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Happenings

April 19-25  Hell and Mr. Fudge - Maumee Indoor Theater, Maumee, OH (Toledo area)
April 20     Hell and Mr. Fudge - Seventh-day Adventist Church, Eureka, CA
May 3        Hell and Mr. Fudge - Simpsonwood Conference Center, Norcross, GA
May 4        Hell and Mr. Fudge - Central Adventist Church, Calgary, AB
May 19       Hell and Mr. Fudge - Chestnut Hill Adventist Church, Philadelphia, PA
Pat's Paragraphs

Dear Friends,

Things are hopping!

The Seventh Day videos

I just received this message:

"I did not want to be excited all by myself so I thought it would be good to have you come along and be excited too. I gave a friend some Spanish DVDs on the Sabbath (Un Sanctuario en el Tiempo). He in turn sent them to a friend he had met online in Monterrey, Mexico. She shared them with her sisters, who took them to their Baptist pastor, and insisted that he watch the DVDs. He currently has his church watching the DVDs on Saturday nights. This church has 500 members. WOW!!"

Add to the 18 languages into which "The Seventh Day" has been translated, one more: Italian! Right now in process! Would you add that to your prayer list?

Hell and Mr. Fudge

On Sunday, April 7, both Mackenzie Astin (our Edward Fudge) and I were interviewed about "Hell and Mr. Fudge" by Lori Ness, producer/host for NorthwestPrime, Seattle Wave Radio. Lori had Patty Duke on her show a few weeks earlier, and when Patty Duke mentioned "Hell and Mr. Fudge," starring her son Mackenzie, Lori was interested and tracked us down. The interview played live in Ireland that day, and was played in Seattle on Friday, April 12. Here's the link: http://www.blogtalkradio.com/northwestprime/2013/04/07/mackenzie-astin-star-of-hell-and-mr-fudge

The Yuba City (CA) Adventist Church sponsored a two-night run of the movie April 14 and 15. The audience totaled about 350, including many who were not associated with the church. The theater - part of the Cinemark chain - was expensive ($1,000 per night) but ticket sales surpassed the total rental fee. A post-screening survey was taken each night, and responses were overwhelmingly positive. Over fifty people requested followup material. The surveys also revealed the effectiveness of word-of-mouth advertising and the importance of church members bringing their friends to see the film.

Here are some recent comments from other locations:

The response was great. I really enjoyed the movie and had plenty of visitors from the community. (TX)

On Sunday we had 66 more people come out, a little over 50 of whom were not affiliated with our church... 35 surveys were filled out and a fair amount of literature was taken... 90% of the surveys were very positive. In a town of little over 10,000 we reached more than 1% of the population. (GA)
He [the theater manager] was very impressed with the mid-week turn out. Apparently there were more people in the "Hell & Mr Fudge" movie than in the rest of the theatre's other rooms combined. (Canada)

___ took her sister to see it who is a theology major.... She now really wants to get her hands on the book and check it out for herself. (Canada)

Thank you for your interest and support! And please continue to pray for the marketing of "Hell and Mr. Fudge." Pray for more and larger audiences; pray for more people to see a God of mercy and justice; pray for means to move forward, and wisdom as we learn the ropes of distribution.

In Christ,

Pat Arrabito

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Experts Speak

"For the Christian, the hope of immortality is bound up with the resurrection of Christ, who 'has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.' By his conquest of death Christ had made everything that was previously said on the subject inadequate, if not completely obsolete. Those who are united to him by faith not only look forward to their participation in the resurrection-harvest of which he is the firstfruits: here and now they share his risen life." F. F. Bruce in the Foreward of Death and the Soul by George Wisbrock.

Sabbath History

The monk was right.

As Reformation controversies raged across Europe the city of Geneva in southwestern Switzerland became one of the focal points. The Catholic party in the region needed a champion to stand like a rock against the rising tide of Protestantism. The man they had in mind was Guy Furbity. He willingly rose to the challenge.

Furbity was a Dominican monk, a doctor at the Sorbonne in Paris. In the eyes of the Catholics in Geneva, he was a "great theologian, an enthusiastic servant of the pope, a sworn enemy of the Reformation." A powerful preacher and a tireless campaigner for the Roman cause, it seemed for a while that he was succeeding in his attempts to reverse the progress of Protestantism in Geneva.

The Reformation leaders in Bern - about a hundred miles northeast of Geneva - decided that William Farel should go to Geneva, where he had previously been a key player in the reform movement. His mission now was to counter the work of Guy Furbity, defend Protestantism, and secure Geneva once and for all as a bulwark against the Roman religion.

It was inevitable that Farel and Furbity would go head to head at some point. It happened in late January and early February of 1534. Their disputation centered on the authority of...
scripture vs. the authority of the church.

Daniel Augsburger has studied the record of their debates. His report is published in the *Andrews University Seminary Studies.* He includes this argument from Guy Furbity:

"I am going to prove beyond question that St. Peter and the Church have the authority to make ordinances that must be held, although God did not command it, and that they [St. Peter and the Church] can change and transform the commandment of God.

"God ordered the Jews to keep Saturday as the Jews still do, "he went on, "but the church through the power given to her has changed Saturday into Sunday because of the resurrection of the Lord. And we celebrate Sunday because of a commandment and law of the church, not because of the commandment of God, because if you follow God's command literally you should rest on Saturday."

According to Augsburger, William Farel replied that "all days are equally sacred and that Christians sanctify them all...." Furbity pressed him again, saying that if it were sufficient to keep one day out of seven, then one could rest any day of the week, leading thus to a dreadful confusion. He reasserted that the text irrefutably commands to keep a specific day, Saturday, and that Sunday is kept on no other ground than the authority of the church.

Guy Furbity, the monk, was right.

*See [this link](http://example.com) for "Sunday in the Pre-Reformation Disputations in French Switzerland" by Daniel Augsburger in the *AUSS Journal Online Archive.*

(Additional sources for this article include *History of the Reformation in the Time of Calvin* by J. H. Merle d'Aubign'e.)

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**Hell and Mr. Fudge for Rent**

This award-winning film is now available on DVD for rent by churches, schools, and other organizations. Rental rates for churches are based on church membership. See list below. [Click here](http://example.com) to send a request for a rental agreement form, additional rates and other information. And let us know if you're interested in sponsoring the movie in a theater near you.

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