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Happenings

April 25 & 26  Hell and Mr. Fudge - Seventh-day Adventist Church, Piqua, OH
April 25  Hell and Mr. Fudge - Southwestern Community College, Creston, IA
April 26  Hell and Mr. Fudge - Mt. View Adventist College, Doonside, NSW (AU)
April 30  Hell and Mr. Fudge - Rockwood Adventist Church, Portland, OR
June 21 & 22  Hell and Mr. Fudge - Heritage Theatre, Gympie, QLD (AU)
Dear Friends,

Freshly returned from almost five weeks in Australia and New Zealand, touring with *Hell and Mr. Fudge* and speaking in churches, I can tell you that this world is ready for good news!

My trip, arranged by the Signs Publishing Company and M Sky Media took me from Melbourne to Brisbane, from Sydney to Perth, with stops in between at Avondale's Manifest Creative Arts Festival and Kingsliff's golden beaches. *Hell and Mr. Fudge* showed nine times in Australia to appreciative audiences that ranged in size from 25 to 450. I spoke on Sabbath history and shared my own journey five times in three churches. And every where I go, I find that my experiences of loss, suffering and hope touch a universal chord. We all suffer; we all need Jesus!

In New Zealand, *Hell and Mr. Fudge* screened in Hamilton, Christchurch, Palmerston North and Napier, with the final weekend in Auckland at the East Auckland SDA Church and with some of our friends from the Conditional Immortality Association of NZ at the Advent Christian Church. In addition, I was privileged to speak six times in three churches.

On the final night, an evangelical pastor spoke up after watching the film. He'd been questioning his beliefs about hell and eternal torment, finding it noteworthy that none of the Old Testament prophets resorted to fire and brimstone threatenings in their attempts to save wayward Israel from idolatry and exile. He told us that as he watched the film, he knew without doubt that Edward's findings were true.

Then he asked one of the most common questions: What about the story Jesus told, about the Rich Man and Lazarus? Doesn't that prove eternal torment? Another lady spoke up and asked the next most-common question: What does "forever" mean if not forever?

There are other questions raised by Edward's story, questions he answers in *The Fire That Consumes*. But not every question is answered in *Hell and Mr. Fudge*.

**THE DOCUMENTARY**

Friends, that's why we intend to produce an accompanying documentary, chock full of information and answers to questions, with interesting experts and scholars and personal testimonies.

I am convinced that NOW is time to finish that documentary! We've already filmed fascinating interviews with several highly respected scholars. Over $50,000 has already been invested in this project. It is time to finish it.

You know what impels us: The majority of Christians (and Muslims) believe that God torments the lost forever and ever and ever and ever...in a lake of fire. It's a lie. A horrible, devilish lie. It makes God look like Satan. And it leads to agnosticism and atheism.
We as Seventh-day Adventists know it's a lie; we've known it from the beginning of our church's history 150 years ago. But sadly, we have not made much of a dent in the beliefs other Christians.

But the subject of hell has come to the forefront. Now people are talking about it. Now people want to know. And other Christians are taking up the work. PLEASE FRIENDS, LET'S NOT BE THE TAIL!! LET'S BE THE HEAD!!

*Hell and Mr. Fudge* is being watched with interest and is causing a reaction. We need to be right there with the rest of the story, with every biblical passage presented and made clear. With a tracing of the historical process that brought the lies to our day. We need to answer every question from the Word of God!

We believe biblical truth is worthy of the highest quality, and our God is worthy of being portrayed with the best production value. Poor quality in information or production undermines the credibility of our message. We cannot afford to do that at this time in history. We are committed, by and for the Grace of God, to a quality of production worthy of our message.

It will cost. And we want your help. I've seen that God's people do not lack for means. We are well-taken care of. We are blessed with means.

Folks, Jesus will come soon and everything we've gathered and saved will be of no use then. Now is the time to use our means to hasten that day! Let's meet Jesus empty-handed but heart-filled, surrounded by those we bring with us.

Will you commit to this project, to the finishing of this documentary?

In Christ,

Pat Arrabito

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Now available for immediate download and viewing at [Vimeo On Demand](https://vimeo.com/brand/)!
Comments from viewers:

- *Hell and Mr. Fudge* movie is a must see! [It] will change your view on popular belief.

- Amazing! That solves so many problems created unnecessary [sic] by the eternal hell belief. I loved this movie. :)

- Amazing stuff. This film allows the Bible to reveal the truth of a loving God who longs for all to come to Him. Thank you Lord for your grace.

- Definitely worth recommending! And at just about $10, the price of a movie ticket, you can download (and keep!) a really great, thought Provoking film. I just pray that there are more films made which paint a clearer, more truer picture of God's character. With our financial help, there can be. Well done!

- Our God is a god of Love and not torment. The bible is clear on this issue for all willing to see it. Great movie and needs to be seen by all.

Click here to order *Hell and Mr. Fudge* on DVD for $19.95.

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"The Hell-hatch'd Doctrine"

It is a small book, easily overlooked among the thousands of volumes crammed into the stacks at the Graduate Theological Union library in Berkeley. Although it was published in 1968 as part of the *English Reprints* series, it is in new condition. The binding crackles when opened and the hundred or so pages are still stiff. Until now it has never left the library; no one has ever checked it out before.

The title is in large block letters and without punctuation: MANS MORTALITIE.

The author, Richard Overton, was a Bible student, political activist and pamphleteer in 17th-century England. He was a contemporary of John Milton, and the two men shared unpopular views of death and the nature of man. Neither one accepted the traditional doctrine of the immortal soul, and both believed that death is an unconscious state.

The original cover page included this lengthy subtitle:

"A TREATISE Wherein 'tis proved, both Theologically and Philosophically, that whole
Man (as a rational Creature) is a Compound wholly mortall, contrary to that common distinction of Soule and Body; And that the present going of the Soule into Heaven or Hell is a meer Fiction: And that at the Resurrection is the beginning of our immortality, and then Actual Condemnation, and Salvation, and not before.

"With all doubts and Objections Answered, and resolved, both by Scripture and Reason; discovering the multitude of Blasphemies, and Absurdities that arise from the fancie of the Soule."

Inside is a page of poetry that sets the tone for the rest of the book. The first line reads like this: "The Hell-hatch'd Doctrine of th'immortall Soule."

The original edition of MANS MORTALITIE was published in Holland in 1643. It quickly found its way to England where the House of Commons tried to suppress it. Overton himself was arrested and held for over a year in Newgate prison. A few years later he was again incarcerated, this time in the Tower of London.

Overton eventually faded off the scene of action, leaving behind the evidence of a man who was wholly convinced of the authority of scripture over the traditions of men. As a historical figure he stands tall among those who have opposed "the hell-hatch'd doctrine" of the immortal soul.

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