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PASTOR CECIL PERRY AWARDED HONORARY DOCTORATE

Pastor Cecil Roy Perry, a long serving pastor and former President of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the UK and Ireland was awarded an honorary doctorate during a ceremony at the
Northern Caribbean University, Jamaica, on Sunday, 10 August 2014.

The University awarded the honorary degree, 'Doctor of Religion and Theology (Honorius Causa)' in honour of the 47 years of service Dr Perry rendered to the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

British Union Conference Treasurer, Mr Victor Pilmoor, attended the ceremony, having worked alongside Pastor Perry for many years. Victor stated, "Pastor Perry was recognised and honoured for a range of services over 19 years in Jamaica in the fields of Pastoral, Education, Departmental and Administration. In addition, 28 years in Britain, most notably as President of the British Union Conference for 15 years. He will be remembered as a wise conciliator, a friend to all, an observer of life with a common touch, and for his great humour. Among leaders he offered mercy, did justice and walked humbly with his Lord."

Wherever he worked, the words 'much loved' and 'respected' can be used. Born in 1937 and raised in Savanna-La-Mar, Westmoreland, Jamaica, his Methodist/Moravian mother, who later became an Adventist, prayed that he would become a minister. Her devotion to God made a deep impression on Pastor Perry and in 1951 he was baptised and went to study at Mannings High School. Responding to the call to ministry he wanted at first to be a medical missionary. However, he pursued his pastoral training at West Indies Training College (now Northern Caribbean University), graduating top of his class with the first B.Th. degree offered by the newly upgraded senior college.

Whilst at college, Pastor Perry actively participated in college life, serving as Sabbath School Superintendent as well as President of both the Excelsior Club and Student Association. His passion for evangelism was kindled as he joined other students to establish the Cedar Grove church near the College.

Pastor Perry entered ministry in 1960 serving as Bible and Science teacher and subsequently as Head Teacher of Harrison Memorial High School. In 1967 he married Alma, a qualified nurse. As a successful Pastor-Evangelist and Church Builder, Pastor Perry's gifts led him to hold departmental portfolios in the West Jamaica Conference including Youth, Pathfinders, Sabbath School, Education, Community Ministries, Personal Ministries, Conference Evangelist, and Executive Secretary. In 1976 he graduated from Andrews University with an MA in Religion.

Life changed dramatically for Pastor Perry and his young family when, in 1979, he responded to a call to come to the United Kingdom. Together with Alma and their three children, Paul, Christopher, and Sheryl, they arrived in the midst of deep snow and arctic blizzards. He took leadership of the Brixton and Battersea district of churches and, from the outset, set about blazing an evangelistic trail under tents and in churches resulting in hundreds of baptisms. He
also successfully negotiated the exchange of the Brixton Adventist church on Ferndale Road with the five times larger Church of England facility on Santley Street to hold the burgeoning Brixton Church membership.

Life was not always easy. During the Brixton riots in the early 1980's Pastor Perry served as a mediator to help in the process of healing and reconciliation. He worked along with the Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Scarman to produce the Scarman report into the Brixton riots. He also sat on the local Ministerial Fraternal, the Independent Housing Association, the Independent Adoption Board and the Police Liaison Committee.

In 1981 Pastor Perry was called by the South England Conference (SEC) to serve as Personal Ministries, Community Ministries, Religious Liberties, and Education director. Four years later he became President, leading the SEC in evangelism under the theme of 'Harvest London'. This again saw hundreds of new members added to the church.

Recognising his leadership skills, and his natural ability of enabling diverse groups to work together, Pastor Perry went on to serve as the first non-white President of the British Union Conference (BUC) from 1991-2006. Under his leadership the BUC flourished in areas such as education, evangelism, church nurture, health and pension provision for its workers as well as establishing financial stability for the Union.

Before his retirement in 2007 Pastor Perry served as Ministerial director for the SEC, concluding an outstanding career caring for the Luton district of churches and Watford Town.

While travelling back to his alma mater to receive this honour, it should be noted that, though retired, Pastor Perry is still preaching and teaching, sharing his advice and wry humour. The entire leadership of the Adventist Church in the UK pay tribute to his skilful leadership over the years and are proud that he has been honoured in this way.

Opal Johnson-Christie, SEC Education director and sponsor for this honorary award, stated, "Pastor Perry is a well-respected and distinguished International Elder Statesman of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. His wisdom, work and commitment to the growth of the Church are engraved on the pages of its history. Pastor Perry has established an indelible legacy of service to God, to His people, and to His Church."

[Richard de Lisser]
4000 COME TOGETHER FOR SEC LONDON DAY OF CELEBRATION

Members from across London churches and beyond, poured into the London ExCel's International Convention Centre, from 10.30 am, for a London Day of Celebration, on Saturday (Sabbath), 9 August.

The London Adventist Advisory Committee (LAAC) had planned the large celebration to unite Adventist churches around London through excellent music, a powerful sermon and essential fellowship.

"The day has been amazing, the atmosphere of having 4,000 people here has been wonderful and the fellowship immeasurable", commented Pastor Ebenezer Jones-Lartey, leader of the LAAC. "We definitely will be doing this again! Members have said they want us to do it yearly, but because of the expense, I think we will have to do it every two, or even three, years."

Pastor Raafat Kamal, newly appointed Trans-European Division (TED) president, attended the event as his first official assignment since his election. He commended members on furthering key initiatives such as Mission to the Cities.

"It's a privilege for my wife, Heidi, and myself to be with you on my first official assignment since my election", said Pastor Kamal. "We are talking with GC to make Europe a mission field. We need to refocus, because nothing can revitalise our Church as much as rediscovering our mission."

Representatives from North, South, East and West of London presented the recent achievements of their area's local churches, giving special emphasis to activities in July and August of this year.

Pastor Richard Daly, of Croydon church, spoke of a special baptism he conducted for a man who
was not able to come to church to be baptised. Instead, Pastor Daly and a group of Croydon church members visited the man in hospital and baptised him there!

Continuing the baptismal note, newly baptised members of London churches over the past two months were invited to sit in a dedicated section of the auditorium during the programme. Their new life was specially celebrated with a prayer and the presentation of baptismal certificates.

From high baptismal numbers across the areas, to the successes of individual outreach programmes, such as the Dialogue Café, Children's Health Expo and feeding the homeless programmes, members heard how various churches are impacting their communities for the better.

Canadian singer, Tiffany Campbell-Dailey, was invited as the singing evangelist for the event. Her powerful voice enthralled the audience as she sang a variety of songs throughout the morning programme and concert, including a personalised version of the hymn, 'How Great Thou Art'.

Pastor Sam Davis, SEC President, captivated the attendees with his sermon entitled 'Amazing God', which he based around the biblical text of Revelation 12:12. He began by referring to the Easter speech, given by British Prime Minister, David Cameron. He urged members to see the signs of God's soon-coming surrounding them and to become even more dedicated to outreach and evangelism.

"Cameron says that Christians are the most persecuted group around the world, more than any group", preached Pastor Davis. "We see our rights as Christians being systematically stripped away, being put at a disadvantage as Christians. Folks losing their jobs for refusing to conduct a gay marriage ceremony and people suspended from work over praying for a patient, all in a country that prides itself on freedom of speech."

With just a taste of musical elements in the morning programme, from Tiffany Campbell-Dailey and the Ghanaian Mass Choir, the afternoon concert was awash with musical talent.

The diverse concert included beautiful arrangements from the Russian Choir, effective vocals from Jader Feijo, talented instrumental group, Quintessential, and a special performance from Valentin Hristov on
a violin-violin he had made by hand.

"It's days like this that I wish didn't have to end", commented Sharon Paley, from West London. "I hope others have been similarly motivated to breathe new life into our evangelism efforts and that people have been inspired, as I was, by the musical offerings. I feel re-energised and have been reminded to give God my all in the short time we have left to share His love."

You can view a selection of photos from the morning programme and a selection of the artists in the evening concert by visiting the Adventist Church's picture gallery.

[Katie Ramharacksingh]

HIT SQUAD IMPACTS MANCHESTER

It is a blustery day in Manchester and for many people, remaining indoors seems a reasonable option. However, on the fourth floor of Oakland House, the 'Mission to the Cities' Headquarters near Old Trafford, it's all systems go. A group of fired-up volunteers gather after their morning classes and a cooked lunch to pray and discuss the strategy for the afternoon's practical evangelism activities. Soon they will take to the streets, knock on doors, complete their community survey forms and, God-willing, find someone with whom to share the gospel.

Known as the 'Hit Squad', the IMPACT volunteers are undergoing the Level 3 Taskforce Worker Training and form a valuable part of the Mission Possible Programme. This group of students are channelling their missionary zeal towards 'Mission to the Cities'(MTTC) endeavours in Manchester where they are actively preparing the way for further evangelistic work in the area.

IMPACT 2014 coordinator, 22 year old Niason Chityo explains, "Our objective is to impact the community using Christ's method of evangelism. He 'mingled with people as one who desired their good' and sought ways to
meet their needs." He continued, "We knock on doors and find out (survey) what peoples' needs are and based on these needs MTTC has delivered Depression seminars, Parenting classes, Cooking demonstrations and Sports clubs and in that way attempted to bridge the gap between church members and people in the community."

Students undergo an intensive four weeks of practical evangelism training starting with a week of theory followed by two weeks of 'full on' community outreach and finally in week four they are part of an outreach campaign.

Thelma Chigoda from Derby is 19 years old and studies Human Health and Nutrition at Suffolk University. She came to Impact in 2013 and is back again because she wants God to further reveal Himself to her and the direction He wants her to go. She shared, "I have come for a new vision. Last year I sort of gave up on others after a while. I am going to have to balance my Uni work and my calling as a missionary better. I have come for clarity. This year is different. The Lord has shown me that I need to care more. I need to show proper love and also I need to be more patient."

Florence Manji (21) can think of nothing better than sharing Jesus with others every day. She has previously been described as a diminutive dynamo and this PEACE graduate (class of 2012) is showing no signs of letting up any time soon. Stationed in Southport as a Taskforce volunteer since January 2013, she makes the trip to the Manchester MTTC office about twice a week to help "wherever she can". Today she has taught two classes on how to knock on doors and how to conduct Bible studies. She feels blessed because she knows that students can make a big impact on the work in the North England Conference.

Tony Byrne, another PEACE graduate is no stranger to the rigours of door knocking and is part of the IMPACT support team. He started as a Taskforce volunteer in Southport in March 2009. Tony says, "I like the action – knocking doors and winning souls for God. I feel a strong call to do missionary work."

IMPACT teams are used to assist smaller churches or groups to make valuable contacts in their communities. IMPACT is an acronym for 'Inspire Members to Proclaim the Advent of Christ Together'.

I was eager to know what the difference was between IMPACT and PEACE. Niaso was quick to reply, "IMPACT training is free to attend- that's the best thing about it! You do have to get yourself here though."
The Course duration is four weeks as opposed to four months at PEACE. While not as intensive or detailed as PEACE, IMPACT nevertheless provides cash strapped students and other lay people with the chance to undergo valuable training on how to give Bible studies and generate valuable leads. Many IMPACT students go on to PEACE and vice versa, as Niason was eager to point out. "IMPACT really is an excellent platform to get young people involved in evangelism."

Finally, to the strains of 'There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in this Place', the group prepares to leave to go door knocking despite the threatening rain clouds. It appears that making an impact on the city has nothing to do with the weather and everything to do with making an IMPACT for Christ.

For the past five years IMPACT training has been run during the summer holidays by the NEC Adventist Mission and Church Planting Department. In 2015 it is envisaged that the NEC will deploy double the number of IMPACT volunteers for the MTTC year of reaping.

To find out more about NEC IMPACT please contact Pastor Mike Simpson, Church Planting Director at the NEC office for more details. Members who would like to donate to this worthy cause can make card payments directly to the Church Planting Department on 0115 960 6312 or send a cheque made out to North England Conference to 22 Zulla Road, Nottingham, NG3 5DB.

[ Geraldene Farmer ]

ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND BIBLE QUIZZES

At precisely 7:23 pm on Monday, 11 August 2014, the Adventist Discovery Centre reached a significant milestone as the one hundred thousandth online Bible quiz was completed on their 'free Bible' website.

Launched in November 2010 the free Bible website rewards students with a free hardback Bible when they complete ten Bible quizzes online.

There are 28 Bible studies to choose from, each based on one of the 28 Fundamental Beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and on average students spend about 16 minutes completing a quiz. This means that every student who receives a free Bible has spent about two and a half hours studying Adventist doctrines.
The online quiz and the free Bible are only a small part of the story however – the most important component of the programme is the delivery. All over the UK and Ireland the ADC is assisted by a team of volunteers, who deliver the Bibles by hand to the students. Invariably the students are very pleased and the idea is to start a conversation that may lead on to further Bible studies or some connection with the nearest Adventist church.

To date around 15,000 students have registered on the site and 5,500 Bibles have been delivered. Unfortunately, due to the isolated location of some students and the difficulty in finding representatives in every part of the British Isles, more than half of the deliveries have actually been by post – a situation which ADC Director Pastor Des Rafferty is keen to change. "We need more volunteers in more areas, and we need them to be willing to deliver the Bibles promptly. For me, the final link is an all important one. To meet a contact face to face and to dispel any preconceived ideas, to share a conversation and to develop and establish a friendship are some of the reasons why human contact is pivotal to the success of this initiative."

Another need that the ADC faces is funding, both for the Bibles and for the extensive internet advertising which brings the site to the attention of the public. "We offer a range of courses to students, both web based and by post," says Pastor Rafferty, "but it takes time and money to run these courses. We are anxious for those who finish the online quizzes to continue their journey of discovery with us by taking a Bible or Health correspondence course. Church members are very supportive and without their help our programme would be much smaller. So please help us, with your time and donations to reach out to and journey with many more seekers."

If you would like to help with the free Bible project or in any other way, you can contact the ADC on: 01923 672606 or visit their website.

Note: the free Bible website is designed for members of the public but church members can complete the same quizzes (without the incentive of the free Bible) at: www.quiz28.org.

[Des Rafferty]

THE VESSELS BLESSING THE LORD

The Vessels, a vocal gospel group of three teenagers who attend Beckton Maranatha and North Luganda
Adventist churches, made it to the Grand Final of a UK Teenstar Talent competition. The boys registered for this competition back in 2013 and raised their voices against tough competition until the Grand final on 19 July 2014 where they sang their unique arrangement of ‘Bless the Lord’ at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham.

Amidst peer pressure to sing contemporary music as expected by family and friends, the boys stood for their faith throughout the competition, and whilst praising God, secured their place in the Grand Final out of more than 9,000 applicants nationwide. Although they did not win any prizes at the final, their churches are so proud of their godly commitment to music ministry and wish them well in the future.

This is what some of the judges said about the group throughout the four-stage competition:

"Liked the barbershop trio! Great bass and good vocals all round! Great audition well done!"

"You are very individual and have huge potential. It was a very nervy start, but the harmonies were good and gave real vocal depth to the performance. Try and perform as much as possible to develop your confidence and to help get over the nerves."

"Talented boys and well-worked harmonies – there's always a place for vocal harmony groups as there's not enough of them. Now you need to work on your accuracy - there's so much potential here and you guys are going to be awesome soon."

As they develop their music ministry and vocal confidence, the Vessels would be delighted to share their love of Jesus in churches and at social functions. For more information contact Rachel on 07961019177 or email thevessels3.v@gmail.com.

[Rachel Nabudde]
The international nature of Adventism is most pronounced in the big cities, but even a small church such as Plymouth, Devon, can joyfully express its international diversity. The current 43 members listed on the church books translates in reality into 20 different nationalities among a weekly attendance of 60+ each Sabbath. A special international service on 2 September saw everyone celebrating this cultural diversity with songs, readings and interesting facts from around the world.

Pastor Clifford Herman’s sermon shared how cultural diversity was God’s idea! In the beginning God created us like Him, with one language and one culture (Genesis 10:32). By Genesis 11 the people of earth decided to try and build a tower to heaven (Babel) to protect themselves from a flood. They didn’t trust God. So God confounded their language and they scattered to the corners of the world because of their pride.

In his children’s story, Pastor Clifford told about Squanto, a Native American Indian. He was taken as a slave and tried to escape over and over again. Eventually he started working for a priest who taught him that we may be different but we are the same in heart because God lives in us!

A fantastic fellowship lunch with dishes from all around the world included Indian kofta curry, Guyanan rice and peas with coconut milk, and a Czech celebration salad. Among the dessert treats were Welsh cakes and South African chocolate mint cheesecake.

The afternoon became a fascinating time of learning with facts and figures about the Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, South Africa, Philippines, Guyana and Wales, and stories from countries such as India and Zimbabwe where being a Christian is severely frowned upon. Living in England it is easy to forget how often Christians in some other countries have to stand up and risk their lives for what they believe.
We also had beautiful musical items from Zimbabwe, Brazil and even England!

Plymouth may represent 20 nationalities, but it is a church united, seeking God with open hearts, living a life undivided and bound by His Spirit.

[Jennie Hall]

PRACTICAL AND BALANCED: SEC PRAYER CONFERENCE

Where can you find a well-balanced approach to prayer, with both presentations and practical applications impacting the attendees? For 130 people, the clear answer was the South England Conference (SEC) annual Prayer Ministry weekend, 8 – 10 August at Wokefield Park, Reading. In addition to presentation and application, the weekend also provided time for attendees to pray alone.

Pastor Jansen Trotman and his wife, Dr Gloria Trotman were the guest speakers. During 40 years of ministry, Pastor Trotman has served as a pastor and, at different stages, as the President and Administrative Field Secretary of the Caribbean Union Conference. His wife, Gloria, is a commissioned minister, and recently served as Children's Ministries and Women's Ministries Director for the Inter-American Division.

Sharing their experiences and lives, in a very practical manner, they demonstrated how people can implement prayer into their lives. This included dealing with issues like the power of prayers, and asking the question, "Why won't God answer my prayer?" Both during the provided reflection time, and during practical tips on how to enrich your prayer life, attendees were taking notes. This was something the organiser, SEC Prayer Ministries coordinator, Pastor Emmanuel Osei, was delighted to see.

Margaret McBean, from Ashford, was attending the Prayer Ministry Conference for the first
time. She hoped to get advice and help on a practical level to enable their church's prayer ministry to move forward. Others came for different reasons. "I'm here because I need prayer," was one attendee's response. Vineta Krailina from Holloway church expressed the importance of "feeling God's greatness; not just to know that God is great, but to feel it with your entire body." A regular attendee, Winifred Williams from Stevenage, was so eager to share the blessings of the conference that she had invited a church member along to share in the experience.

"Prayer has always been an integral part of my life," shared Hilton Punter from Tottenham Holcombe Road church. "It's what keeps my life going".

An increase in the number of men attending the conference was noticeable. Pastor Osei reflected, "When we started seven years ago the men were noticeably absent. Now God has answered our prayer and we see more men actively involved in Prayer Ministry."

A selection of photos from the Prayer Conference can be seen in the Adventist Church picture gallery.

[Kirsten Øster-Lundqvist]

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1 DAY 3 EVENTS PLUS A HEALTH MOT

Ilford Central Adventist church was bursting with activity on Sunday, 20 July 2014, as the London Adventist Credit Union (LACU) hosted its first '1 Day 3 Events' day in conjunction with Ilford Central's Health MOT for the local community.

The Health MOT's reception post in the front courtyard of the church attracted the attention of passers-by. In addition to the MOT, grateful guests were also able to speak in confidence to a visiting GP, Dr Lendaba Mangena, a non-Adventist who kindly volunteered his time to assist on the day. 'Steps to Christ' and 'Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing' were given to visitors, courtesy of a visiting literature evangelist, Veronica Wilson-
Hart.

Inside the building a further three activities stimulated the mind:

**Entrepreneur Fair**

The first, an Entrepreneur Fair, was open to all. Amongst the exhibitors was a non-Adventist naturalist beautician who saw the event advertised on Eventbrite and called to request 'a table' to promote her business. The service provided by the beautician and the three different brands of homemade skin care products were a welcome addition to the Fair. Attendees were also able to purchase home-made hair accessories, obtain information from a professional Web Designer about creating their own website, speak to Human Resources and Life Coach Professionals, and enquire about a child support/motivation programme.

With a positive response from those attending, LACU now plans to host more fairs as it endeavours to enable members of the Adventist community to work together and support each other.

**'You Need to Know This'**

The second event, 'You Need to Know This', was open to children entering Years 7 - 9 this September 2014, along with their parents. This event was led by a range of individuals including Teachers, Entrepreneurs and a University Events Manager.

An ice breaker focused on the significance of putting God first in all things. This was linked with the importance of seeking God to help our children develop the kind of characters that will make them stand out in a crowd, and be the head, not the tail, at school and later on in their careers. There was an interactive discussion about controlling our emotions, being emotionally intelligent Christians, with strong minds.

Within a fun learning environment, the Year 7 children and their parents learned how to have a strategy in our approach to developing strong characters. They learnt about 'I Messages', and how to use them to be assertive. They also explored ways in which, as strong-minded Christians, they could handle teasing and certain bullying scenarios. A Bible text treasure hunt also gave them promises to lead them through the year ahead.

The older Year 8 and 9 children were advised to keep their options open, not to waste GCSE options, and how to select the best GCSE subjects for their intended University course/future career.

Towards the end all the children listened to short 'pep talks' by three ladies: a mentor, an event manager and an engineer. Both children and adults asked for a repeat session later on in the year.

At the end of the session all the children were introduced to a charity, Curative Music Foundation, which supports various school and orphanages around the world, with its current aim to establish a Music Centre in Kenya. This helped make the children aware of how blessed
and fortunate they are to have the opportunities some may take for granted. It also gave them a focus for what they could do during the summer break to help raise funds for the Centre.

'Surviving University'

The final seminar, 'Surviving University' focused on those planning to start university this autumn. Starting University can be quite daunting. The 'Surviving University' programme was essentially organized to remove such fears and assist in future University students' preparation.

Various useful presentations included 'how to set a budget' and 'understanding how to apply for student loans and grants', 'how to identify part-time employment opportunities', and 'how to eat nutritious meals on a budget'. Although every presentation was important, two particularly outstanding ones were the 'Beyond the Finishing Line' and the 'You've started… now what?'.

These two presentations encouraged the importance of developing personal aspirations and essential study skills, endurance and perseverance. Obtaining a University education can be difficult and learning how to survive and cope prior to attending is very beneficial for every future student.

[Donna Joseph]
health and great preaching. Pick up a copy from your local church or read it online now.

[Julian Hibbert]

SUICIDE AND FAITH

In a week when many are asking how a much loved and warm hearted person such as Robin Williams could commit suicide, we remind you of some Adventist help on the issue. FaithTalks spends a full 28 minutes debating Suicide and Faith. In 'Dublin asks Tough Questions about God,' Kari Rothwell asks Biblical expert Mark Finley questions on Death, and in another episode, on suicide. We would also refer readers to a 2009 Messenger article by Andreas Bockmann on the whole issue of suicide.

[BUU news]

DEATH OF HERBERT BENJAMIN CARTER

It is with sadness that we record the passing of Herbert Benjamin Carter. Born in Cadoxton, South Wales in 1926, at age 15 he went to work at the Stanborough Press, Watford in the Bindery department. He also did his national service in the gardens and greenhouses of the Stanboroughs Hydro.

He married Betty Frow in 1948 and enjoyed 66 years of married life together, leaving 2 children, Julie and Nigel along with grandchildren. They moved to USA in 1976 to be near Betty's twin sister and husband Pastor Derek Mustow. He worked at the Southern Publishing House, then from 1980 until retirement in 1989 at the Canadian Maracle Press. Post retirement he assisted the General Conference, traveling to Russia to help start the 'Source of Life' Publishing House in Zaockski.
He returned back to the USA and was in retirement until his health began to break. He passed peacefully away on 6 August.

[Betty Carter]

DIGITAL FAITH: ADVENTIST TV THIS WEEK

Enjoy these special selections on Revelation TV and Hope Channel:

Thursday 14 August, 8:30 pm – Revelation TV (repeated Sunday 17 August, 1:00 pm). Digital Faith. How does modern media affect the way we gain and share faith? Watch on Revelation TV (Sky 581, Freesat 692, internet and Roku).

Thursday 21 August, 8:30 pm – Revelation TV (repeated Sunday 24 August, 1:00 pm). Faith Talks continues with more current and timely debate.

HOPE CHANNEL. Get all your favourite programmes on Roku, or online, including all your international favourites plus an immediate selection of UK based 'on demand' programming. A schedule, and a selection of ways to watch Hope Channel is available by visiting www.hopetv.org.uk.

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Continuing to Sabbath 16 August:
Morning, noon and night. Summer revival at Camp Hill church, Birmingham.

Friday 15 - Sunday 17 August:
Newbold 1980s Reunion. Newbold College of Higher Education is hosting a reunion for staff and students from the 1980s.
Sabbath 16 August:
**BUC Religious Liberty Festival.** This event is now FULLY BOOKED, however, please watch the Live Stream via [http://live.secmedia.org](http://live.secmedia.org). Venue: Bethel Convention Centre, Kelvin Way, West Bromwich, Birmingham, West Midlands B70 7JW.

**Praise until something happens.** An evening of cultural praise, featuring musical items that represent different cultures and practices. Time: 4:30 pm. New Life Centre, 8-10 Lennox Road, London N4 3NW.

**SOLOFEST 2014.** Unattached Christians of all ages and stages are invited to Balham Adventist Church, from 9:30 am onwards, for a packed day of fellowship, inspiration and empowerment. Read more about last year's Solofest [here](http).

**I'm Every Woman.** A special Women's Ministries day at Palmsers Green church.

Sunday 17 August:
**Croydon church summer fete.** 1 – 6 pm. Stalls, food, fun, book signing. In aid of women's ministries event.

Monday 18 – 24 August:
**Extreme Teens Camp – Chapel Porth.**

Friday 22 – 24 August:
**SEC Ministerial Family weekend.**

Sabbath 23 August:
**Croscombe church celebrates 100 years.** All welcome but please register that you are coming.

**Lest we forget.** Wolverhampton Wednesfield education invites you to a special day at the Royal School, looking at the way early pioneers of the church laid a foundation upon which the church has been built.

**Sabbath 23 August – Sabbath 30 August:**

**'Mind the Gap'** evangelistic series at Southampton Adventist church.

Sunday 24 August:
**'THE VIRTUOUS BUSINESS WOMAN'.** Dr Deborah Harris (USA) is back by popular demand for one day only, Sunday, 24 August. Venue: Woodland Grange Conference Centre, Leamington Spa. See [website for full details](http) and book now – limited space and popular speaker.

**FAMILY FUN DAY** by 'mums in action' on the grounds of Stanborough School, including an open-air concert.

**Roller Coaster Jam** – a summer skating extravaganza at York Hall, Bethnal Green. 2 – 10 pm in aid of New Life Youth projects.

**Sunday 24 – 31 August:**

**Lone Parent Camp – Chapel Porth.** An opportunity for single parents to have a great holiday with their children.

**Friday 29 August – 1 September:**

**MOHAP Annual Retreat.** Come for a time of refreshing, healing and prayer.

**Sunday 31 August:**

**Clapton Community Fair.** – A family orientated fun, fundraising occasion.

Tuesday, 2 September:
**MTTC Prayer night, Manchester.**

For more details and a larger selection of events both this weekend and in the future please visit the [Coming Events website](http) 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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**SMALL ADS**

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