TOGOLESE CHILDREN & LEADERS EXPRESS THANKS FOR ADRA GIFT BOXES

The satisfying climax of ADRA-UK's annual Gift Box Appeal took place in February as thousands of Togolese children received their little presents. ADRA-UK representatives were unable to attend the distribution this year, but with ADRA Togo taking
the lead, children attending a variety of impoverished schools across the country benefited from the lovingly pack gifts from our church members throughout the UK. ADRA Togo hope these momentary gifts will also have a more lasting effect by encouraging and emphasising the continuing need for education programmes across the country.

Not only were the gift boxes shared with Togo but also the day-to-day humanitarian work of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency was highlighted, as a variety of newspapers and television networks attended the opening ceremony for the distribution. They joined parents, government officials, the President of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Togo, community chiefs and, most importantly, hundreds of grateful and expectant children. Pastor Komlavi Semenu Amegan, President of Seventh-day Adventist Church, remarked on the variety of goods that were in each box and how children's physical, social and educational needs were met by each present.

ADRA Togo also recorded a video of the initial distribution of the gift boxes.

The distribution of the gift boxes is just another way in which ADRA-UK's supporters are making lifelong changes around the world. The distribution is the official end of the Togo Gift Box Appeal and the staff at ADRA never cease to be amazed by the tireless effort, dedication and sacrifice made by those who fill boxes with not only necessities but the gifts that will really make children smile.

The team are always surprised and encouraged by the enthusiasm of thousands of volunteers – including many school children – across the British Isles. ADRA-UK CEO, Bert Smit, always finds himself quite moved by such a massive volunteer response. "I want to say a big thank you to everyone who packed, paid for and checked a box! It is such a rewarding feeling to be involved with the gift box appeal."

The destination for the 2015 ADRA Gift Box Appeal is not yet decided but be sure, working with the local churches ADRA-UK will continue to help and benefit thousands of children living on the edge of existence.

[Sophie Gordon]
A mix of inspirational seminars and equipping workshops transformed the lives and thinking of both media professionals and interested lay-members who attended GAiN, a South England Conference Communication and Internet event, held at Newbold College, 26 February - 1 March 2015. The Global Adventist Internet Network, originally developed by the Adventist World Church, including an annual global conference, has now spread to regional and local levels. The emphasis of this second local GAiN, organised by SEC Communication and Media director, Kirsten Øster-Lundqvist, was to provide workshops and lectures that enhance skills and share ideas relevant to communicators in a local church setting.

Under the theme of 'Stories', GAiN was cutting-edge from the start. The keynote address by Netherlands Union Youth director, Tom de Bruin focused on 'Storytelling for the contemporary world'. This merged into the subject of 'awesomeness' – and was, in fact, a paradigm-shifting presentation of meta-modernism, the new generation description for those who are truly interested in cutting-edge evangelism. "Stories create meaning without forcing meaning on people", de Bruin claimed.

"It is hard to draw the balance between expert lectures, workshops and the difference between theory and presenting ideas that make a practical difference in the life of a local church. GAiN succeeded in that", commented Victor Hulbert, British Union Conference Communication and Media director. These thoughts were echoed by John Beckett, Director of Global Software and Internet at the General Conference. He added, "It was a very well organised conference and the presentations were excellent. I really enjoyed meeting with the people who came."

Celeste Ryan Blyden, Vice President for Strategic Communications and Public Relations for the Columbia Union Conference, USA, left an impression on many attendees by addressing important topics such as 'branding' and 'how to deal with crisis communication' – both within the Church but especially with the media when Adventists unexpectedly find themselves in the news. Her gracious interest, mixed with passion, experience and professionalism, left attendees with much to think about, and with an added skill set.

Lectures, workshops, interaction and lively fellowship flowed through the weekend until the final presentation by North American Division Communication director, Dan Weber. He closed by sharing how short,
well produced, carefully scripted and filmed video snippets can open up transformational discussions, even in some of the difficult areas of faith and church life.

"GAiN has been delivered at such an exceptional high standard throughout", shared Christopher Levy. "This was the high standard of professionalism I expect to get when I go to a professional conference."

During the conference live tweets were available and as church members and college students joined for the Friday night and Sabbath morning services, they were able to catch up with tweets from earlier presentations. "We should tweet like this in church more", expressed Miriam Johnson, a young adult church member. "It made me focus more on what was being said."

Local talent was also in evidence. Newbold member and AWR engineer, Daryl Gungadoo, presented workshops on photography and PA use in local churches; Mervyn Weir riveted his audience as he focused on the importance and practical intricacies of design, while another Newbold member, Eileen Becejac, shared how to market your church event. She highlighted the success story of the sisterhood of Newbold church showing how they use a variety of PR methods. However, she said, "the most important aspect of their ministry is that all endeavours are bathed in prayer."

Victor Hulbert demonstrated from his vast experience of talking in context how the Adventist story can be told to a wider audience by utilizing current or historical events that are in the public eye. He then brought the national story to a local level showing how even a simple YouTube put together by a 17-year-old can be an attractive and powerful witness.

On Sabbath morning Kirsten tag-teamed with first Tom de Bruin and then with Victor Hulbert in sharing ideas and interviews of 'God's story through us'. It was an eye-opener to see how simply telling a story, sharing an experience, or recounting an answer to prayer, could actually be a more powerful act of worship than preaching a well-constructed sermon. Karin Wieczorek was one of many who reflect how impressive it was "to listen to the many stories of encounters with God that we have as Christians, which we can share simply with other people, both digitally and face to face." Tweets and comments from Newbold youth and others multiplied the impact the stories were having.

While GAiN was an SEC event, professionals and participants came from many different
countries and disciplines. This added to the richness of such a conference. Stan Jensen, who cares for Adventist Communication in Canada, stated that this was, "one of those gatherings where I took in every meeting possible, yet one of the most beneficial things that happens is who you network with around the supper table. That alone made the trip worthwhile." He returns to Canada knowing that he now has additional people resources "to enhance how we do ministry in Canada."

"The themes of the conference were crucial for the progression of the Church, in all departments, at all levels", expressed Colin Gordon, from SOS community church in Southend. "Attending the GAiN conference, made me proud to be an Adventist, to belong to the same Church family as so many skilled people, who work so hard to bring Jesus to the lives of many", expressed Wieczorek. "This certainly showed that we as Adventists are blessed with consummate professionals, and still have the drive to share the good news in the most cutting-edge ways."

Even a non-technie could benefit from the weekend, as Anna Radosh, a church planter and leader of the Polish ministry in the SEC concluded. "It was great to see my husband connecting with other techies in the Church, and as a non-technie I learnt so much more than expected about communication that I can use in my ministry."

A selection of photos from the weekend can be found on the Adventist Church's picture gallery. Many of the presentations are now available for viewing via the SEC Communication department.

[Karin Wieczorek / SEC Communication]

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WESTON-SUPER-MARE CHURCH HOSTS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Weston-Super-Mare is one of a number of Seventh-day Adventist churches across the country that hosted a special service to celebrate the Women's World Day of Prayer, sharing their worship with other Christians and churches in the area.

The service this year was focused around the
Bahamas with the theme taken from the words of Jesus, 'Do You Know What I Have Done to You' John 13:1-17. The service format is shared by churches and religious groups all around the world on the first Friday in March. This creates a worldwide wave of prayer. Each year a different country is selected and it then becomes their responsibility to put together the service.

On this beautiful sunny morning members of the Weston church prepared a welcoming scene with large colourful tissue flowers, posters and fruit. The ladies taking part in the service wore brightly coloured scarves which portrayed a picture and feeling of the Caribbean. In the background Caribbean music softly played and a PowerPoint presentation displayed pictures and information about the Bahamas.

In the passage found in John 13, Jesus washes the feet of the disciples and He tells them to do this in remembrance of Him. This was emphasised in the service by a young lady walking up and down the aisles with a bowl and towel. At the same time a short video was inserted into the presentation showing the foot-washing ceremony in Weston church during a regular communion service. In a packed church this made an impression on the many visitors from surrounding churches who came to join in worship with the Adventist congregation.

The atmosphere was one of friendship, and Christian love. Everyone felt a sense of unity and warmth as they joined hands to sing 'Let there be love all around us'.

Jennie Gallagher is the Women's World Day of Prayer representative for the Weston Adventist church and has been involved with this special day for approximately 25 years. As a result she has built up a friendship with people from many churches within the Christian community.

For Jennie and her team, a lot of hard work and preparation paid off. Many people came forward to say how much they enjoyed the service. The Weston church recognises the importance of working together with the community in many areas. Over the years they have made good friends through the cookery club, a craft club and by supporting the Weston Food Bank.

Weston joins with Banbridge church in Northern Ireland, Bournemouth church in the South coast, Newbold church and many others, in joining in or leading a positive Christian activity the builds bridges and changes lives.

[Yvonne Hill]
SABBATH RUGBY CHOICE FOR 15-YEAR OLD EDDISSON

How do you balance a passion for rugby and a love for God? That was the challenge faced by 15-year-old Eddisson Munoz. He is a keen member of the rugby squad at the Queen Elizabeth Grammar School in Wakefield – and his team have been doing well this year. They will now be playing in the national schools finals at the famous Twickenham Stadium.

Yet that success has also brought its challenges. Eddisson's family worship at Wakefield Seventh-day Adventist church and also regularly visit the church in Barnsley. During the past year he has been studying the Bible with Barnsley elder, David Patrick and wife Angela. He plans to get baptised this coming May. However, rugby and Sabbath worship can be in tension with each other as many fixtures are set for a Saturday.

Over the course of this last year, Eddisson felt the need to speak to his school and ask if he could stop playing rugby on Saturday. He explained that this was very difficult for him as his friends did not understand why Saturday worship could not be moved to Sunday. Their parents made comments that his talent was a gift and should be expressed, and this was a very low point in his life as he felt very isolated in a big world that did not understand his beliefs.

A family is there for support – and in this low point support came not just from his parents, but also from David and Angela who in turn presented the concern to Barnsley church family. They made it a matter of prayer.

Eddisson's parents met with the head coach at the school and spoke about worship and baptism. "To our surprise they were very understanding and accepted our wishes concluding that mid-week games would be his priority and only big cup games on Sabbath", father Eddy explained. He added, "The outcome has been a blessing. We know that more needs to be done but he is going in the right direction."

The tension between academic or sports achievement, peer pressure and commitment to God is a difficult one for our youth – and while he is still on a journey of growth, Eddisson is grateful for the support he is getting from his church family.

Eddisson is currently excited to be heading to Twickenham later this month. His school just won the semi-finals last Sunday against the Wirral Grammar School 29-5 at Allianz Park, in London, home of Saracens rugby union FC. They will now play at Twickenham on Monday, 23 March.
Normally this match would be on a Sabbath but due to the Six Nations Championship the final is scheduled for a week day.

"Isn't it marvellous how God prepares everything", Eddy excitedly extols. "The school have got to the finals on seven occasions and not won, but this year will be different." He confidently adds, "I have said to Eddisson that our Lord will bless His children." Who knows what the outcome of the match will be, but what is certain is that as Eddisson continues to make choices of faith, not only will he grow, but his friends may also come to appreciate the moral and spiritual choices that he is making.

[Victor Hulbert]

CROATIA PATHFINDER PARTNERSHIP

A Master Guide training programme for local Pathfinder leaders in the North England Conference took an unexpected twist when 'gatecrashed' by a visitor from Croatia. Alan Pozgaj, Croatia's volunteer Pathfinder director was in England for a visit when he discovered that the North England Conference Master Guide training programme for 2015 was starting at the Beaudesert Park Campsite in Cannock Wood.

Alan was in the UK in connection with his cycling business which he runs along with his wife. This is his primary source of income as he is an unpaid worker for the Church in Croatia. Despite the demands on his time Alan said, "What I do, I do as my commitment and love to God and love to our young people."

It was a delight for Alan to take time out on his return journey back to Croatia to spend the weekend, 28 February - 2 March in Pathfinder training at the invitation of Pastor Alan Hush, NEC Pathfinder director. The Master Guide training programme is a one-year programme held over four weekends aimed at equipping individuals with the skills to help young people discover God and themselves through outdoor activities and a curriculum-based programme of study. The training is held at selected campsites throughout the British Isles.
Alan got fully involved in all that took place. He sat in on the various presentations such as Christian storytelling, health and lifestyle, axe and knife safety, and fire lighting. Alan led a morning watch and even helped in delivering some of the training, instructing the candidates in the proper use of the felling axe, both by instruction and demonstration.

Pathfindering in Croatia is still very much in its infancy, currently numbering a little over three hundred in total. However, he is delighted that the clubs there are making progress. The weekend has given him ideas to take back home. "My experience here can be expressed in two ways. First of all it's a good experience for me to be here this weekend, because the way you work with your Pathfinders is at a higher level than what is currently taking place at home. So every minute spent here builds experience I can bring back to my country. For that reason I am very glad to be here and be part of the Pathfinder story."

His second reason expresses what Christianity is all about. He states, "The feeling in myself is the good hospitality and love which I experience from your Master Guides in training and the staff team. They took good care of me."

Alan is now back in Croatia and we know that under his leadership, having seen a little of what we do in the North England Conference, he returns to take Pathfindering in Croatia to a higher level. He leaves behind the warmth of his character and his kindred spirit of Pathfindering – and an invitation to share in Pathfindering in his beautiful country.

[Lenard Stewart]

NEWBOLD STUDENTS COME FACE TO FACE WITH LIFE

Five students from Newbold's undergraduate and postgraduate theology programmes both faced and tackled the themes of life, gratitude, passion, pain, and desire during a Week of Spiritual Emphasis (WoSE) at the college, 2-6 March 2015.

"This semester's theme, 'Face It' was chosen because everyone has experienced, or is experiencing, at
least one of the emotions of gratitude, passion, pain, desire, or the challenge of spirituality in everyday life. We wanted to give people the opportunity to face these issues – and provide them with the spiritual tools to tackle them – as they identified with the speakers during our WoSE”, explained Pastor Alastair Agbaje, College Chaplain and Dean of Men. ”The week also gave our student speakers the opportunity to share their ever growing skills in reaching out to one another through the Word of God”, he added. ”Their spiritual growth was evident through their ministry!”

The connection between each emotion or challenge and the scripture that helps us learn how to deal with them was evident in each speaker's presentation. Business student Domingos Javela found each topic relevant to what both he and other students face in their daily lives. ”I feel re-energised in my beliefs and my desire to wait for the Lord to return”, he said.

Theology student Christian Arildsen explained that he was pleased to be part of the Campus Ministries team that planned the event. ”So many students came together and created such a reflective atmosphere using music, creative worship and art work.”

On the closing evening, postgraduate theology student Ashleigh Taylor-Greaves spoke about life being an abundant gift from God. ”Life is a variety of events – new things happen every day”, she said. ”This difference, this newness, is what makes our lives such an abundant gift.” Ashleigh went on to say that a person who trusts God and accepts that their life is a gift from the Lord is ”...like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.” [Jeremiah 17:8 NIV] The Campus Ministries team created an artwork that depicted a tree, flourishing by the river, and attendees were encouraged to fill out a decision card for prayer, baptism, Bible studies or counselling, and to hang it on the tree. At the end of the week over 35 students had returned a decision card.

The week's resounding message was that our emotions, whatever they may be, can be turned into praise for God.

"The Week of Spiritual Emphasis is always a high point in the semester", said Newbold Principal, Dr John Baildam. ”It gives staff and students the opportunity to really focus on connecting spiritually – both with each other and with the wider Church community.”

Newbold's recent Student Satisfaction Survey highlighted that opportunities for spiritual growth on campus – such as the WoSE – are highly valued. ”Every semester students give their hearts to the Lord as a result of these very special weeks”, said Dr Baildam. ”And that's why our Campus Ministries team work so hard to make this event a success every semester.”
SURVIVING EBOLA

While not carrying such a high profile in current news reports, the Ebola virus is still claiming the lives of many thousands in West Africa. ADRA-UK is working closely with Edward Vandi, a volunteer who is on the ground working in a medical clinic in Sierra Leone. He just sent this report:

"Last week, we were able to discharge 21 patients from the unit. The discharges included 14 confirmed Ebola cases and seven probable cases. Probable cases are those who have had contact with an infected person. They are usually brought into the centre for care and counselling. The disease incident rate has significantly gone down but we still have a long way to go. Now, many survivors struggle to follow the guidelines outlined when they leave the clinics, as this involves refraining from unprotected sex. This is a culturally sensitive issue. Their husbands are also refusing to use protection, often resulting in the virus being re-transmitted between partners. As well as this, some of the nurses who have travelled into the local community have reported back that unsafe burial practices are still being carried out."

Edward ends by stating, "We hope and pray that with God on our side, Ebola may be almost non-existent by the end of March. It is then however, that the battle of survival really begins."

Thank you for helping us to help those who are suffering. To donate to our Ebola Appeal please visit: http://adra.org.uk/donate/. To understand the motivation behind why Edward is a volunteer, watch his video testimony.

MIDDLESBROUGH MEN MOVED BY FILM EVENING

The women may have been celebrating a World Day of Prayer, but in Middlesbrough Adventist church
the men took time on Saturday evening, 7 March to meet together for a special Men's Ministry film and food evening. The second event of 2015, the programme started with the men watching the film *Fireproof*, and afterwards enjoying a plate of vegetarian curry and rice.

The film looked at a couple who were on the verge of getting a divorce, and it seemed to touch most of the men who attended. After the film there was an opportunity to order a PDF version of the '40 Love Dares' guide which was a major feature in the film. Two of those attending also expressed a wish to order the DVD as they have friends and relatives who are at a crossroads in their marriage right now. They felt the film could make a difference. The aim of the Middlesbrough Men's Ministry is to minister to the needs of men.

[Colin Woodford]

NEW CHURCH FOR BILSTON

The dedication of a brand new Adventist church in the Bilston area of Wolverhampton takes pride of place on the front page of the 13 March *Messenger*, official journal of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the UK and Ireland. Enhancing Health takes a look at Artificial sweeteners, Julian Hibbert is intrigued by The 'Internet of Things', Pastor Ian Sweeney reflects on his mortality and deathbed confessions, while Avery Davis gives some very practical suggestions of what a caring church should look like.

Pick up a copy in your local church or [read it online](#).

[Julian Hibbert]

ALSO IN THE NEWS

Ireland is about to hold a referendum on same-sex marriage – a somewhat contentious issue in what is largely a Catholic country. Giving an Adventist perspective to the debate, Irish Mission President,
Pastor David Neal has posted on the Irish Mission website that "it is always important for us to be true to the biblical view on such matters. At the same time we must be constantly aware that we can often, in our words and our deeds, fail to convey the depth of understanding, grace, love and care our community has for all people in the name of Christ."

Bournemouth church are delighted to report the baptism of Loreto Palopalo. Not only was it a special day for her, but also for Pastor Stanley Texeiro. It was his first baptism in the UK since relocating from Brazil last year.

When Newbold representatives attended a Youth Congress in Holland last weekend, they didn't realise they would also reconnect with a former student who is now studying to making a difference around the world.

On a broader world picture, Adventists are yet again back in the news and continued health studies point out that the Adventist diet helps reduce the risk of certain cancers. The World Church Health department has also published a statement on the use of vaccines.

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FAITH TALKS ON FUNDAMENTALISM

Have you shared Adventist programming with your friends? Twice weekly, viewing audiences across the UK and Ireland get the opportunity to learn something about Adventists and their beliefs when they tune into Revelation TV: Thursdays 8:30 pm repeated Sunday at 1:00 pm:

Thursday 12 March (repeated Sunday 15 March):
The challenge of religious fundamentalism faces not just Muslims. Kirsten Øster-Lundqvist talks about Fundamentalism and Faith with guests, Pastors Sinisa Horvat and Douglas McCormac. Thursday 19 March (repeated Sunday 22 March): Kirsten will be back to look at issues of Good
and Evil. Do we still believe in a devil in the 21st century?

Thursday 26 March (repeated Sunday 29 March): How do you deal with Faith in the face of grief?

To find out how to watch Revelation TV, click here. The new series will also shortly be released on the www.hopetv.org.uk website and on ROKU, the best IPTV platform for watching Hope Channel and other Adventist programmes.

[Kirsten Øster-Lundqvist]

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

Friday 13 - Sabbath 14 March: 
To Love And Be Loved. In these seminars, author and professional counsellor Jennifer Jill Schirzer shares God-given secrets to healthy relationships. For more information please contact: email abidelifecoaching@gmail.com or Anne-Marie Walker on 07535 945 102. Check link for full details.

Friday 20 - Sunday 22 March: 
SEC Marriage Retreat: Intimate Allies. This event is now FULLY BOOKED. If you would like to be added to a waiting list, in case of cancellations, please complete and return the application form. We will contact you straight away if a place becomes available for you.

Sabbath 21 - Sabbath 28 March: 
Youth Week of Prayer 2015. Check link to download both the Junior and Senior youth readings.

Sabbath 21 March: 
How to write GREAT Christian Music. Join other musicians, singers/songwriters for this powerful, information packed, interactive and spirit-filled day. Click here to book online. This is the first event of the Adventist Musician, Singers/Songwriters Association (AMSSA) and is supported by the SEC Music department, NEC music professionals and the Adventist business owners' network, ASI-UK.

Newtown Music Day. A day of praise and worship. A fellowship lunch will be served but please feel free to bring sandwiches. There will be a concert in the afternoon. Venue: Treowen Primary School, Heol Road, Newtown, Powys SY16 1NJ. For further details contact Pastor Clyde Moore on: 07789 554 876 or 01939 234 786.

Sunday 22 March: 
BUC Women of Virtue Arise. Join us for this very special event starting at 10:00 am and finishing at 5:00 pm. Cost: £20. Guest speaker will be Heather-Dawn Small, General Conference Women's Ministries director. Contact Dawn Tompkins on 01923 672251 or email dtompkins@adventist.org.uk to register. Venue: The Advent Centre, 12 Crawford Place, London W1H 5HD.

Friday 27 - Sunday 29 March: 
Scottish Mission Youth Training Weekend. This year's Scottish Youth Training Weekend will
focus on Youth Leadership & Addictions. Venue: Crieff Seventh-day Adventist Church, Gwydyr Road, Crieff PH7 4BS. **The Revelation of Jesus Christ with Ranko Stefanovic.** Ranko Stefanovic is Professor of New Testament at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. 7 - 9 pm on 27; all day Sabbath and Sunday. Contact number: 07828 740 975 / 01162 758 556. Venue: Leicester Central Adventist Church, Corner of London/University Road, Leicester LE2 1EF.

**Sabbath 28 March:**
- **Camp Hill Youth Day.** Theme: God wants you back! Time: 9:15 - 18:15. Venue: Camp Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church, Sparkbrook, Birmingham B12 0JP.
- **Scottish Mission Youth Day of Fellowship.** Time: 10:00 - 17:00. Please email audreymutongi@yahoo.co.uk for more info. Venue: 6 Forest Crescent, Fowlis Wester, Crieff PH7 3NR.

**Wednesday 1 - Sunday 5 April:**
- **SEC Prayer and Faith Conference.** SEC Teens Ministries would like to invite you to the April Prayer & Faith Conference at Newbold College in collaboration with the Welsh Mission Youth department. Price: £75.00 residential. £55.00 non-residential. Places are limited so book early. Check link for full details.

**Thursday 2 - Monday 6 April:**
- **Reborn – BUC Congress for Senior Youth.** SPACE STILL AVAILABLE: Check the BUC Youth website regularly for more information and ticket releases! Cost: £90 per person.

**Closing date for bookings: 22 March.** Keep in touch via Facebook for the very latest news. Buy your tickets here! Venue: Newland Park, Gorelands Lane, Chalfont St Giles, Bucks HP8 4AD.

**Future events that you need to book for now:**

- 18 April. A free Bible Conference at Newbold College.
- 7-10 May. The TED Master Guide Camp in Slovenia.
- 24-27 May. Book now to join a coast to coast cycle ride raising funds for ADRA.
- 29-31 May. **'Knowing the Time' Religious Liberty Conference.** The Religious Liberty Residential is the first of its kind in more than 20 years within the South England Conference. We are encouraging that churches send representatives. Given the current affairs around the world and legislation that specifically affects us in the UK, it is important that we keep abreast with the changes and seek to make interventions where necessary. See website for full details.

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**SMALL ADS**

JOB VACANCY. **Year 5 & 6 teacher** required for Fleetwood School, Plymouth. Closing date, 5 April 2015. Full details on our job vacancies page.

76-YEAR-OLD TAKES ON 95-MILE 5-DAY CHALLENGE! John Wilby, ADRA sponsor for
Scotland won't be letting the dust dry on his boots this May as he tackles the West Highland Way from Glasgow to Fort William. He invites you to knock the dust off your wallet, and support him in raising funds for ADRA. Visit http://www.justgiving.com/john-wilby2 to raise his spirits and contribute to the great work of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency.

BUC YOUTH CONGRESS EXHIBITS. Want to host an exhibition stand at the upcoming BUC Youth Congress? Please contact Natalie at: bucyouth@adventist.org.uk or see the website for details.

MISS ANNA PISCHLER from Austria, would like to visit England to spend a few days to a month within a family environment to practise her English and mix with new people. She has just finished her school leaving exams (equivalent of our A levels) and is a baptised Adventist. For more information email a.pischler@gmail.com or phone: +49 6501 9310998.

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