FINAL MOVEMENTS RAPID ONES
Heavy rain and flooding across the UK has caused chaos and distress for many families. Pastor Bernie Holford, in Scotland, reflects on the experience of some of his members:

On Monday, 19 November Comrie has been flooded again. I have just put down the phone after talking to Isobel McEwan, a member of the Crieff church who is still in shock from the flooding earlier today.

When the Water of Ruchill burst its banks, people in low lying areas picked up sandbags from the fire station to try to protect their homes. Like me, they did their best to block the airbricks and doors.

I can still hear the alarm in her voice, 'It was traumatic, just to stand in my house and watch the flood water rise up the garden, then the first step, then the second step and as it rose up the last step and seemed about to enter the house it started going down! I was not flooded out thank God! Eventually I could see my lawn covered with stones and rubble. I have been comparatively well off, the members, neighbours and rescue services have been so helpful.'

The tragedy is that many others including the parents of one of our members in Comrie were not so fortunate. Their homes were flooded and they were picked up in a boat by fire and rescue officers. They had just escaped the last flooding in August, but now their home is wrecked.

One of the phrases the survivors use over and over again is that 'It all happened so fast.'

This reminded me of what Peter said about the surprise nature of the second coming. 'But the day of the Lord will come as unexpectedly as a thief.' [2 Peter 3:10] As Adventist Church co-founder, Ellen
White puts it, 'Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones.' [9T 11 (1909)]

'The daily record of disasters shows that there is no safety anywhere. Even in our homes we are in danger [from] storms, floods, and fire. If there ever was a time when we should be sober and watch unto prayer, it is now. Our lives are safe only when hid with Christ in God. We need every day to purify ourselves even as He is pure. There is always hope for us in God. Faith is our defence, for it connects our human weakness with divine power.' [Review and Herald, 29 January, 1884]

November has been the Week of Prayer month for our Church. It is my prayer that we will all experience the reviving presence of Jesus in our lives that will prepare us for the final rapid movements that will usher in the end of the world and the glorious soon return of our Lord and friend Jesus.

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**£1,000 BREAKFAST IN BANBRIDGE** [Weiers Coetser]

The organisers of a regular community breakfast at the Banbridge Seventh-day Adventist church are still in a haze of amazement over the runaway success of a fundraising breakfast that brought in just over £1,000 for the charity CDH UK.

When Michelle and Peter Milton arrived at the church hall just before 9:30 am on Sunday morning, 25 November, they had no idea that in excess of 120 friends from across the local area were going to arrive in a show of support for a charity that seeks to support and raise awareness of a condition that claimed the life of their newborn son, James Peter, in September this year.

Orla Reynolds, Michelle's sister, explained that "Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia is a condition that occurs once in 2,000 to 5,000 births, when there is a malformation of a baby's diaphragm early in its development. This poses a serious threat to the life and well-being of the newborn child. This condition is not as well known but in actual fact it happens just as much as spina bifida and cystic fibrosis."

It is as a result of their own experience of pain and loss that the Milton family sought an opportunity to support the work of CDH UK. When Michelle's friend, Mary told her about a community breakfast running in the local Adventist church, an idea was planted that this would be an ideal place to host a fundraising breakfast.

"There was just no way in which we could ignore this opportunity to support the Milton Family," says Pastor Weiers Coetser, the local minister. "This is what we are about. And what a pleasure to help!"

The team of volunteers that host this monthly Sunday morning meal immediately began to plan. Advertisements were placed and the word was spread that this would be an extra special meal. The free community breakfast is usually attended by around 30 people.

It is a relaxed event where children get to do arts and crafts while parents sit back, enjoy a hearty meal and spend social time with each other.
"This time round we knew that more people were coming and we wondered if our facilities and resources would cope," reports Patrinne Irvine, one of the organisers. "On Friday morning before the event I woke up with a hunch that I should phone around to see if I could get a few donations. Before the day was over I had donations of bread from two bakeries, 10 dozen eggs from a farm in Hamiltonsbawn, milk and yoghurts from the local dairy, and various vouchers from local supermarkets and small shops. When I tried to call a mushroom farmer in Rathfriland, he told me that he was no longer in the business, but he donated £50 to the breakfast. It turns out that we did not need that £50 for the breakfast and we gave the money to the CDH UK charity. The support was overwhelming!"

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The result? A cosy hall filled with the smell of a hearty Irish breakfast. Colourful balloons decorated the hall. A face-painting corner immediately had a queue of children waiting to become moving works of art. In a side room, Nelleke Magee had a few eager artists gathered around a table, making cards with fancy stencils, scissors and a variety of pens. The Milton family set up tables at the bottom end of the hall where they did a brisk trade in cupcakes, a variety of sweets, framed photographs, children's clothes and other bric-a-brac.

Visitors came in their droves. "Our eating area had seats for 60 people. We filled the area up more than twice as the morning continued," says Pastor Coetser.

It was not long before the morning was over and the hall was empty. There had been just enough food for everybody. "We just ran out of mushrooms in the last 10 minutes, but there were still enough of everything else" reports Eileen Irvine. "We all felt overwhelmed when Michelle and Peter counted the money raised and it just topped more than £1,000."

"This has been the most successful single fundraising event that we have had in a long time," says Pastor Coetser. "We regularly support charity work in our district and elsewhere. A while ago we raised £600 for a Habitat for Humanity project, in the spring of every year we spend two weeks raising money for a humanitarian agency, ADRA which does development and relief work around the world."

Orla Reynolds enthused, "This was such an emotional and worthwhile day. It has been a natural progression from what has been a devastating time for Michelle, Peter and the whole family and circle of friends."

Banbridge will be holding its next community breakfast on Sunday morning, 9 December. The meal is offered free of charge as it is the church's investment in supporting friendships and community spirit in the Banbridge area. A photo gallery of the event is on the Banbridge church website.

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NEWBOLD RECYCLES CHRISTMAS [Newbold church Communication dept]

'I can' is the motto for cost conscious mums and children who gathered together at Newbold School, Binfield, on Sunday 25 November to learn new craft skills.

While for some it was the basic skill of learning to knit a winter scarf, the more adventurous tried their hand at making candle holders out of recycled tin cans and drink cartons, or fashioning designer Christmas cards.
For Eileen Soriton-Becejac, the joy of the morning was the sense of achievement. After cutting out leaves and petals from old drink cans to create her work of art, she exclaimed, "I can carry on now. I can do Christmas!" A mother and daughter who will be spending Christmas in a remote part of Ireland were delighted at the new skills they could take with them to occupy the winter nights.

At the next table a large group of children were joined by a few adults to create home-made Christmas cards. Their artistic skills were so high that when dads came to take them home, they instead found themselves joining in.

As well as demonstrating candle holders, craft expert, Luisa Hulbert also showed how materials that many people simply throw out could be turned into Christmas angels, gift boxes or exquisite papier mâché dolls. That raised the level of excitement and expectation for the 2013 workshops.

'I can' was the second of a series of workshops organised by Anna Radosh and the ladies of Newbold church. The sense of achievement at the end of the morning demonstrated that 'I can' had become not just a motto, but a reality.

FLORIDA HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY TRAINING [Emmanuel Osei]

Remembrance Sunday, 11 November saw ten ministers leave their districts in the South England Conference to learn remembrance and listening of a different kind. Travelling to Orlando, Florida, they were to participate in the Chaplaincy programme offered by Florida Hospital, adding to their portfolio of skills with training beyond what they learnt at the seminary.

The mission statement of the hospital is 'extending the healing ministry of Christ'. This is the foundation and motivation of everything that happens there. An example is a volunteer ministry called 'Spiritual Ambassadors'. Numbering 1700, about 10% of the total hospital workforce, they create an environment of trust, a place of belonging and a sense of hope through each daily encounter.

They seek to transform the work environment into a sanctuary where trust between co-workers, physicians and volunteers is experienced through authentic relationships. They continue to create and nurture a sense of family through the ministry of service, prayer and department activities that brings hope to the heart of all. Often coming early to work to spend time in prayer for the patients, they even go to the administration and care for them too.

The ten English ministers were taught listening skills. Jay Perez challenged them to consider "who we are as opposed to what we do." They were reminded that "we are first human 'beings' as opposed to human 'doings'."

This was not just theory. Accompanying the hospital chaplains as they visited their patients, learning about music therapy, or discovering 'Creation Health', the ministers found their own lives...
being changed. Another great feature developed by the Florida Hospital, Creation Health is about wellness in being mentally fit, physically healthy, spiritually vital and socially content.

Expect to see a difference now they are back in the UK, revived, educated and recreated.

'HALL OF FAME – SEASON 1' SERIES AT WILLESDEN  [Elaine Whyte]

The 'Hall of Fame – Season 1' series at Willesden church, 27 October - 17 November, was the quintessence of interactive teaching, sincere worship and irresistible praise. Hosted by the Youth department, Luke Whyte's main aims to his 'simple vision' were to encourage reflective theological thinking with fresh perspectives and insights, to move the congregation from merely listening to application, and finally, to encourage interaction across age groups.

The backdrop to the series were four characters from the Old Testament book of Judges who are highlighted in the Hebrews 11 'Hall of Fame'; Barak, Gideon, Jephthah and Samson.

Messages through drama and discussions were presented by Pastor Des Boldeau and Luke Whyte. Further reflection and discussion followed each message around tables and guided by 'facilitators' whose role involved encouraging people to think through the practical implications and application of scripture.

The facilitators kept the conversations flowing in their groups and created a friendly atmosphere, where everyone felt comfortable to share ideas and to have some ideas and thoughts of their own, to contribute to the conversation.

The 'palpable synergy', according to Luke, was obvious and he remarked on how each facilitator took his 'simple vision and made it better than he could have imagined'. He further stated how 'indebted' he was to Japhet De Oliveira and his team, at the 'One Project'. It was after attending their annual gathering in Seattle last February that he felt empowered and eager to do something similar in his local church, not to only 'inhabit the jpeg space in iPhoto, but also to bear fruit'.

The result? Feedback includes statements such as, 'we must continue to do this when the series ends', 'excellent', and 'the richness of this experience has really inspired me to study my Bible more'.

VIVA LA REVOLUTION  [Paul Goltz, Newbold College Chaplain]

Revolution started on the campus of Newbold College and gained momentum during the week starting Monday, 12 November.

Groups of Newbold College students were stirred into action, joined by the local church community. They bore the cold each night to be inspired by key Week of Prayer speaker, Pastor Bobby Bovell. He exposed the focus of the Revolution: Jesus! He dared Newbold to dream big dreams for Jesus. Dreams that view the world in which they live through Godly filters and allow the Holy Spirit to inspire to create the change in the things that break the heart of God in our world.
By Friday night Pastor Bovell encouraged the audience to look at how we as Christians bring about revolution. At times we can just be voices of protest in our world rather than agents of change. The challenge was given to not just point out injustice and those things that are not a part of the kingdom culture but to use our gifts and produce things that give real alternatives to our world.

Pastor Bovell, a Newbold College alumnus, singer, songwriter, husband and church planter, currently serves as pastor at a Café Church in Copenhagen.

It is easy for us as Seventh-day Adventists to invest in our work, our families, our relationships, sport – all of which are great pursuits – without putting aside significant time as a church community to reflect and pray about our direction as a part of a revolutionary community.

Theology student Joel Duntin and his wife Sally lead a team of Newbold College students with playful creativity, stirring them to invest in the spiritual journey of the Newbold church community. Plans were made and with talented inspiration, put into action, utilizing music, art, drama and the inspired preaching of Pastor Bovell. Care teams lead by theology student, Shellaz Ndlovu, stirred people toward a Revolution of love while they attended. Another theology student, Ashleigh Taylor-Greaves, ensured visual effects gave a professional glimmer to the event. Directed by students Desire Lewis (School of Business) and Jadanna Huie (School of Theology) the event was prayfully on time. Luke Whyte (School of Theology) and Jadanna were lead revolutionaries hosting each event.

Café Rev opened each night as the event finished selling yummy treats. This created a place for people to hang out with friends, to process the experience – to have revolutionary thoughts!

Associate pastor of Newbold church and director of Newbold church media, Vili Costescu lead a team of Newbold church youth who skilfully captured the Revolution on a video live stream, swelling the audience and answering questions in a live chat room. Many students and church members who were unable to attend physically commented that they had gathered groups of people in their homes to watch and be involved in the Revolution. The Revolution footage is now available on demand from the Newbold media website. Vili commented, "there is so much potential when events are streamed live directly into the situation of the viewer with a group of people equipped to answer faith questions."

Pastor Bovell’s final challenge was this; "Fix your attention on God – you’ll be changed from the inside out! Readily recognize what God wants from you and respond to it. Unlike the culture around you – always dragging you down to its level of immaturity – God brings out the best in you – develops well-formed maturity in you."

A call was made to join the Revolution. People responded. The rest only time will tell....

DISTANCE AND TIME NO OBSTACLE TO SERVICE [Jim Botha]

Local members and residents who attended the Scottish Mission Pathfinder Day of Fellowship in Faifley on Sabbath, 17 November might well have been reminded of the Proclaimers' hit song refrain in 'I'm Gonna be (500 miles)'.

Not 'walking 500 miles' but a round trip of nearly 600 miles, was no obstacle for the combined North England Conference Drum Corps, who featured prominently in the day's events. Under their leader, Helderburg Jackson, they not only participated in the processional colour party but led a Pathfinder parade through the local community.
The parade was licenced by West Dumbartonshire Councillor, Jim Finn. A former Scouts group leader, Jim joined Pathfinders for much of the day and congratulated the drummers on their professionalism. He also revealed that, in his youth, he was present at the 1956 opening of the church that is now the home of our Faifley members.

SEC Youth director, Pastor Steve Thomas delivered a strong message that focused on preparing for life ahead. Referencing Joshua and Daniel, he said, "As in those days, wherever we go, as Seventh-day Adventists, we are carrying God with us." Addressing leaders and parents present, he said, "It is important that the training we give our children will help them to stand in difficult situations."

In summing up, Scottish Mission Pathfinder sponsor, Pastor Clifford Herman, reflected, "Three things made the day special; the inspirational service from the drum corps, community awareness created by the parade and Pastor Thomas's appeal for a positive path to eternal life through Pathfindering."

**LORANCE JOHNSON NEHEMIAH VISION** [Peter Jeynes]

A new President cannot hit the ground running – but has to sit, think, ask and pray.

Lorance Johnson, pastor and new President of the North England Conference has done all of those things with a view to creating a strong foundation for the next four years, working with fellow members to the Glory of God.

The initial result has been a vision for the future based on the book of Nehemiah, of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem. In this case the 'walls of the Conference' are to be rebuilt. Pastor Lorance spoke of his vision for the Conference in a video recently recorded at the North England Conference and now available on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com).

**'TWO AND A HALF MEN' ACTOR IN FAITH/WORK DILEMMA**

The Daily Mail sparked a news avalanche this week with continuously updated articles concerning 'Two and a Half Men' comedy actor, Angus T Jones, his recent membership of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and his appearance in a video where he spoke strongly against the very comedy programme that he appears in.

Talking to [Christianity Today](https://www.christiantoday.com), Angus yesterday shared how he turned from a lifestyle smoking weed and 'doing acid' to one where God is now at the centre. Now a baptised member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Angus finds himself in a dilemma. In the interview he openly discussed the challenge of being a Christian in the entertainment business.

"I know I am there for a reason, but at the same time I have this strange twist of being a hypocrite: a paid hypocrite. That's the way I have been looking at it lately.... Even though it's my job to be an actor, I have given my life to God. I am very comfortable and firm in that, but I still have to be on this
show. It's the number one comedy, but it's very inappropriate and the themes are very inappropriate. I have to be this person I am not.”

Angus is not sure where his future lies once his current contract expires, but states, "Right now I am doing a lot of work for my church, taking an evangelism class, doing a lot of reading – mostly the Bible and things that coordinate with the Bible.”

The Adventist Church in North America released a statement on Tuesday that answers many of the concerns of members who have contacted our office regarding secular news reports over the past three days.

"We are happy that Angus has joined the Seventh-day Adventist family and has found a place in which he feels comfortable to worship and grow his faith," said George Johnson, Communication director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America. "Recently, Angus made some statements concerning his spiritual journey and expressed his views concerning the television programme Two and a Half Men. These comments are of a personal nature, reflecting his views after having undergone changes during his spiritual journey. We welcome him with open arms to the worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church family and are excited about his commitment to God through his recent baptism at his church.”

More on this story was also posted on the BUC News Facebook page. The Voice of Prophecy has released a sensitive video interview with Angus where he explains his faith journey more fully.

**MUSIC FOR GROWTH** [June Coombs]

A well-attended concert given by an Adventist piano trio of professional musicians at Stanborough Park church on the evening of 24 November raised almost £1,000 for the church's Development Fund.

The concert, entitled 'Amazing Grace', consisted of hymns and sacred music performed by the J Ahn Trio, was narrated by the church's associate pastor Karin Wieczorek and attracted an audience from as far afield as Chiswick in west London, such is the trio's reputation for their high standard of performance. It is the first of a series of concerts at the church intended to raise funds for an ambitious plan to adapt the church's sanctuary to current needs.

**DEATH OF MRS JOYCE PHILLIPS**

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs Joyce Phillips, wife of former Welsh Mission President Dr Brian Phillips. She passed to her rest on Friday, 23 November after a period of illness.

Joyce, a much loved member of the Ystrad Mynach church, was well known in the local area from her time as a community midwife. A former Salvation Army officer, Joyce had the distinction of being commissioned at the age of just 19. After becoming a Seventh-day Adventist in 1970 she continued a work of ministry in her own right, as well as supporting her husband in his.

The funeral service will be held at 1:00 pm on Thursday, 6 December at the Mount Pleasant Evangelical Baptist Church, Tabor Road, Maesycwmmer, Hengoed (approximate postcode: CF82 7PP). Parking is available in nearby streets. Family flowers only, however donations in lieu of flowers can be given to "St David's Foundation" or "Friends of Myanmar”. Our thoughts and prayers are with Dr Phillips, his family, and large circle of friends.
NETADVENTIST MAINTENANCE THIS WEEKEND

Please note that due to upgrading our server, the netAdventist *.adventistchurch.org.uk' domain will not be functioning from approximately 8:00 pm on Saturday evening for up to 48 hours. (It may be less than this but we have to allow that time for transferring the DNS and allowing it to register.) We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

PROGRAMMES TO WATCH THIS WEEK

Here are some programme highlights for the coming week:

On Revelation TV (Sky 581 or Freesat 692):

The Journey: Seeking the lost – in the Lake District: Thursday, 29 November, 8:30 pm repeated Sunday lunchtime 2 December, 1 pm. Next week: Of giants and dragons.

On the web: Church members are reflecting with Pastor Ian Sweeney on his 2012 BUC President's Report, learning the benefits of the Lay Bible Workers' Convention, and Dr McLean shares his views and insights into the challenges of evangelism that the Church faces.

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 30 November: 8:00 pm: The Journey: Iona and Worship, 8:30 pm: FaithTalks: Is God a moral monster?, Midnight: Iona and Worship
Sabbath 1 December: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: Iona and Worship, 7:30 pm: FaithTalks: Is God a moral monster?
Monday 3 December: 12:30 pm: In Conversation, Alan Hodges – Growing up in post-war Britain, 9:30 pm: Viewpoint: Is violence ever acceptable?
Wednesday 5 December: 8:00 am: Viewpoint: Is violence ever acceptable?, 11:00 pm: In Conversation, Anne Loftman – Love in action
Friday 7 December: 8:00 pm: The Journey: Hiking in the Highlands, 8:30 pm: FaithTalks: Why can't I believe anything I want?, Midnight: Hiking in the Highlands
Sabbath 8 December: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm: Hiking in the Highlands, 7:30 pm: FaithTalks: Why can't I believe anything I want?

COMING EVENTS For a full listing of Coming Events please visit www.adventistevents.org.uk

PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (EXPOSING THE TRUE ENEMY). Continuing to Saturday, 1 December. Speaker: Michael Dantzie. Dates remaining: 30 Nov & 1 Dec. Times: Friday, 19:00 - 20:30 and Sabbath, 16:30 - 18:30. Watford Town Adventist Church, 1-5 Brixton Road, Watford, Herts, WD24 5AB. 5-10 minute walk from Watford Junction. Contact: Carol-Anne <casparkes05@gmail.com>. Phone: 07773732167.

AN EVENING OF PRAISE. Saturday, 1 December. 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. Willesden Adventist Church, Pound Lane/Glebe Road, Willesden, London, NW10 2JD. With ministries in: Poetry, Singing, Mimes, Drama, Musical Pieces, Praise and Worship, Spoken Word. Help raise funds to send Adaneekay Forbes-Cooke to Medical Missionary School. There will also be food on sale after the
concert. Pledges can be made on the night or make a donation. Contact: Adaneekay Forbes-Cooke <a.forbes.c@gmail.com>. Phone: 07521935339.

GOSPEL EXTRAVAGANZA CONCERT. Saturday, 1 December. Great evening of instrumental and vocal music, 6 - 10 pm. Featuring: Ulanda Alexander, Tom Humphries, Angaza Kidz, Maranatha Youth Choir & many more. Free entry! Lots of tasty foods for sale. Venue: Salem Baptist Church, 907 Uxbridge Road, Hayes, UB10 0NH. Bus: 207,607. Contact: Mel <vic_b1@verifone.com>. Phone: 07725193892.

THE ALL LONDON MALE VOICE CHOIR. Saturday, 1 December, 7:00 pm. Annual Festival of Praise. Theme: Shine for Jesus! We are kindly inviting you to come along, bring your friends and have a very enjoyable evening. Holloway Seventh-day Adventist Church, 381 Holloway Road, London, N4 3JH. Doors open at 6:30 pm for a prompt 7:00 pm start. Tickets: £10.00 for adults; £5.00 for children and our elderly friends. For more details, or to reserve your ticket, call: 0208 764-6366 or 0208 764-8430. Contact: George Williams & Co. <geowilliams60@yahoo.co.uk>.

STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALES
- BRIXTON. Sunday, 2 December. Adventist Book Centre Food & Book Sale at Brixton Adventist Church, Santley Street, Clapham, London, SW4 7QG. Open: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.
- BRADFORD. Sunday, 2 December. Adventist Book Centre Food & Book Sale at Bradford Adventist Church, 15 Melbourne Place, Little Horton Lane, Bradford, BD5 0HZ. Open: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

VEGAN JAMAICAN CHRISTMAS COOKING. Thursday, 6 December. 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Venue: Towpath House, Lime House Court, 3-11 Dodd St, E14 7EQ. Cost: £40.00. To Book: http://kirlysueskitchen.eventbrite.com/#. Contact: email info@KirlySueKitchen.co.uk/ or call 07932 594312. Making a vegan Christmas meal is really simple. Watch a demonstration on how to make a starter, a main course, a dessert and a drink, giving you lots of hints and tips. "Kirly-Sue's Kitchen" with over 50 tasty vegan recipes. Contact: Susanne Kirlew <info@kirlysueskitchen.co.uk>. Phone: 07932594312.

THE BENEFITS OF LIVING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE! Friday, 7 December to Sunday, 9 December. Looking for a great weekend and a time of health enrichment? The Balham church Health Ministries department is pleased to invite you in their special weekend "The benefits of living a healthy lifestyle" with Dr Chris Levi and others from Friday, 7 December at 7:30 pm to Sunday, 9 December at 9:00 am. On Sunday you will be invited to a practical demonstration on how to prepare a healthy diet with Ben Asamani. Contact: Olive Griffiths <orutherford@blueyonder.co.uk>. Phone: 0208 2878490.

HAMPSTEAD CHURCH MUSIC DAY/FESTIVAL OF PRAISE. Sabbath, 8 December. Come and join the Hampstead Adventist Choral Society in their annual afternoon of praise to the Most High. Join in the carol singing and Singspiration with the amazing HACS Millennium Orchestra. Enjoy the military sounds of the HACS Millennium Brass. Be blessed by the angelic voice of young Tennae-Nicole Bell, The Hampstead Deacons Choir & HACS Semi-Chorus. Free entry! Doors open @ 4:30 pm. Venue: Hampstead Seventh-day Adventist Church, 66 Haverstock Hill, London, NW3 2BE. For more information, please contact Fiona on dwanell@googlemail.com or mobile 07746 359 839.

A LONDONLIVE CHRISTMAS. Saturday, 8 December. LondonLive presents: The LondonLive Community Choir (LLCC) in concert to raise money for the Dalgarno Trust at Christmas. Come and join us for fabulous music & singing! Be sure to stay for the after party! 4:30 pm @ Notting Hill Community Church (next to Kitchen & Pantry), Kensington Park Rd, London, W11 2ES. Contact: Paul King Brown <livelife@londonliveatnottinghill.com>. Phone: 07810560495.

READY, SET, WORSHIP! Saturday, 8 December. Are you Ready? Let's get Set, for a Worship that promises to be awesome. Luton Central church invites you to join us at 5:00 pm for a crazy praise experience. Support us as we fund raise for Luton Central Youth to attend Impact South Africa 2013.
Free entry. Food on sale. Contact: Luton Central Youth department. <youthlutoncentral@hotmail.co.uk>. Phone: 07792850917.

YOUTH BANQUET 2012. Saturday, 8 December. You're invited to celebrate the end of the year in style by joining us for a banquet at Manzil Restaurant. A 3 course meal will be served while you are entertained by musicians from around the country. Time: 6 - 10 pm. Age: 16+. Price: £25 (£29 after 25 November). Dress Code: formal/evening wear. To pay please visit: http://youth.northmanchestersda.org.uk/. Contact: Grace Nkeshimana <gracenkeshimana@yahoo.co.uk>. Phone: 07875325416.

STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALE. Sunday, 9 December. Open House, Food & Book Sale at The Stanborough Press, Alma Park, Londonthorpe Road, Grantham, NG31 9SL. Open 9 am to 4 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

'ON BIRMINGHAM'. Sunday, 9 December to Sabbath, 22 December. Outreach Network is a new way of profiling the outreach work done by Adventists, launching with two outreach events in Birmingham City Centre during this Christmas season. Musical artists will perform alongside trained evangelists ready to greet the late Christmas shoppers. Every church member is invited to participate in this fun way of sharing our faith. Come to a recommended evangelism training session at Aston-Newtown church, Sunday, 9 December in preparation for the outreach events on Thursday, 20 and Sabbath, 22 December. For more information on 'On Birmingham' and its vision visit: www.outreachnetwork.co.uk. Contact: Keiran McKenzie <keirandanielmckenzie@hotmail.com>. Phone: 07402812530.

THE SHOWCASE CHRISTMAS SPECIAL – WITH TRIO. Sunday, 9 December, 7:00 pm. TRIO AKA Clive Palmer and Donald Brown are the hosts for this event at The New Alexandra Theatre in Birmingham. The 'A Sporting Chance for Peace Sculpture' by the internationally acclaimed British sculptor, Donald Brown will be featured as the key component for raising funds for groups and churches that attend The Showcase. TRIO are two Christian comedians, Clive Palmer and Donald Brown who have thrilled gospel audiences nationwide with clean, hilarious comedy. Book via this link: http://www.atgtickets.com/The-Showcase-Christmas-Special-Tickets/242/4793/. A Global Gallery Limited Promotion. Contact: Donald Brown <donaldbrownart@gmail.com>.

THE DIALOGUE 'XMAS' CAFE @ CLC. Friday, 14 December. Once again the Central London church will be totally changed into an inviting Worship Cafe, a place to meet each other and be met by God – celebrate the Christmas Story! Open-minded, creative, thought-provoking, non-judgemental, Cafe-style, enjoyable. Free of charge, refreshments are provided. Doors open from 7:00 pm, official start at 7:30 pm, closing 9:00 pm. Address: Crawford Place / Corner of Brendon Street, London, W1H 5JE. Contact: Geert Tap <g.tap@btinternet.com>. Phone: 07747568942.

JAMAICA AND TRINIDAD & TOBAGO INDEPENDENCE. Sabbath, 15 December. Oxford Seventh-day Adventist church will be hosting a thanksgiving service starting at 10:00 am and will be followed by a special thanksgiving lunch featuring Jamaican and Trinidad & Tobago cuisine. There will be a cultural programme in the afternoon and a panel discussion on the impact of the diaspora of these two countries on British society. Contact: Nolan Victory <nvictory2004@msn.com>. Phone: 07805828349.

STANBOROUGH PRESS BOOK SALE. Sunday, 16 December. Adventist Book Centre Food & Book Sale at John Loughborough School, Holcombe Road, Tottenham, N17. Open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Contact: Paul Poddar <ppoddar@stanboroughpress.org.uk>. Phone: 01476 591700.

LACU LTD & SEC STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES CAREER FAIR. Sunday, 16 December. The first London Adventist Credit Union Ltd & SEC Stewardship Ministries Career Fair for students completing UCAS forms for 2013 university entry; students sitting GCSE exams in 2013 and planning to take A levels or equivalent in 2013; students preparing to select GCSE subjects in 2013 & students preparing for work placement in 2013. Time: 11:00 - 16:00. Venue: Edmonton Church, 8
Houndsfield Road, Edmonton, N9 7RA. Contact: Marketing <info@lacu.co.uk>. Phone: 020 8216 9895.

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JOB VACANCY. Matron, Stanborough Boarding School – Volunteer position. Closing date 13 December 2012. For more details on this and several other job vacancies please visit our Job Vacancies page.

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