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**ADVENTISTS IN ABUNDANCE AT CRE**

With the Christian Resources Exhibition having outgrown its traditional home at Sandown Racecourse, Seventh-day Adventists took the opportunity to expand into four stalls across the
Excel Centre, London. Volunteers from the Adventist Discovery Centre (ADC), the South England Conference Health team, Heroes the game, and Dream Big Kidz all took time to share their resources with the Christian public, 19-22 May 2015.

What made an impression? For Ruth Gledhill, former Religious Affairs correspondent for The Times, and now contributing editor for Christian Today, two Adventist exhibits made a specific impact. In listing off some of the more quirky stands Ruth could not resist the Heroes app "where you test your knowledge of the Bible by playing as Moses Law Giver, Gideon Mighty Warrior or Mary Tomb Raider." The team certainly generated some excitement and active game playing, although some users were disappointed that the newly released android version kept crashing. An update has been promised!

What impressed her more though, was the SEC Health Ministries stand. Ruth wrote, "Here, it's easy to find the Seventh-day Adventists with their bowls laden with fruit, and nurses and pastors offering physical and spiritual refreshment. So efficacious is this new improved CRE that my blood pressure has actually fallen. It is 125/71. Here are yet more Christians doing incredible work."

Although in a prime location the ADC stand possibly drew slightly less attention this year although, as Pastor Llew Edwards stated, "Their idea of sharing rest was really good." Nevertheless the team were able to engage in positive conversations, share literature, and deepen understanding of Adventist belief and ethos. ADC principal, Pastor Des Rafferty commented that they "had conversations with hundreds of people particularly on the theme of 'Rest'." He illustrated the theme through the use of a massage chair which, he says, "certainly surprised, relaxed and locked in their memory their time with the ADC."

The stand was manned, as always, by a blend of enthusiastic and very able volunteers which included retirees, current workers and BUC directors.
Finally, Winnie Nsimbi and Candice Henry, members of the Edmonton church partnered with the SEC Stewardship department to promote two distinct ministries. The first, **Dream Big Kidz (DBK)** aimed at bringing out the best in children and young people by developing their passions, encouraging them to DREAM BIG and reach for their dreams. Winnie and Candice achieve this by running fun, engaging events and workshops to develop self-esteem, anger management, resilience, assertiveness and a range of other emotional strengths. They use drama, music, games, crafts, cooking, physical activities and a range of other activities. Winnie said, "It was great taking DBK to the public, it was our first experience and we made a great number of contacts…we will definitely do this again!"

The SEC Stewardship department promoted its latest resource, a new book entitled: *Diversity: The Challenge for Contemporary Adventism*. Within the context of a large Christian exhibition this could be seen as an uphill challenge but Pastor Richard de Lisser stated that "a small number of the books were sold at the CRE and a number of individuals stopped by the stand to discuss the contents of the book and register their interest." Copies of the book are available for £10 from the SEC Stewardship department.

[Victor Hulbert]

### MARRIAGE EQUALITY IN IRELAND

On Friday, 22 May the people of Ireland voted in a referendum to consider the matter of marriage equality. With a 62% 'Yes' vote Ireland became the first country in the world to legalise gay marriage through a referendum. The headlines of the Sunday papers following the vote claimed "An historic watershed for our country" (Sunday Business Post), "Ireland is a happier place for saying Yes" (Sunday Independent), and "Ireland is a kinder, fairer country after voting with its heart" (The Observer).

What lay behind the vote? In the 1937 Irish State constitution, the nation was described as a 'Catholic State for a Catholic people'. For decades afterwards church and state ruled as one with an iron grip social conservatism, communicated weekly in the pulpit through the local parish priest. But then came repeated child sexual abuse allegations – ignored or covered up by the church. The decline was steep, fast, and furious and a social revolution came with it. Bear in
mind that contraception was prohibited from 1935-1980, homosexuality a crime until 1993, and divorce permitted only after 1996. Still today, abortion is available only for the most limited of circumstances.

Having lost its moral authority, the church was most furiously challenged by the current Taoiseach, Enda Kenny. In a move to clearly separate the state from the church, he declared himself "a Taoiseach who is Catholic, but not a Catholic Taoiseach." Angrily chastising the church back in 2011 for their feeble response to child abuse he said, "This is not Rome. This is the Republic of Ireland 2011, a republic of laws," with the problem due to "the dysfunction, disconnection, elitism – and the narcissism – that dominate the culture of the Vatican." The moment those words were spoken, the Catholic state for a Catholic people was over.

With a neutered church, but without the moral foundation of scripture, it was not difficult for Irish people to say Yes to same-sex marriage. Sure enough Irish young adults voted Yes, but so did thousands of older and rural Irish. While unsure about the new social order, they remembered fighting for 'equality' in times past. Discriminated against in London during the 1950s and 1960s – just for being Irish, it hurt deeply. They would never allow their children and grandchildren to experience the like. In that sense Ireland really did vote with its heart.

The 'No' campaign often struggled to get a hearing with the lead messages, "A Mother's Love is Irreplaceable" and "Two Men Can't Replace a Mother's Love". It was a challenge to communicate belief in 'traditional marriage' between male and female. With religious faith grounded in 'the tradition of the church', the biblical view of marriage was all but silenced by the louder voices of equality and justice for all. All the same 1 in 3 of votes cast were No. In response to the vote Archbishop of Dublin, Diarmuid Martin, said, "We [the church] have to stop and have a reality check, not move into denial of the realities." Assurances have been given that clergy will not be forced to conduct gay weddings.

In stark contrast, the Yes campaign caught the mood of a people, longing for a modern and progressive Ireland, free of social oppression.

How can Irish Mission Seventh-day Adventists respond? In these moments of seismic religious and social change both in Irish and Northern Irish society, prayer without ceasing seems more than appropriate.

_Father God,_

_You once said through your Son Jesus, "You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free". As we continue to trust you and your revealed Word through_
Holy Scripture, help us to see in sharper focus the beauty and truth of your character. Renew in us a respect and love of your law, as seen in and through the life and teachings of Christ. Provide us with a fresh understanding of the Gospel, and the unconditional love you offer. As we hold firm to the great teachings of scripture, help us at the very same time to see and regard 'the other', only ever through your eyes of mercy and compassion. Give us the wisdom to be quick to listen and slow to speak. As our Catholic friends experience loss in the church, may they turn to your Word and discover the truth about you. May our faith be always strong, our hope always joyful, but above all, our love shine in your name to all – without exception. Thank you for your mercy and grace. Amen.

[David Neal]

COOKING IN THE COUNTRY

It was mostly wonderful weather to enjoy the beauty of Daylesford, the award-winning organic farm in Gloucestershire. Ten Health Ministries leaders or members of the church attended for an intensive five-day cooking and health evangelism training, with four days of practical cooking. This culinary and nutrition course is a follow-on course from the initial two-day community cooking hub training.

Each day began with a morning devotion delivered by Sharon Platt-McDonald, BUC Health Ministries director or Marcus Williams, director of Unity 7 and Healing Place. This gave an opportunity for everyone at the school to enjoy inspirational messages. Various members of staff at Daylesford also chose to attend and were moved by the Christ-centred health devotionals.

Angelette Müller, Nutrition Therapist and Chef taught the nutrition and cooking element of the programme. She taught in an experiential way using visual aids to help the students understand how food is literally the building blocks of the body. This included how food works in the body and how our dietary choices has a physiological impact at the cellular level in terms of disease and healing.

The cooking experience included putting together healthier meals, how
to share a healthier pot luck, how to make a healthier lunch bowl or how to build a salad. Breadmaking was another skill that was developed, including baking on a bread stone as well as practical tips on how to make simple recipes such as soups or how to help people prepare transition recipes so that they can eat more plant protein included making a plant-based mince and a 'tuna-free' salad.

The vegan ice cream was a huge hit with both students and the Daylesford staff. Students also toured the organic market garden and got to taste some of the delicious crops including sugar snap peas and organic lettuce.

The interactive course focused on building confidence as part of the educational process. This included assessments at the end where the students worked in groups to demonstrate doing a health talk or cooking demonstration to school-aged children at a church or to help improve productivity at work and in someone's home.

On the final day Marcus Williams taught on the subject of health evangelism and the importance of 'Jesus' Method' in our approach to helping people. Students are now empowered to share their new-found skills within their local church and community setting. It is planned to run the course again in the near future. If you are interested please contact Angelette at createnutrition@gmail.com.

[Angelete Müller]

COAST TO COAST ON A BIKE – SUCCESS ON THE ADRA CHALLENGE

It was a dream come true for eight Southport church members, nine riders and two support team members. On Sunday, 24 May they set off from Southport, cycling via Manchester, Sheffield and Lincoln to Skegness, to raise money for ADRA-UK and the victims of the Nepal earthquakes.

Having gained sponsorship from the Corby, Kettering and Wellingborough churches and the Stanborough Press, Pastor Andrew Rashford-Hewitt was able to organise the event with the help of key individuals. A local newspaper, the Northamptonshire Telegraph took up the story as well as BBC Radio Northampton.

The nine riders came from across England and Wales and covered a range of cycling abilities.
and experience. During overnight stopovers in Manchester and Sheffield, the riders were very well looked after by church members and were truly blessed by their kindness.

Day two was the biggest challenge as the riders faced three climbs as they tackled the famous A57 Snake Pass causing much sweat but no tears as they climbed the 544 metres! With lunch overlooking the stunning beauty of Ladybower Reservoir, the riders then enjoyed fantastic views over Hathersage Ridge as they climbed 400 metres over Ringinglow to then drop down to the Sheffield Carter Knowle Adventist church.

Day three was a scenic ride via Sherwood Forest to Lincoln as friendships continued to be formed and the miles racked up. Day four started with warm-ups by Kelly-Ann and then worship, this time given by Pastor Geert Tap of the Central London church who reminded riders of how efforts, whatever they may be, can bless and touch the lives of others. A quick stop at Lincoln Cathedral for a few photos, including a selfie with a local policeman led to a short police escort to ensure we were going in the right direction. We then pressed on through the winding country lanes towards Skegness, having cycled for four days across country from the Irish Sea to the North Sea. Thus we rolled in under the protection of God and by the love and support of family, friends and strangers who were willing to sponsor the riders for the good of others.

The youngest rider, 10-year-old Eashay rode 65% of the journey while his brother Akeal, aged 12, joined Kelly-Ann Clarke, George Hamilton, Carlson Lewis, Eduardo Jesus, Geert Tap, Chadwick Musevengana and Andrew Rashford-Hewitt in completing the whole journey. They are all grateful for the essential support of Andrea Rashford-Hewitt in providing lunch and vital massages for tired bodies, and Tony Welch who drove the support vehicle and provided essential logistical support.

If you would like to contribute to the efforts of the whole team, to help them raise over £4000 please donate to www.Justgiving.com/Andrew-Rashford-Hewitt2.
It was on 15 November 1915 that an Adventist presence was born on the tiny Caribbean island of Montserrat. Little did she know that when Narna Jane Greaves of Flemings opened her home to Pastor J J Smith for the establishment of a Seventh-day Adventist church, that 100 years on their impact would be felt globally.

Sabbath, 23 May 2015 thus led to centenary celebrations as over 600 Montserratians and their friends gathered from around the British Isles at the Mount Zion Conference Centre, Birmingham for the 15th Annual Montserrat Day of Fellowship. An equal number tuned in online. Despite the fact that many of the Montserratian community in the UK had to flee their homeland as a result of the volcanic activities that started over there back in 1995, they decided that such a significant milestone could not go unnoticed.
Embracing Our Past with Hope for the Future – Heaven at Last' is the theme for the year-long centenary celebrations in Montserrat. It was equally the theme for the day as during the morning programme, members were taken on a 100 year historical journey. This included how the five churches on the island were established. It also incorporated the history of music, Pathfindering and education. The afternoon session added updates on the programmes currently taking place in Montserrat. However, a major highlight was the testimonies shared by members who had relocated to the UK, telling how the volcano had impacted their lives, but showing how God's providential care has helped them to make progress here.

Pastor Ian Sweeney, President of the British Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, addressed the congregation, highlighting the fact that God had brought 'volcanic fallout' to the British Isles for a purpose – to play our part in evangelising this country.

The day's sermon was powerfully delivered by visiting pastor, Wilmoth James. He served the Church in Montserrat from 1992 to 1994 before moving to serve as Director of Youth, Music Ministries and Chaplaincy for the North Caribbean Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Focusing on Hebrews 12:1-3, he noted that in this Christian race we must divest of every weight which may hinder our progress. He reminded members of the importance and need to maintain faith in God as faithlessness is the sin which so easily besets us. They were left with the secure hope that as long as we endure, our victory will be manifest when we inherit the Kingdom of God. "Christ endured the cross for us and His resurrection assures us that victory", Pastor James stated.

There may have been challenges of nature and other
factors, but the Church in Montserrat has grown over the past 100 years as a result of its willingness to carry out His great commission. With members spread around the world, they find themselves to be "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ." Titus 2:13.

[Marcelle Riley]

CHILDREN SAY 'YES' TO GOD

Mums in Action held their third annual KidzPraise event on Sabbath, 30 May at the Watford Colosseum with over 1,000 people in attendance.

The day began with a lively praise and worship with Amplified Praise, a group of teenage girls from the Willesden church in west London. They maturely encouraged the attendees to participate. Malika Bediako, SEC Children's Ministries director provided the interactive 'Sabbath School'.

The usual 'divine worship' slot was transformed into a setting appropriate for younger minds. This included over 150 children, aged 3-19 from all around the South of England singing 'Every Praise'.

The children were introduced to 'Miss Biscuit' who explored the story of the five thousand that Jesus fed with real bread. The children were captivated and enthused as she shared her story and food and encouraged the kids to be like the little boy with his five loaves and fishes to say, 'Yes, Lord'.

"For my three children under five, that was the sermon", said a father from south London, "I'd like to see more of this."

The teens and adults present were blessed by the ministry of Sam Neves, Associate Pastor at the Stanborough Park church who followed the 'Yes Lord' theme of the day to tell the story of his call
to ministry. With his usual passion, humour and enthusiasm, he encouraged those who were mature in their faith to say, 'Yes, Lord'. He based his sermon on the story of the calling of Samuel as a young child. "I believe", he said, "that the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His soon return will be done by this generation, by children, by teenagers."

"The sermon provided encouragement and focus for the older children, teenagers and adults. It was excellent", stated Pastor Cyril Sweeney, Children's Ministries director at the British Union Conference.

The early afternoon programme was rousing and engaging with performances that ranged from piano solos to beat boxing, from a short sketch to a violin ensemble. But the highlight of the concert was a truly outstanding and professional mime from Hyland House School. "Our children were so excited as it's the first time they've done anything like this", commented one lady. Another stated that "our kids had a fab time."

KidzPraise 2015 was 'church and praise without limits'. It was a celebration of Father God, by kids for kids. And each child who participated, whether in the mass choir, or in any other capacity, heard the call, just like the child Samuel and even though, they still have much to learn said a willing, 'Yes, Lord'.

[Catherine Anthony Boldeau and Ariana Charlton. Photos: Kevin Johns, Cathy and Arianne Boldeau]

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WHIT AND WILD AT ABERDARON

Those who have ever visited Aberdaron, the Adventist campsite on the Lyn Peninsula of North Wales, have no doubt about the special 'magic' that it has – and the Whit and Wild Camp has it in bucket and spade loads.

If you were to look at the glossy brochure of a travel agent, it would show you the clear blue skies, sunset
over Aberdaron Bay, the high-speed boats and the golden sands. Sun and sand-kissed individuals with glorious smiles. All of this would be true. But what really makes it so special?

The sun, the sea, the surf …
The food, the fun and games …
The friendships made and renewed …
The worships, the singing …
The freedom from mobile phone and internet access …

For the past 10 years, individuals and families have been joining together for a Whitsun week event organised by Phil and Beryl Emm and their amazing team – and year-on-year the numbers are increasing. Over the spring bank holiday more than 120 came, and left for home at the end of the week, each going home with their own highlights. However, none of us will forget the image and sound effects of a small boy baptising the potatoes, or the picture of another small boy with only a triangle to play. The laughs and smiles gave us the triggers to remember the reason for the stories – that we are chosen by God.

This year we also joined in the celebration of a life dedicated to Christ by baptism in the sea – a confirmation of the truth of the Bible, the acceptance that Jesus is who He says He is, and the first step in a lifelong and everlasting walk with Him. Grace Winnitt, whose family lead the music at the camp, made a decision to get baptised in a location that has had a big spiritual influence on her life.

Thank you to each one who made Whit and Wild 2015 an extraordinary event beyond words and even Joel's special pictures – more of which can be seen on the Adventist Church’s picture gallery.

Joel also produced a short video that may make you want to attend the next camp - but if you want to come next year – book now – it is already ¾ full!

[Debbie Sanders]
Minister and Church Planter Pastor Simon Martin was relatively unknown in Wales until he came to speak at this year's Brecon Camp, which was held over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend, 22-25 May. Now there are dozens of members from churches in the Welsh Mission as well as the West of England who are asking, "When can Simon come and preach at my church?" Simon has a heart for community ministry. His mission is to reach people with the gospel right where they are, making friends with ordinary people and gently leading them to Jesus without necessarily exposing them to the less important 'baggage' that some church congregations carry.

Simon began his series of talks with a quote from John 10:10, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." He illustrated this principle with a 30 metre length of white polypropylene rope, the first 10cm of which was coloured red. "The red bit," said Simon, "represents your life on this earth. The rest of it – which actually extends to infinity – represents the life to come. Too many people", he continued, "are simply living in the red bit, with no idea of what could lie ahead for them."

Throughout the rest of his talks Simon challenged his congregation to think differently about what is really important in life. "Too many people", he said, "spend their time leading 'ordinary' lives where their values are based on how they look, what they possess, or how important they are." Christians however, have been "rescued from the ordinary" and by living intentionally as "the salt of the earth" they can have truly extraordinary lives.

As if to underscore this message the Brecon weather was considerably warmer than in recent years with temperatures reaching into the 20s. This enabled us to have bonfires on two consecutive nights, around which people socialised, discussed the themes of the meetings,
and toasted popcorn and marshmallows.

We are grateful to everyone who helped to make Brecon Camp a success this year, including Anita Martin, Simon's wife, who prepared some excellent craft activities for the children, and Pastor David Foster who came out of retirement to serve as Camp Master.

Brecon Camp is a unique experience which particularly appeals to those who have a love of nature and the outdoors. The site lies in the foothills of the Brecon Beacons and gives easy access to lakes, canals, waterfalls, caves and mountain bike trails. The weekend schedule deliberately leaves the afternoons free so that campers have time to enjoy all of these.

If you would like to experience Brecon for yourself you are welcome to attend our next camp which will be held from 27-30 May 2016. Put these dates in your diary now and check our website for more details nearer the time.

For more pictures from the camp see the gallery page.

[John Surridge]

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS IN BRISTOL

Mission to the Cities (MTTC) Bristol is far more than simply preaching. Church members are part of the community and are positively interacting with local needs and issues. The latest initiative, from Friday 22 - Sunday 24 May was a weekend packed with health information related to breast cancer awareness.

The Seventh-day Adventist churches in Bristol together helped to educate the residents of Bristol on how to take breast care more seriously. Mary Philip, Health/Community and Disability Ministries leader, made it all happen together with support from the BJEC (Bristol Joint
Evangelistic Committee). Special guest was a breast cancer survivor for five years, Yvonne Dunkley. She came from Atlanta, USA to share her testimony and personal experience.

Friday morning brought organisations such as Macmillan Cancer, Breast Cancer Care, Bristol Health Partners, Salad Master, Care and Repair and the local Adventist churches together in the Bristol Central church car park. Each information stall had something different to offer and was managed by a professional. A breast cancer workshop sponsored by Breast Cancer Care from London was held in the church and 13 women from the community attended. A variety of leaflets, magazines and books on both health and spiritual issues were given away to members of the public.

On Sabbath morning Yvonne Dunkley preached on the theme, 'He Restoreth My Soul'. After lunch and a musical interlude, she then captivated the audience as she related her personal experience of surviving breast cancer. Many visitors from the local community attended throughout the day.

Sunday was the culmination of the weekend with a special walk in aid of supporting the fight against breast cancer. The route was mapped out by Mary Philip, Lanolin Dowe and Marcia Henderson, Health Champions and Walk Leaders trained by the Council. It also had the full backing of Bristol City Council who advertised the walk in their brochure as May had been designated as 'Walk for Health Month'.

Up to sixty people came out in support of the cause. Wearing their pink T-shirts with the slogan 'Feed the Fight Breast Cancer', after registration and an opening prayer by the church pastor, Anand Measopogu, the walk left from the Bristol Central church car park, led by the Bristol Central Pathfinder Drum Corps together with Lloyd Young, BJEC chairman, Hughlin Turner and ten marshals who directed and diverted the traffic as needed. The walk ended in the centre of Bristol, where snacks and smoothies were provided. To gain these people had to peddle on a smoothie bike, courtesy of Evan Green from Newport church.
The event gained attention on BBC Radio Bristol and Ujima Radio and included interviews with Yvonne Dunkley and Mary Philip. Yvonne reported that she was very encouraged by the spirit of goodwill, fellowship and acceptance she received from Bristol.

"The event was a success", Mary Philip concluded. "The goal was to raise awareness in aid of support for purchasing a mammogram machine for use in Jamaica, and many people gave towards and physically supported the cause."

[Mary & Leandra Philip. Photos: Nelson Khonje]

**ADRA-UK TRANSFORMS 110,000 LIVES IN CHAD**

In the dry sub-Saharan desert of Chad, ADRA_UK is supporting a UNICEF project providing sustainable access to clean drinking water and sanitation facilities for 110,000 people in the Batha region. Bert Smit, (ADRA-UK CEO) visited the project with Frank Teeuwen, the ADRA Director United Nations Liaison Officer.

"One day we visited the village of Abdouback where a special festival took place to celebrate the fact that the village has received the status of a 'Zero Defection Village' in national recognition that all the households in the village now have a pit latrine", Bert reported. ADRA installed a well, provided health education and gave training in building the pit latrines. Attaining this status was a major event for them and the district prefect, Aroune Tchomtchom, and his entourage travelled to the village to celebrate the accomplishment.
They also visited other components of the project: a solar water installation for the clinic in the village of Ambassatna, a new VIP latrine for girls at a local school, a small drilling rig in action that ADRA Chad operates in the search for water. ADRA is drilling 70 new boreholes and refurbishing another 20.

Bert states, "We cannot help but be amazed how people are able to carve out a tiny existence in the desert here. The help that ADRA with support from UNICEF is bringing to the people here is life-changing."

Read about the rest of Bert's journey on the ADRA-UK blog.

[Bert Baker-Livingstone]

BAPTISM'S GALORE AND OTHER NEWS

You can't help but rejoice in a baptism. Three services reported on our website give you multiple reasons for rejoicing.

In Wakefield we report a triple whammy for rugby playing Eddisson who made a commitment to keep the Sabbath, then won the under-fifteens NatWest Schools Cup – and then made the decision to get baptised. Read his story along with 12-year-old Onanefee who finds the power of prayer stronger than his struggle with sickle-cell anaemia. Read more.

Manchester South reports on a baptism that also ends up in a miraculous reunion, while in Taunton, the small congregation jumps in size as five join the
Following the CREATION Health Day of Fellowship in Dublin, Gavin Anthony reports on subsequent training offered at the Irish Adventist Campsite, believing that the training will have a significant impact on Irish health. Read more.

If CREATION Health makes you want to walk, take a leaf out of John Wilby's book. At age 76 he has just completed a gruelling 96-mile hike along the West Highland Way, raising funds for Nepal. Read his account here.

This Sunday, 7 June, is National Cancer Survivors Day. Read some tips and good news from the BUC Health Ministries department.

5 JUNE MESSENGER ONLINE

With Adventists 'Reclaiming Hackney', Sharon Stevenson encouraging us to plan ahead in that "Sleeping, moving, being outdoors and eating well tend to happen more often if you plan for them to happen", and with Pastor Sam Gardner giving the breakdown on 'Hallelujah!', the 5 June Messenger, official journal of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the UK and Ireland is now online.

Also in this edition: Pam Davies shares nostalgia from Swansea, Adventists prepare to celebrate the legacy of Ellen White on the centenary of her death, and with FIFA scandals in the news, Julian Hibbert learns a tip or two from Abraham on due diligence.

THE CELTIC TRAIL PT2: 'THE JOURNEY' ON
Guest presenter, David Foster, shares his remarkable journey around the British Isles in search of Celtic Christianity in a two-part series of 'The Journey', the Adventist weekly presence on Revelation TV every Thursday night at 8:30 pm or Sunday lunchtime at 1:00 pm. Coming this week:

**Thursday 4 June 8:30 pm (repeated Sunday 7 June 1:00 pm).** Celtic Christianity part 2. Pastor David Foster continues his journey around some of the remoter parts of the British Isles, discovering Celtic lessons for his own life.

**Thursday 11 June 8:30 pm (repeated Sunday 14 June 1:00 pm).** Berlingas Island. Victor Hulbert takes a boat from Portugal’s west coast fishing village of Peniche to visit a bird sanctuary – and learn a few lessons on love.

All previous episodes of The Journey are available on the [www.hopetv.uk](http://www.hopetv.uk) website and on Roku.

[Victor Hulbert]

**COMING EVENTS** For a full listing of Coming Events please visit [http://adventist.org.uk/events](http://adventist.org.uk/events)

**Continuing to Sabbath 6 June:**

**Breath of Life 'Sweet Redemptive' Campaign.** Breath of Life Adventist church cordially invites you to the Sweet Redemptive Campaign with evangelist Pastor J Wilmoth James from the United States Virgin Islands. Check link for full details. Venue: St John’s Methodist Church, Price Street, Smethwick, West Midlands B66 3QR.

**Friday 5 - Sunday 7 June:**

**NEC/BUC Community Services Leadership Development Programme.** Join North American Division Community Services director, Dr Sung Kwon, as he shares his wealth of knowledge about developing and managing a viable Community Services outreach programme. Only £30, non-residential fee. For full details and to book a place, please [click here](http://adventist.org.uk/events). Venue: Manchester Central Seventh-day Adventist Church, Cross Lane, Denbigh Place, Pendleton, Greater Manchester M5 4AD.

**Sabbath 6 June:**

**Restoration and Beyond.** The Music department of Tottenham Seventh-day Adventist church
invites you to a day of worship, adoration and praise! Guest speaker: international singing evangelist Kimberly Bulgin, followed by an evening of celebration and uplifting testimonies. Venue: Tottenham Seventh-day Adventist Church, 253-255 West Green Road, Tottenham, London N15 5ED.

'Before I Do ' Singles Fellowship. Communication is key in any relationship. Don't miss out on the next singles fellowship. Time: 4:30 pm prompt. Venue: Blessed Hope SDA Church, Priory Hill, Dartford DA1 2ES.

An Evening at Calvary. An evening of praise and worship, reflecting on what Jesus did for us at Calvary. It will feature the Brixton Church Choir, Lois Moodie, Children's choir, Diadem and many more. Time: 17:30 - 19:30. Venue: Brixton SDA Church, Santley Street, London SW4 7QG.

Sunday 7 June:
SEC Child Protection Training. [Click here](#) to register online or contact Anna on 01923 232 728 or cm@secadventist.org.uk. [Click here](#) for more information about our child protection policy, including how to apply for a DBS (formerly CRB) check. Time: 10:00 - 16:00. Venue: The Advent Centre, 12 Crawford Place (off Edgware Road), London W1H 5HD.

Sunday 7 - Sabbath 13 June:
Hope for tomorrow – Reasons to believe. An evangelistic series hosted by Sebastian Matula, Theology student at Newbold College. Topics covered will include the following: The new world order; Saviour of Hope; Death; Christian faith; The coming crisis; Christ's return. Time: 18:30 - 20:00. Venue: Samuel Ward Academy, Chalkstone Way, Haverhill CB9 0LD.

Monday 8 June - Sunday 14 June:
NEC Camp Meeting. Strong Families – Strong Churches. This event is now fully booked. No tickets available.

Friday 12 - Sunday 14 June:
Scottish Women's Ministries Retreat. Spiritual wellness – God's plan for you. Speaker: Clair Schutte-Sanchez. Please email [office@adventist.scot](mailto:office@adventist.scot) for more information. Venue: Lendrick Muir, Rumbling Bridge, Kinross KY13 0QA.

Sunday 14 June:
Newbold Awards Ceremony. Newbold College of Higher Education 2015 Awards Ceremony will be held at 11:00 am in the Newbold Church Centre. For tickets please contact Debbie McReynolds, Office Manager, Office of the Principal, Tel: 01344 407 420 or email dmcreynolds@newbold.ac.uk. Venue: Newbold College, St Marks Road, Binfield, Berks RG42 4AN.

Monday 15 - Sunday 21 June:
SEC Camp Meeting 2015. 'Knowing God's Heart'. Check link for full details.

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SMALL ADS

GOT A SPARE LECTERN, either free-standing or tabletop? Would you be willing to gift it to a Southampton church plant? If you have a spare one and can help then please contact Pastor Douglas McCormac on 0754 865 1560 or email [dmccormac@secadventist.org.uk](mailto:dmccormac@secadventist.org.uk) and support these evangelism pioneers.
SUMMER OPPORTUNITY WITH ADRA-UK and their Volunteering and Marketing department. Closing date, 30 June. KEY STAGE 1 TEACHER, Stanborough Primary School, vacancy from September 2015. FULL-TIME NURSERY KEY WORKER vacancy from September 2015 at Newbold School. For details of these and other job vacancies visit the jobs page on the Adventist Church website.

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