall ceremony on Thursday, 18 October, to receive the award for the 'Coventry Language Café' she started back in 2009.

Murielle, a member of the Henley Green Adventist church in Coventry, states that her "vision was that of a group where people of all nationalities and languages could meet and learn from each other." Her faith is an important part of that, teaching her "to value all cultures (Revelation 14:6) and people as equal members of the human family (Acts 17:26)."

She wanted to put her belief into practice in a meaningful way that would benefit the people of Coventry. Murielle states, "When we pray for our cities, then we become God's instruments to bring about change."

That change was recognised in the awards ceremony as the judges stated, "This project champions the diversity of the city and values the cultural mix of the people who live in it, as well as promoting the different languages spoken." The judges thought it was a good example of cohesion and helps create a place where all communities are welcome.

The awards are an important part of city life for Coventry, a city that has historically and actively described itself as 'a city of peace'. In presenting the awards, Sue Bent, Director of Coventry Law Centre and Chair of the Equalities and Communities Theme Group, explained the rationale behind the awards. "Everyone deserves to live in a strong community, where they feel safe, welcomed, where people get along with each other, where no-one feels excluded and where everyone has the chance to play a full part in local life."
The café operation is very simple, but fulfils that role. People simply turn up and join a table displaying the sign of the language they want to speak. They make new friends and develop their linguistic skills in a relaxed atmosphere. There are now over 200 members. They meet in groups of about 15 twice monthly for a couple of hours.

"Every single one of us has got a skill we can use in very simple ways to make a positive contribution in our communities," Murielle passionately states. She adds, "I would encourage everyone to start with prayer and then step out by faith; knowing that we serve a Living God who is able to do above all that we think or hope."

That is not just theory. Active in her local church where she serves in the areas of Personal Ministries, Health and Communications, Murielle uses very simple things to share her faith – including the signature on every single email she sends that hyperlinks to her Language Café, her local church and her walking group.

**WE DON'T REFLECT THE CULTURE, WE AFFECT THE CULTURE!**  
[Katie Ramharacksingh]

Rue Urenje is just one of the many teens who attended the second Teens' Prayer & Bible Conference this year who saw a personal miracle unfold during the week. The 250 teens who gathered at Stanborough Secondary School, Watford, from 29 October to 2 November, saw Rue raise over £8000; ultimately allowing her to accept her place at University after some difficult financial circumstances.

Pastor Dejan Stojkovic, South England Conference Teens director and organiser of the week, was elated. "Praying with 250 teens and seeing God answer prayers has been amazing. With Rue, but also on a few other occasions, some prayer requests that were submitted one evening were answered before the next night!"

Thus the week reflected the very practical nature of the theme, 'We don't reflect the culture, we affect the culture'. It was a packed schedule of programmes, workshops, worship and even spare moments for free time. Workshops ranged from how to deal with anger, to looking at relationships, to Bible studies with Pastor Kirk Thomas, SEC Personal Ministries director. With so many in attendance, leaders found that the group had to be split at some meal times, with half the teens eating first then swapping with the other half; fortunately there was more than enough delicious food, enough even for visitors throughout the week!

"I felt as if this Prayer & Bible Conference was for me," said Derrick Mensah, from Southend. "I personally learnt a lot and got a lot of answers to questions I've had for some time. It was just amazing how I could connect with other youths like myself and pray for one another. I thought nothing could top the last one but I was wrong; this one was amazing, spiritually."

During the week, 226 teens lived at the Secondary School, whose boarding facilities are used during term time, with around 25 more joining in for the evening worship programmes. Speaker for the week, Pastor Wade Forde from southeastern California, focused on 'Living iLife'. He talked about Abraham's readiness to sacrifice his son Isaac for God and how, instead of questioning and testing God in that situation, he trusted God. Closing the week, Pastor Forde
delved into the story of Zaccheus, highlighting how he came to a point where he was 'tired of being sick and tired', he wanted to be different through Jesus.

'Prayer Request' and 'Questions' boxes encouraged the young people to open up. Roseline, commented, "The question box especially was really helpful because we were able to ask questions anonymously and they were answered really well. It helped because we were informed how to go about certain situations and subjects in the right, and Godly, way."

A young boy, who wasn't a Seventh-day Adventist, approached one leader to ask about how he could start attending church. "This was so positive, this is what it is all about!" enthused a leader who is on the point of making a commitment himself. "Considering the number of teens that come to Camp Meeting, and then the number that came here and could bring their friends, I feel we should be focusing on these as more accessible programmes for our young people, as Camp Meeting is during school."

By the end of the week, 20 teens decided to be baptised! This was encouraging both to the teens and their leaders. "To me, Prayer & Bible Conference is one of the best things out there for the young people of our Church and outside of our Church," remarked Courtney Hoilett, from Plumstead. "I wish that when I was a younger teenager I had had a chance to go to one because it would have helped me a lot in understanding different subjects that we as young Christians deal with. Overall, it was something that all the teens in the SEC should be part of at least once because it does change your life!"

If you missed out on this Prayer & Bible Conference, or you want to come back for the experience, the Teens' Prayer & Bible Conference, 2013, is now open for bookings! Go to <www.secyouth.co.uk> for more information.

**PRESENT TRUTH 'CHRISTMAS CARDS' AND CHILDREN'S POSTERS** [Wendy Forrester]

You may or may not celebrate Christmas, but your friends surely do – as do your neighbours, colleagues, doctor or dentist. In fact, whether Christian or otherwise, the vast large majority of the population do 'celebrate' Christmas in some shape or form.

Every time I receive a card with a cute depiction of Baby Jesus, I am reminded of the miraculous gift of God to mankind – that He became as one of His own created beings to rescue the perishing human race. But I also wonder, 'What do other people see?' Just another cute picture? A cartoon character? A fable? If the Bible were a record, would it be fair to say the world was 'stuck in a groove' on Luke chapter 2?

To miss the other 65 books and 1,188 chapters is like trying to reconstruct a coastal village from a grain of sand. To miss the bigger picture of Jesus as presented in the canon of Scripture, may mean missing out on eternal life.
Putting my skills to work, I decided to design my own cards. Called 'Christ-cards', their purpose is to draw people to Christ or at least make them think. Provoking the questions, who is Jesus, why did He come and where is He now, the cards also seek to answer them, complete with Scriptural references and links to further study resources.

For the past four years, as well as giving them to my friends, neighbours, doctor and dentist, I've also been selling them for others to share. I don't know if any of the recipients of my cards have found Christ as a result of receiving them, but I do know that we are called to keep planting seeds regardless of who reaps the harvest.

This year, I have also added a line of Bible-based children's educational posters to the range, which can be found at www.christ-cards.co.uk.

[Editor's note: Do you have an innovative idea for sharing Christ this Christmas? Why not share your idea here and see if it can inspire someone else.]

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD GETS HAIRY! [Andrew Willis]

You may get increasingly shocked as you walk into Hemel Hempstead church over the next four Sabbaths. Around fifteen of the men are committed to looking positively patriarchal as they develop anything from a moustache to a full grown beard during the month of November.

However, it is all for a good cause as they join thousands of other men in the "MOVEMBER" campaign, stop shaving their upper lips and letting their moustaches grow in order to change the face of men's health. The 'Mo' becomes a walking, talking billboard advocating for men's issues. Friends, families and workmates can equally support the cause by sponsoring them.

What are the issues?

- 1 in 9 men in the UK will be diagnosed with prostate cancer – 1 every 15 minutes.
- More than 10,000 British men will die this year from prostate cancer – 1 every hour.
- African Caribbean men are three times more likely to develop prostate cancer.
- 47% of testicular cancer cases occur in men under 35 and over 90% occur in men under 55.
- The occurrence of prostate and testicular cancer in men is equivalent to that of breast cancer in women (1 in 9).

Shocked by these statistics and wanting to make a difference, the Hemel Hempstead church decided to form a Mo team and get hairy in order to raise funds and awareness of men's health.

The team is made of members, visitors and friends – anyone with a connection to the church. One week into Movember facial fuzz is not the only thing growing in the church – the team has now grown to 15.

You can support the men of the church by sponsoring their Mo's, but more importantly you can support the men in your lives by making sure they take their health seriously and get regular check-ups!

To find out more about Movember and men's health visit www.movember.com and whilst you're there why not support the Hemel Hempstead church team with a donation!
NEVER GIVE UP – AN EVENING OF INSPIRATIONAL PRAISE & WORSHIP  [Katie Ramharacksingh]

With soundchecks completed, artists warmed up and the venue well lit, concert-goers, on Saturday evening, 3 November, made their way to the 'Rock Tower', in North London for an evening of inspirational praise and worship, organised by Backstage Projects.

This unique Community Events Management Company, was established to help create, plan and transform ideas into exceptional successful events. They focus on planning and promoting community based events that uplift, inspire and reflect the diversity of talent that exists in our communities today.

Called 'Never Give Up', the evening overflowed with talent, showcasing singers, poets and musicians throughout. Harmonious and enthusiastic groups such as 4Christ, Inspired Praise and the Soloettes, inspired the audience with their strong vocal skills as well as their joyful approach to their performances.

"I was amazed at the talent I saw on the night," enthused Sheryl Renshaw. "I wasn't sure what I had gone in expecting, but I know that when I walked out at the end…well, I didn't want to walk out! I can only say that the individuals had more than talent; they were blessed by God."

Some powerful soloists, accompanied by musicians, included Elisabeth Kristiansen, Joshua Kesler, Natalie Phillips and Samuel Acquah. Each performer captivated the listening audience, either by keeping them spellbound in silence, or involving them in an interactive performance. These were intertwined with a praise team and performances by other acts like Paul West, a skilled saxophonist who stunned the audience with his energetic pieces, and Chaleboy, a rhythmic poet who spoke on human nature and overcoming obstacles.

Backstage Projects Music director, Jason Collins was very impressed with the professionalism of the PA team at the Rock Tower and the performers. "It was good to see how professional the praise team, artists and band musicians were. Everything on the night sounded good and of a high standard. I would say the night was a success."

Backstage Projects is looking for people of all ages to take part in their next community event. If you are a vocalist, instrumentalist, speaker, dancer, poet, actor or comedian; this could be your time to share.

CLIMATE WEEK: BRITAIN'S BIGGEST CLIMATE CHANGE CAMPAIGN

Adventists believe in environmental care. They see the imperative right from Genesis 1:28. In the run-up to the Olympics members from across Britain took part in two Green Sabbaths, walking to church, befriending neighbours, and reducing carbon emissions. Some have continued to walk.

Now church members are planning to be a part of 'Climate Week', a supercharged national campaign aimed to inspire a new wave of action on climate change. It will culminate with thousands of events and activities taking place throughout the week of 4 to 10 March 2013, planned by
organisations from every part of society. Showcasing real, practical ways to combat climate change, the campaign aims to renew our ambition to create a more sustainable, low-carbon future.

Climate Week is backed by every part of society – from the Prime Minister to Paul McCartney, the NHS to the Met Office, the TUC to the CBI, Girlguiding UK to the National Association of Head Teachers. During the first Climate Week in 2012 over 3,000 events were attended by half a million people across the UK.

You can register now for the free, Climate Week Challenge. There are also prestigious Climate Week Awards that recognise the most inspirational and impressive actions taking place in every sector of society. The judging panel contains figures such as Tony Juniper, Special Advisor to the Prince of Wales’s Charities’ International Sustainability Unit, the former President of Ireland, Mary Robinson, and the Bishop of London.

The Climate Week Swap is a new element to the campaign for 2013, highlighting the positive impact that swapping clothes, books, toys, DVDs and other items can have on our environment. Run a swap event in your workplace, with your community group or at home and save resources from going to landfill.

There are a number of other elements to the campaign. Bubble and Squeak for Climate Week is encouraging people to make the food that they eat a part of the solution to climate change. We can do this by joining in the call to action of eating a low carbon meal during Climate Week, either by using up leftovers to make Bubble and Squeak or by cooking food made from local ingredients or less meat and dairy.

Your church, youth group, club, or you as an individual can get involved right now by starting to plan an event for Climate Week. This provides a unique opportunity to profile your own initiatives and innovations.

To find out more about Climate Week, or to register your event, go to <www.climateweek.com>, email <info@climateweek.com> or telephone on 020 3397 2601.

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

It would seem that ministers on the move have caught the attention of local media this week. The Grantham Journal posted a really positive interfaith article thanking Pastor John Ferguson for his 12-year ministry in the town as he leaves to take up his leadership role in the North England Conference. They quote the Reverend Tony Pick as saying, "John and I shared a close friendship. Such good men we cannot do without."

As another 'good man' retired in Watford, Stanborough Park church news hound, June Coombs, submitted a positive report on the 41-year career of Pastor Paul Clee, a story warmly welcomed by the Watford Observer.

A plethora of stories across the web are again highlighting the health and longevity advantages of being an Adventist. This report is from One Green Planet. If the residents of Sutton, Surrey, are impressed by it then they may want to visit Hackbridge church on Sabbath, 17 November, where the Sutton Guardian reports that church members will be offering a free vegetarian lunch as part of Interfaith Week.

Finally, a brief report in This is South Wales notes that plans are now passed for the rebuilding of the Swansea Adventist church.
LATEST MESSENGER ONLINE

Redesigning Sabbath worship? Could that be an answer for retaining youth? Find out in the 9 November edition of MESSENGER, the official journal of the Adventist Church in the UK and Ireland. Also, ‘O God, I'm so lonely’ – when men experience loneliness; learning ‘grace’ in times of austerity, and discovering why Dublin will become a City of Hope. Read it online or pick up a copy from a church near you.

DEATH OF CYRIL F W FUTCHER

We are sad to announce the death of Cyril F W Futcher who passed away in Hendersonville, North Carolina on Monday, 22 October 2012, aged 99. Cyril lived a life of active service in the Adventist Church, starting his career in the bookkeeping office of Granose Foods, at Stanborough Park, Watford. Here he became acquainted with Gladys Hyde, daughter of the general manager. Ten years later, after completing his undergraduate work at Newbold College in England and Emanuel Missionary College (now Andrews University) in the US they married. Cyril taught at Newbold College for ten years, then Carmel College in Western Australia before moving to the USA and Spencerville Junior Academy, Columbia Union College and finally Southern Adventist University in Collegedale, Tennessee, retiring from the position of Academic Dean in 1984.

Our condolences go to his daughter, Carol; son, Anthony with his wife, Mary; son, Terence with his wife, Ruth; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren as well as numerous nephews and nieces. The family wishes to acknowledge with gratitude the love, prayers and many kindnesses of a large group of friends and note that those wishing to honour Cyril may donate to a charity of their choice.

PROGRAMMES TO WATCH THIS WEEK

Here are some programme highlights for the coming week:

On Revelation TV (Sky 581 or Freesat 692):

The Journey: Victor Hulbert discovers a desperate need for rest – physical and spiritual. Thursday, 8 November, 8:30 pm repeated Sunday lunchtime, 1 pm. Next week: Positive prayer makes for real worship – and impacts the real world.

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 9 November: 8:00 pm: The Journey pt 2: ‘In Need of Rest’, 8:30 pm: Searching for a God to Love pt 2: The Centre of Existence, Midnight: In Need of Rest
Sabbath 10 November: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: In Need of Rest, 7:30 pm: The Centre of Existence
Monday 12 November: 12:30 pm: In Conversation, Alastair Agbaje – International adventures for God, 9:30 pm: Viewpoint: God in a cruel world
Wednesday 14 November: 8:00 am: Viewpoint: God in a cruel world, 11:00 pm: In Conversation, Des Rafferty – A special kind of travel agent
Friday 16 November: 8:00 pm: The Journey pt 3: *What kind of God?*,
8:30 pm: FaithTalks: *Is Religion good for children?*,
Midnight: What kind of God?
Sabbath 17 November: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: What kind of God?,
7:30 pm: FaithTalks: Is Religion good for children?

**COMING EVENTS**

For a full listing of Coming Events please visit [www.adventistevents.org.uk](http://www.adventistevents.org.uk)

**HOLCOMBE ROAD ADVENTIST CHURCH.** Continuing to Sabbath, 10 November. Holcombe Road Adventist church presents our Revival Campaign & Week of Prayer – "Are You Ready for Jesus To Come?" This revival has something for everyone. Come and be inspired by uplifting messages, good music with an opportunity to focus on prayer. Guest speakers include: Evangelist Costa Vaggas; Pastor Richard Jackson, NEC Ministerial Association Secretary; Elder Adrian Lee, Youth speaker; Pastor Roy Chisholm, Missionary; Pastor Eglan Brooks, BUC Personal Ministries director; Pastor Nerine Barrett, Area 6B speaker & pastor; Maslin Holness, Area 6A speaker. Sabbath mornings: 10:00 am - 1:15 pm. Sunday to Friday: 7:15 pm - 9:00 pm. Venue: John Loughborough School, Holcombe Road, Tottenham, N17 9AD. Nearest Station: Seven Sisters & Bruce Grove. Buses: 149, 259, & 349. For further information contact: 07950 387764 or email: psmholness@yahoo.com.

**A SPECIAL GOSPEL CONCERT.** Saturday, 10 November. A concert focused on unleashing compassion and care for those in need. Great gospel music from choirs, soloist, musicians, and also poems. Refreshments: curry, roti, cakes, pies, mauby, ginger beer etc on sale. Entrance free, but bring a donation. Venue: Newbold Church, St Marks Road, Bracknell, Binfield, RG42 4AN from 19:30. Contact: Cheron Jones <lber1268@btinternet.com>. Phone: 07576920641.

**STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALE – SHEFFIELD BURNGREAVE.** Sunday, 11 November. Stanborough Press Book Sale at Sheffield Burngreave, Andover Street, Pitsmoor, Sheffield, S3 9EE. Open 10 am to 2 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS, BOOKS & CRAFT FAIR.** Sunday, 11 November. 11 am - 3 pm for Stanborough Park church's annual gifts, books and craft fair. All proceeds from the sale will benefit The Peace Hospice. The Stanborough Centre, 609 St Albans Rd, Watford, WD25 9JL. Contact: Pat Walton <walton@groats.co.uk>. Phone: 01923 672500.

**WEEK OF PRAYER AND REVIVAL : Leeds Central Adventist church.** Sunday, 11 November to Saturday, 17 November. Theme: Catch the Spirit. Sunday 11 - Friday 16 November. Time: 18:30 - 20:00 hrs. Saturday 17 November times: 11:00 - 13:00 hrs & 16:00 - 18:00 hrs. Morning Manna: Sun 8 am, Mon - Fri 7 am, Sat. 8:30 am. Presenter: Ray Patricks, owner of 'Ray of Hope 4 U International', Counsellor and Mentor, Substance Abuse Counsellor at Simple Solutions NA/AA meetings, Therapist at Lincoln Child Centre, Counsellor at Sunny Hills Services. Substance Abuse Specialist Chaplain, Senior Pastor of at Ephesus Community Church, Assistant Pastor at Oakwood College Church, Assistant Chaplain at Limestone Correctional Facility. Contact: Emily Tebbs-Dube <tebbs_dube@yahoo.com>. Phone: 07887777083. [http://leeds.adventistchurch.org.uk](http://leeds.adventistchurch.org.uk).

**BUC NATIONAL LAY BIBLE WORKERS' CONVENTION.** Friday, 16 - Sunday, 18 November. Held at Staverton Park Hotel this event will offer you essential skills and training on how to be effective in leading people to Christ. The convention will cover issues from the first contact with a non-Adventist to developing that person so that he or she will become an active member of the Church; even skilled enough to lead out in their own evangelistic outreach. Presenters include Dr Errol McLean from NADEI and Pastor Jeremiah Weeks from ShareHim. Also BUC/Conference Departmental directors and field pastors will also hold crucial seminars. Contact: Catherine <cpalmer@adventist.org.uk>. Phone: 01923 672251.

WORSHIP CAFE @ CLC. Friday, 16 November & Friday, 14 December. Friday evening 16 November 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 judgemental, Cafe-style, enjoyable. Free of charge, refreshments are 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, London, W1H 5JE. Contact: Pastor Geert <g.tap@btinternet.com>. Phone: 07747568942.

ISDXI – INTERNATIONAL STUDENT DAY XI FROM 10:30 AM. Sabbath, 17 November. Featuring Pastor Jeff Tatarchuk (USA), Peter Tabornal (Philippines), Josiah4 (West Midlands), Asher Moodie (London), Kim Muneri (Man South), Vocal Witness (Manchester), and John Timothy (India). International lunch. Afternoon Qtime12, Praise Fest IX hosted by Manchester Student Praise Team. Dress code: international preferred. Venue: St Peter House, University Precinct, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9GH. Contact: SDASS1 <sdass1@aol.com>. Phone: 07515671532.

NRPF SEMINAR. Sabbath, 17 November & Sabbath, 24 November. Be.Still.Ministries presents a seminar for anyone who is or knows someone subject to immigration control. This seminar will provide clear and accurate information as well as raising awareness of NRPF. Sabbath, 17 November @ 3:00 pm. Bradford Adventist church. 15 Melbourne Place, Bradford, BD5 0HZ. Sabbath, 24 November @ 4:30 pm. Greenwich Adventist church, Devonshire Drive, Greenwich, London, SE10 8JZ. Contact: Sarah Bashorun <be.still.ministries@gmail.com>. Phone: 07507994541.

LEADERSHIP BOOT CAMP: "THE MOUNTAIN WITHIN". Sabbath, 17 November. Central London church is hosting the final part of "Leadership Boot Camp: The Mountain Within". 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm with Herta von Stiegel - perfect to invite friends and family. Contact: Svetla <office@centrallondonchurch.org>. Phone: 07956196643.

TRAINING: HOW TO GIVE A BIBLE STUDY. Sunday, 18 November. Would you like to lead others to Christ but don't know how? Attend our training and learn more about how to conduct Bible studies. Venue: Stanborough Park Church, 609 St Albans Road, Garston, Watford, Herts, WD25 9JL; the church sanctuary, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Contact: Pastor Ivana Mendez <ivanamendez@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07539326780.

STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALE – MANCHESTER SOUTH. Sunday, 18 November. Adventist Book Centre Food & Book Sale at Manchester South Adventist Church, 13 Wilbraham Road, Fallowfield, M14 6JS. Open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALE – IPSWICH. Sunday, 18 November. Adventist Book Centre Food & Book Sale at Ipswich Adventist Church, Rope Walk, Ipswich, IP4 1ND. Open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

THE JOHN LOUGHBOROUGH SCHOOL – SPEECH NIGHT. Monday, 19 November. You are invited to our annual Speech Day. This year the theme is 'Aspiring to Greatness: Nobody Greater than You'. Monday 19 November, 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Gladesmore Community School, Crowland Road,
London, N15 6EB (parking will be available). Special guest – Rt Hon David Lammy MP and other special guests will be present. The programme will start promptly at 6:00 pm, please be on time. Contact: Ms V Hoilett <secretary@johnloughborough.haringey.sch.>. Phone: 0208 8087837.

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER AT STANBOROUGH PARK CHURCH. Sabbath, 24 November. Series of workshops designed to equip us how to study different types of texts in the Bible, so that our personal or group Bible study time is more exciting and inspiring. Through a PowerPoint presentation we learn about specific features of Biblical texts, and then apply the gained knowledge while studying chosen texts. Worksheets provided, pleasant atmosphere guaranteed. Venue: Stanborough Park Church, 609 St Albans Road, Garston, Watford, Herts, WD25 9JL; in the Armstrong Hall at 4:00 pm. Contact: Pastor Ivana Mendez <ivanamendez@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07539326780.

BASS IN WORSHIP WORKSHOP @ NEWBOLD COLLEGE. Saturday, 24 November. The fourth in the series of Workshops focusing on the use of Musical instruments in Worship produced by Andy Kydd. This workshop will be led by Reginald Christie-Phillips, with support from Eddie Francis on Acoustic Upright, David Francis on Keys, Leon Barclay on Keys, Paul Williams on Guitar, Derek Hughes on Drums, and Antonio Belgrave on Saxophone. Register now to ensure your place. Contact: Reginald Christie-Phillips <cardcean@hotmail.com>. Phone: 07989242109.

'AMAZING GRACE', AN EVENING OF SACRED MUSIC. Saturday, 24 November. 'Amazing Grace' – An Evening of Sacred Music and Testimonies performed by the renowned J.Ahn Trio. 7.30 pm. Stanborough Park Church, 609 St Albans Road, Watford, WD25 9JL. The J.Ahn Trio (Ji-Eun on violin; Ji-Ae on piano; Ji-Hee on cello), have performed at a number of well known venues in London, have appeared on ATN & KBS Television, and have been broadcast on AWR Radio. Contact: Billie <bulletin@stanboroughchurch.org>. Phone: 07801 579 056.

STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALE – JLS. Sunday, 25 November. Adventist Book Centre Food & Book Sale at John Loughborough School, Holcombe Road, Tottenham, N17. Open 10 am to 2 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALE – CROYDON. Sunday, 25 November. Adventist Book Centre Food & Book Sale at Croydon Adventist Church, 95 Selhurst Road, Norwood, London, SE25 6LH. Open 10 am to 2 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

STANBOROUGH SCHOOL: SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES EXAM. Sunday, 25 November. Stanborough Secondary School is offering Scholarships and Bursaries for the second year running. Last year, 13 multi-annual scholarships and bursaries were awarded. This year more multi-annual Scholarships and Bursaries will be offered. The examination will take place on 25 November, 14.00 - 17.00 pm for prospective students entering Year 7, 9, and 10 in September 2013. The maximum award is worth a 50% reduction on tuition fees. Seventh-day 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.

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SMALL ADS

HOUSE SHARE. Two rooms to let in a house shared with other Adventists. Located in a very quiet and exclusive area of Harrow. Phone 07961 394 798 or email josephwise.co@gmail.com for details.

NEED AN AU PAIR FOR SEPTEMBER 2013? Annika Nern, from Cologne, Germany is seeking a 1-year position as an au pair after she graduates from High School next summer. You can contact her at annika@nern.de. She writes, "I like spending time with children and I'm also very interested in the work of the Church in another country! My hobbies are playing saxophone and the piano, going to Scouts [Pathfinders], sewing, drawing and of course babysitting!"

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