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WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP IMPACTS TYPHOON HAIYAN VICTIMS
A three way partnership between churches in the UK, ADRA and local congregations in the Philippines is making a positive impact on thousands of families devastated by Typhoon Haiyan.

Understandably pre-eminent in the fundraising is the London based Filipino international church. At a Saturday night concert, 23 November, at the Advent Centre, their children presented handwritten thank-you notes to each guest. With a goal set at £10,000 this first of a series of concerts brought their current total to over £4,500. Total donations to ADRA-UK Haiyan appeal have so far topped £54,912.74.

"We want to give people an opportunity to help", stated a visibly moved Pastor Todd Frias. "We are in contact with the Seventh-day Adventist Church there and learnt that over 100 churches have been destroyed."

"It hits home when people you don't know stop you on the street and ask if you are Filipino and if your family is OK", added Nancy. "It's so humbling."

Meanwhile ADRA's network response in the Philippines is moving into higher gear. Funding for additional projects is being pursued with various governments and other donors. Getting essential items to families is proving a challenge as difficult logistics continue to complicate the delivery of aid.

However work continues with doing beneficiary identification (targeting the most vulnerable). On Friday ADRA will have a multiple site distribution that will reach over 1300 families. Another distribution will take place on Sunday.

Emmanuel Da Costa, ADRA Director of Emergency Management states, "All this is only possible due to the incredible volunteerism from the churches here. I have never experienced this level of support of volunteer involvement and resource support."

Tom Pignon, ADRA-UK's emergency coordinator has arrived in Manila and is helping in proposal writing. He joined Zeny Cooper, ADRA-UK's accountant who has been in the Philippines since last Tuesday. You can follow Tom's video blog and read other inspiring ADRA reports on the ADRA-UK Facebook page.

It is the combination of church members' dedication and enthusiasm here, together with ADRA's expertise and the commitment and dedication of church members in the Philippines that is allowing this to happen so fast and efficiently.
The Filipino concert was a success. Heart-rending music, pictures and images of a tropical paradise transformed into a disaster zone, the sharing of heart-wrenching stories of devastation and loss, emotional tears as Rimo and Michelle sang 'This Too Shall Pass', enthusiastic applause for the children's mime group, and a fitting finale from the Filipino international church chorale singing 'In Christ Alone', including the words 'my source of hope is Christ alone'.

It is not often the Filipino community asks for outside help with rebuilding after a disaster. "We tend to look after ourselves and those of us living abroad work extra to send help home", explained Ms To.

"We are quite used to disaster", she added. "No matter how poor our countrymen are, we always have managed to come together and overcome."

Fundraising is happening across the country. While the Filipino international church will host another concert at their church on Saturday, 30 November, at 6:30 pm, Paul Lee is organising a concert on Sunday, 1 December, 5 - 8 pm at the Advent Centre, and Sunday 8 December at 3 pm at Stanborough Park church, Watford.

Small churches are also making an impact. Newark has no Filipino members, save for the pastor's wife. With a small but active attendance of under 20 people they nevertheless raised £240, and then doubled it with a donation from church funds. This is reflective of the generosity being shown right across the UK and Ireland.

Photos from the Filipino concert are available in the Adventist Church picture gallery.

[ Bert Smit / Kirsten Øster-Lundqvist / BUC News ]

LOOKING LIKE A CRIMINAL

"Do I look like a criminal?" This was Joy Thompson's evangelistic introduction to a group of criminal lawyers who were co-residents with the 250 attendees at the British Union Conference 6th Annual Lay Bible Workers' Convention, Eastwood Hall, Nottingham, 22-24 November 2013. Joy delivered her testimony during the Sabbath afternoon, 'story' section, where individuals were invited to share 'real life' witnessing opportunities. She shared how she approached this group of professionals and was able to briefly introduce them to the gospel of Jesus Christ.
Under the title, 'Inspired by the Word', three diverse but expert speakers passionately delivered presentations around the themes of Bible Study and Witnessing. Gifford Rhamie, pastor and lecturer at Newbold College, stated that giving a Bible Study was "a campaign of persuasion" as it "appeals to the mind as well as the heart." His practical sessions encouraged the attendees to "develop a love for the Word of God" so that they are able to "enjoin others to experience a living biblical faith in Jesus Christ" through Bible study.

Personal stories were an integral part of the weekend and Eric Flickinger, Director of the Northeast Evangelism Training School (NETS) is a master storyteller. His closing presentation on how to involve youth in evangelism was particularly moving as he revealed the challenges that his family faced with their young daughter who has an additional chromosome, but the joy that they experience by her being in their lives. He used this illustration to highlight that personal evangelism can be challenging, but can be a blessing for those who become involved with it. Using the examples of Ellen and James White, J N Andrew and John Kellogg, he emphasised the fact that we should "set the youth free to change the world."

"You need to be intentional about soul winning." This is the motto of Alfred Miller Jnr, Evangelism director for the South Central Conference. Miller, a little man with a big personality is on a mission for the Lord. He hosts eight public evangelistic meetings each year resulting in hundreds of baptisms. In his closing presentation, entitled, The Ant Empire, he stated, "it is time that we, like the ants, stop our sluggish ways, and get busy for the Lord."

Break out seminar groups complemented the plenary sessions with expert presentations by both pastors and lay experts. Music was provided by the 'Dream Team' – Marsha Morrison, Tina Brooks, Kwaku and Tyrena Agyeman and George Acquah.

While the adults received training downstairs in Eastwood Hall, the teenagers received training and guidance from Des Boldeau and Joy Christopher and the children were cared for in the WOW club by Maria Samuel and her team.
Ian Sweeney, BUC President, challenged the members with his devotional on Jonah on Sunday morning. "Could there be echoes of Jonah is us today", was the poignant question that he posed to a silent, but engaged audience. Reflecting on the weekend, he said, "I've heard this saying in relation to the many meetings we Seventh-day Adventists attend and participate in, 'when all was said and done, much was said and nothing was done!'". There is a danger that the Seventh-day Adventist Church has simply become a 'talking shop'. This accusation cannot be levelled at the 6th Lay Bible Workers' Convention or the five that preceded it. This was an inspiring and practical demonstration of evangelism that resulted in attendees reaching out with the love of Christ to other guests at the venue as well as having our lay members and pastors inspired and challenged to introduce new and fresh evangelistic initiatives into their churches and communities."

Eglan Brooks, BUC Evangelism director and event organiser concluded, "It's not about success or the increased numbers attending. The convention reminded me that every decision we make to help someone to accept the love of Christ is important for the salvation of others and this is the point of the event – the salvation of others."

A selection of photos from the weekend can be seen on the Adventist Church picture gallery.

[Catherine Anthony Boldeau]

**PUT YOUR PASSPORT ON THE TABLE**

A trumpet fanfare, Pathfinder drum corps and parade of 20 different flags opened the celebrations for a Day of Cultural Diversity at the Dominion Centre, Wood Green on Sabbath (Saturday), 23 November. Organised by Dr Richard de Lisser, SEC Stewardship director, it was the first cultural day of fellowship for the South England Conference.

According to Dr de Lisser, the SEC includes members from nearly all 193 countries recognised by the United Nations, and with this is mind "we should celebrate the God-given gift of diversity in fellowship."
Nearly 1,800 people filled the hall to experience a diverse programme filled with music and the Word. Dr Cedric Vine, lecturer in theology at Newbold College, took the audience through a deep study of the Bible with the theme 'Make us one'. Looking at the Apostle Paul's writing to the Ephesians, he challenged the congregation "to put your passport on the table, as our primary identity is no longer a passport, but a new humanity in Christ."

According to Dr Vine, "God is creating a new humanity." Becoming 'one' is not without its challenges, and Dr Vine compared it with a marriage, when both people have to compromise to become one. In his letter to the church in Ephesus, Paul asks both the Jews and the Gentiles to lose their old way. "No one had it right, they both had to give something up", Dr Vine explained. He ended the study section by challenging the congregation to look at their own cultural background, and what hinders us from coming into this new humanity the Apostle Paul is talking about.

A video on diversity called 'The Insiders' was also to be shown, but technical challenges left director Mervyn Weir with no option but to talk about the video's message of a Church divided into insiders and outsiders. "It was a really deep study", expressed Thembie Mapingire, SEC Counselling Service coordinator. "It made me think about what people say about culture, and how I no longer walk as the rest of my nation but as a Christian."

In an international response, the morning raised £1,800 for ADRA efforts in the wake of the destruction in the Philippines. A curious audience learnt that there are many languages in the Philippines as they were treated to a reflection on diversity in Tagalog, Visaya and Cebuano, three main languages of the islands.

With prayers in English and Portuguese, and musical items by the Brazilian, Filipino and English-speaking churches, Pastor Shelton Kilby III spoke with an authentic voice as he confessed to loving his Church, but not always liking it. "After 30 years in ministry", he shared, "I haven't got the concept of grace right."

He went on to outline how as a Church we get confused about our 'username and password'. Delving into the text from Ephesians chapter 4, where Paul says there is one Lord, one faith and one baptism, Pastor Kilby reflected that this also describes God's Church. He stated, "Our password is Christian, and our username is Seventh-day Adventist."

It was quiet in the hall as Pastor Kilby explained that "we are not united by our Seventh-day Adventism. Although an organic message, it's not an end in itself because the President of the Adventist Church did not die on Calvary. The Head of the Church is Jesus Christ."

Touching on the concepts of discrimination against people who see things differently, including topics such as music genres and our attitudes towards other denominations, Pastor Kilby
emphasised that "God will not bless ethnocentrism. We are not living as Christians when it is ideology and sectarianism that defines us, and not Christ."

With a profound thought for individuals to take home, Pastor Kilby concluded, "God had the wisdom to give more than one culture, one person and one Church. We are not bound by culture but by Jesus Christ. We don't need to be made one, we need to act like one because we are already one in Christ."

Although the service only ended at 3 pm, people were inspired and stayed for the duration. Desiree Peters from Peterborough strongly felt the day was worthwhile. "It made me feel better within, because we recognise each other as one in Christ."

A selection of photos from the day is available in the Adventist Church picture gallery.

[DESTINATION: SIERRA LEONE]

Every year ADRA-UK sends gift boxes packed by volunteers within the UK to children in a disadvantaged country of the world. This year the boxes will go to orphaned and impoverished children in Sierra Leone. The children and staff at Stanborough School took to heart the opportunity to help these children!

"The generosity of the students brought tears to my eyes", said Ms Vanesa Pizzuto, one of the staff members coordinating the ADRA Gift Appeal at Stanborough Secondary School. Together, the students and staff members raised £200 towards the shipping costs and packed 95 boxes.

The promotion campaign included a non-uniform day, to raise funds towards shipping costs. The school invited Sandra Golding to share her experiences and pictures at a whole-school assembly. Sandra visited Burkina Faso – last year's benefiting country – with ADRA-UK to deliver the gift boxes. Her passionate presentation of her time in Africa inspired the students to give generously to the appeal this year.

As part of the campaign to raise awareness, the school organized a friendly class competition to bring in the largest number of gift boxes. Year 7 and Year 8 jointly won 'The Most Successful Form' award by each packing 20 boxes. Year 10X won 'The Most Committed Form' award. Every student in this form packed at least one box. Together, including their form tutor, they packed 14 boxes.
Tabason, in Year 8, received a special mention for packing 10 boxes all on her own. She was closely followed by Gabrielle, in Year 7, who packed 7 boxes.

Stanborough students were not on their own. Thousands of boxes from around the UK were packed, collected, checked and stowed in a 40-foot container that is now in the high seas. Even Nikki from the shipping company, Allways International, delivered four packed gift boxes from the company before the doors were sealed. One thousand of the boxes will be delivered to children surrounding Masanga Leprosy Hospital, an Adventist run hospital once closed during the civil war but now thriving again despite all the odds. 5,000 more will be distributed around the country.

Thank you all for supporting this project; every box will make a difference to a child in Sierra Leone.

[Dennis Edwards. Pictures: Anne Smith Photography]

**OXFORD: CITY OF DREAMS**

How do you touch lives in the city where you live? For Oxford Adventists it was to share their faith through a programme of gospel music and storytelling that focused on the city they love.

*Oxford: City of Dreams*, on Sunday evening, 17 November at Oxford Town Hall, was specially commissioned under the 'Mission to the Cities' outreach programme and was organised by the Oxford Seventh-day Adventist church coordinated by the Sabbath School department. It was an original production written and directed by the acclaimed playwright/director Mervyn Weir.

Participants included the Oxford Gospel Events Choir and the Oxford Philomusica. Special guests included the High Sheriff of Oxford, Councillor Mohammed Abassi, and representatives for Sobell House Oxford (cancer research) and ADRA-UK.

Approximately 300 people enjoyed the deeply spiritual, and sometimes poignant, programme. One person said, "Thank you for the invite to Oxford: City of Dreams. It was a brilliant evening! I so much
enjoyed the music and the drama… I felt proud and happy."

All proceeds from the event will go to two charities, Sobell House and ADRA-UK. Donations for the Philippines were also collected on the evening.

[Joy Anne Andrews. Pictures: Mervyn Weir]

LIGHT OF THE COMMUNITY

When the Halesowen Adventist church plant received an invitation to the town's light switching ceremony on Saturday, 16 November, their minister, Pastor Obi Iheoma recalled the words of Jesus, "You are the light of the world" and encouraged members to participate.

These words came alive in the heart of the Halesowen community as church members joined the Dudley Council and the Mayor and Mayoress of Dudley at the seasonal light switching event. Their adult choir, Advent Melodies, and young people's choir, Angels' Praise, presented songs that were well received from those in attendance. Meanwhile, energetic Pathfinders and Adventurers kept busy by distributing literature while other church members were on hand to respond to enquiries from members of the public. Pastor Iheoma had the opportunity to talk to the Mayor and Mayoress about the mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and the church plant.

[Obi Iheoma]

200 YEAR APPRECIATION OF ASTON-NEWTON DEACONS AND DEACONESES

Eight senior deacons and deaconesses were honoured in a special afternoon appreciation service at Aston-Newtown church on Sabbath afternoon, 23 November. The recipients, George and Irene Bailey, Mabel MacFarlane, Merdena Dennis, George Gardener, Dolores Burgher, Estella Edwards and Nevel Simmonds have between them totted up nearly 200 years of service to the Adventist church.

They were presented with Long Service Awards from the North England Conference Ministerial Association. Officiating at the occasion were Ministerial Secretary, Pastor Richard Jackson and resident pastor, Jeff Nicholson along with Claradell Morgan.
In his address, Pastor Jackson said that the NEC was indebted to those who served faithfully and long and that churches needed to let them know "while they can still hear us" that their dedication, faithfulness and humility was appreciated. He thanked them for their time, the good role models and mentors they have been and the fact that they have performed even menial chores "with a smile and joy in their hearts."

Mabel MacFarlane (85) has served as a deaconess for the past 36 years and was delighted to receive an award for the first time. She cannot remember a time when she has not been helping out in church whether as a young woman in Jamaica or since coming to England. She challenged, "Live for Jesus. Never put Him aside."

See more photos in the Adventist picture gallery.

[ Geraldene Farmer ]

**MISSION TO THE CITIES... FOR ALL**

An annual event that brings together Disability Ministries coordinators and leaders throughout the UK is helping share the responsibility of making the gospel accessible in their communities and churches. Those who attended the annual joint ASNA / BUC Disability Ministries Conference at the Hilton Hotel, Watford on Sunday, 17 November 2013 stated it was, 'inspirational', 'a lot learnt', that they need 'to be a friend rather than a carer to people with disabilities'.

The presentation and workshop by Tony Phelps-Jones, Ministry director of the Prospects charity, enhanced the day as his songs and readings set the scene for worship. Tony was supported by Rachel and Sandra who both live with disabilities. Their contributions and involvement in the day provided an exemplar of how we can ensure leadership and involvement of people living with disabilities within the life of the church.

The day was packed with information and inspiration, whether by SEC Executive Secretary, Pastor Terry Messenger's words of encouragement or Sharon Platt-McDonald, BUC Disability Ministries director, linking the objectives of the conference to the BUC-wide Missions to the Cities project. Patrick Johnson, senior pastor at Newbold church is pursuing a PhD in the area of
Disability Ministries. His thought-provoking presentation challenged the delegation to think carefully about ministry to people with profound learning disabilities.

Grace Walsh (NEC Disability Ministries director) and Elaine Harlin (ASNA HANDS supporter) led two areas of ministry often forgotten – Mental Illness and Deaf Ministry. Sophia Nicholls (ASNA Trustee & SEC Disability Ministries coordinator) led the session on 'Sharing Good Practice'. Here members were able to share their stories and experiences. It was encouraging to hear members sharing that they had learnt 'to be more creative in worship', and 'to identify the many diverse abilities in our church'. Such comments reflected the very objective of the conference.

[Sophia Nicholls, SEC Disability Ministries Coordinator & ASNA Trustee]

**LADIES 'MOVING FORWARD' IN THE WELSH MISSION**

A Welsh Mission Women's Ministries retreat took place, 8-10 November in the beautiful and peaceful grounds of Belmont Abbey, Hereford. The focus for the weekend was 'Moving Forward with the Holy Spirit'. Guest speaker, Malika Bediako, SEC Women's Ministries director, left us in no doubt that the Holy Spirit is very much alive and active as she shared stories about herself and other people with whom she has worked.

Paulette Marceny, from London, added music as she sang three solos on Sabbath morning. The work of the Holy Spirit in hearts and minds, the appropriate words of the songs and awesome tone of Paulette's voice moved us to tears.

We praised and prayed and on Sabbath evening, as Elva Bryan played her guitar, we sang, danced for joy and bonded like never before as the Holy Spirit continued to touch our hearts and whisper words of love to each of us.

[Jennifer Rowell, Welsh Mission Women's Ministries Sponsor]

**ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS...**
Hope Channel Europe is changing. The Hotbird satellite contract will end 31 December 2013 and a new internet-TV based solution will now better serve church members and friends right across the UK and Ireland.

From 1 January 2014 members will be able to watch Hope Channel by either plugging an inexpensive Roku box into their television, using a Smart App on a Samsung Smart TV, or via the website www.hopetv.org.uk on their computer, tablet or mobile phone. There is also a very effective mobile phone app for iPhone or Android available from iTunes or the Android Play Store.

Hope Channel is responding to changing technologies and viewing habits, and for the demand of viewers that want a 24/7 service in their own language rather than the current multilingual service. The channel also wants to move onto platforms that are more easily accessible to the public. While Hotbird has proved to be effective for those who have bought the satellite dish and equipment, it has always only been for a minority audience in the UK and Ireland.

The new service will give you your favourite programmes in English, an ability to watch programmes in a variety of other languages and from different regions of the world, and the opportunity to watch some programmes at a time convenient to you.

How do I get the new service?

In keeping with the whole direction of current media, you will need an internet connection. You then have the following choices:

**Roku:** Purchase a small, set-top box from any major electrical retailer (in the high street or online). Attach it to your TV via HDMI, component or composite cable. Connect it to your home broadband, turn it on and follow the settings. Once connected, go to the 'store', select 'Religion and Spirituality'; then select Hope Channel. Ideally your broadband package should be 'unlimited download' with a speed at or above 2mbps.

**Samsung Smart TV:** Press the Smart TV button on your remote control. Select Samsung Apps. Go to lifestyle and look for Hope TV. Select it and download. It will then appear on your home screen and you can use it instantly.

**Tablet or Smartphone:** Search for Hope TV in your Android Play Store or on iTunes. Click install.

**Your Computer:** Visit www.hopetv.org.uk. This will give you a range of programmes directly available for broadcast on demand, a choice of channels for live streaming, plus helpful information about Hope Channel.
More information about all these options can be found on the Hope TV website.

So here is a Christmas hint for your family members. Just let them know, 'All I want for Christmas is a Roku box'.

**FAQ:**

*Why are you stopping satellite transmissions?* Broadcasters constantly have to evaluate the effectiveness of their transmissions. While Hotbird was the best solution ten years ago, changing technology now means that there are other more efficient, cost effective ways of sharing the message of hope. Moving to internet TV will increase the potential market size for Hope Channel.

*What do I do with my satellite dish?* You will still be able to watch 3ABN on Hotbird for the foreseeable future. The current Arabic Hope Channel 'Al Waad' will also be adding a selection of programmes. However, Hope Channel Europe will cease transmission at the end of December.

*Why Roku?* We researched a variety of platforms and this Internet TV provider is popular, is increasing its market share, and already has a number of Adventist channels available including Hope Channel North America, Hope Channel Church, The Adventist Channel and 3ABN. Our new channel, available before Christmas, will enhance these offerings and give you not just English, but German, Portuguese, Spanish, Indian languages and a growing variety of other options. It is also very affordable.

*Why choose Samsung?* Samsung is currently among the top selling brands of Smart TV. Working together with a variety of other European Hope Channel partners we have been able to create a free app for the Smart TV at low cost. We may look at additional providers in the future.

[Victor Hulbert]

**MOHAP – CIRCLE OF PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP**

Sunday, 17 November was a grey chilly day; however the majority of attendees at the Ministry of Healing and Prayer (MOHAP) day retreat at Stanborough Park church were bright and early. As attendees worshipped, prayed and praised God; hearts and minds were spiritually warmed. The Stanborough Press provided a comprehensive selection of prayer and health books. These wonderfully complemented the MOHAP theme 'Lord make me whole'.
Pastor Humphrey Walters inspirational devotion, focused on the woman with the issue of blood. He outlined how years of hope for healing, was eventually consummated in the touch of the Master's garments. Psychotherapist, Marlene Levy's presentation, 'The impact of anger on mental and emotional health' from a Christian perspective elicited much discussion. Carol Douglas from Manchester echoed others' comments stating, "More opportunities were needed to talk about the extensive issues related to anger." Angelette Muller, a consultant nutritionist, provided a thoughtful and well received presentation on 'Our relationship with food'.

A praise and testimony session provided attendees with the opportunity to testify as to how God had worked in their lives. Chioma Onyedinma-Ndubueze from the Stratford church joyfully testified how God had miraculously answered the 'persistent prayer of a mother'; which had extended over many years for employment for her son.

Pastor Cecil Perry, retired BUC President provided a biblical introduction to the anointing service. Seven pastors from North and South provided opportunity for individual anointing, prayer and brief pastoral counselling.

The next MOHAP day retreat will be on 26 January 2014 at the Advent Centre, London. Please book online at www.mohap6.eventrbite.co.uk. A hard copy booking form can be downloaded from www.mohap.org or www.adventist.org/events. Contact 07407 692 256 for further information.

[Janet Hamilton]

ADVENTISTS IN THE NEWS

Two Adventist churches feature among a gallery representing contemporary Christianity in Britain to be found in the Guardian newspaper. While a number of Adventist churches submitted pictures, two feature in the special gallery of just the 20 top pictures. A Filipino choir is seen performing at Dundee church while Manchester Asian Adventists are seen on holiday at Aberdaron.

Grantham church got a mention in the Grantham Journal as 360 motorcyclists roared through the town laden with presents for children in deprived households. The Adventist church is taking responsibility for the distribution of the presents.
Meanwhile in Darlington two Adventist students are featured in The Northern Echo, with a baking spree raising funds for ADRA and the Typhoon Haiyan appeal. Anga Mwanjoka and Kasia Polkoszek raised £212 through their cake stall.

Those enjoying the BBC2 television programme, The Choir: Sing While You Work, will also have noticed London Adventist Chorale director, Ken Burton, as one of the three judges in the eight part series. The Choir airs Monday evenings at 9 pm. Ken has also been involved in a number of Songs of Praise programmes during the year. This included being music adviser for the recent Songs of Praise Gospel Choir of the Year programmes. The winning choir, the Town Hall Birmingham Gospel Choir, was conducted by Colin Anderson of Balham church, and included a number of Adventist singers from various Birmingham churches.

While not directly in the news, the London Adventist Chorale was with the news makers recently, receiving a standing ovation following a performance at the G8 Speakers' conference gala dinner at the Houses of Parliament.

The choir performed in the Palace of Westminster, where the dinner was held. There were eight tables representing each country of the G8. The choir was told it would be singing during the serving of dessert, and therefore anticipated being 'background music' as with other performers on the evening. However, the hall soon descended into a hush as delegates and their representatives listened intently.

In his speech, John Bercow, Speaker of the House of Commons, was glowing in his reference to the choir, and sent a personal letter of thanks to the choir's director, Ken Burton.

Whether singing, writing, baking cakes, or distributing gifts, Adventists are making a difference.

[BUC News]

**TV HIGHLIGHTS ON HOPE & REVELATION**

Programme highlights for the coming week include:

On Revelation TV (Sky 581 or Freesat 692): In FaithTalks, Thursday 28 November, 8:30 pm, repeated Sunday 1 December at 1:00 pm: *Is Christianity a straitjacket?* Next week, on Thursday 5 December, repeated Sunday 8 December: Why is Christianity so divisive?
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 29 November: 8:00 pm: In Conversation: Elvira Pearson – What makes a missionary?  
8:30 pm: FaithTalks: Faith and the single person,  
Midnight: The Journey: Why did Jesus have to die?  
Sabbath 30 November: 9:00 am: In Conversation: Tom Pignon – What makes an ADRA worker?  
7:00 pm: In Conversation: Elvira Pearson – What makes a missionary?  
7:30 pm: FaithTalks: Faith and the single person,  
8:00 pm: The Journey: The Angels' song  
Monday 2 December: 12:30 pm: In Conversation: Paul Clee – Humour – even through difficult times,  
9:30 pm: The Journey: Hiroshima,  
Wednesday 4 December: 8:00 am: The Journey: Hiroshima,  
11:00 pm: In Conversation: Paul Lockham – The reluctant Christian  
Friday 6 December: 8:00 pm: In Conversation: Lutz Rental – Suicide to salvation,  
8:30 pm: FaithTalks: Faith in an urban community,  
Midnight: The Journey: Iona and worship,  
Sabbath 7 December: 9:00 am: In Conversation: Elvira Pearson – What makes a missionary?  
7:00 pm: In Conversation: Lutz Rental – Suicide to salvation,  
7:30 pm: FaithTalks: Faith in an urban community,  
8:00 pm: The Journey: Hiroshima

[BUC News]

COMING EVENTS

For a full listing of Coming Events please visit http://adventist.org.uk/events

Sabbath 30 November:  
10th Anniversary Celebration – Welwyn Garden City – special service of Praise and Thanksgiving commencing at 10:30 am. Applecroft School, Applecroft Road, WGC, Herts, AL8 6JZ.

Saturday 30 November:  
A cappella and Acoustic Concert, Wednesfield Adventist church at 5:00 pm. FREE admission.  
Fundraising Concert at Luton North Adventist church, 6:30 pm.

Balham Fundraising Concert – for 3 theological studies students. Doors open 5:30 pm with free entry.

Sunday 1 December:  
NEC Church Officers' Training day – final training day, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.  
ABC Book & Food Sale, 10:00 am at Brixton Adventist church.  
Banbridge Fundraiser for the Philippines Disaster at 10:30 am. The Banbridge church website and Facebook page will have more information and photos as the event draws near.  
The Loop – Workshops. On the 1st Sunday of the month at New Life church, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.  
SEC Pathfinder Banquet 2013 – 4:00 pm at the Regency Banqueting Hall, Tottenham. Prices: adult £35; child £25 aged 10-17. Please click here to purchase your ticket.  
Friday 6 - Sunday 8 December:
Irish Mission Jesus 7 – Training Weekend, for pastors and church leaders at the Airport View Hotel. For more information, please contact Marci Neal at the Irish Mission office.

Saturday 7 December:
Greenwich Pathfinders Fundraising Concert at 6:30 pm.
Marriage Enrichment Dinner at the Marriott Hotel, Middlesex. Time: 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm.

Sunday 8 December:
ABC Book & Food Sale, 10:00 am at Holloway Adventist church.
Seasonal Banquet for the D/deaf community and their hearing friends. Start time 3:00 pm at Lewisham Adventist church. Tickets are £15.00 and are available by emailing Michele Gordon at deafministries@lewishamadventist.org.uk.

Sunday 15 December:
ABC Book & Food Sale, 10:00 am at the John Loughborough School.
The Loop Christmas Bake Sale, 12 - 3 pm at New Life Adventist church.

For more details and a larger selection of events both this weekend and in the future please visit the Coming Events website where events are continuously updated online. Select your region for events nearest to you. You can also share events important to you on your Facebook or social media profile. You can also submit your event at the same location.

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