Waka Waka
Based on a news release from ADRA-UK

In the developing world many people live with a perpetual energy crisis. They reside in areas where electricity is scarce, intermittent or unavailable; where traditional renewable energy sources like firewood are under threat; and where they have no option but to use paraffin (kerosene) powered illumination.

This dependence on such highly flammable fluids for household lighting in poor urban and rural communities may be traditional, but it is also costly and dangerous.

The danger of fire
Firstly, there is the obvious danger of fire, which often spreads very rapidly in slum areas where dwellings are close together and made of highly combustible materials. According to a recent ADRA press release ‘6 million are burned every year because of kerosene accidents.’

Paraffin poisoning
Secondly, there is the problem of paraffin poisoning. According to the World Health Organisation:

‘Young children are at greatest risk of paraffin poisoning. Because paraffin has the consistency and appearance of water and in some places is stored in reused beverage containers without child-resistant caps, unsupervised children are at high risk of consuming it.’

Restricted learning
A third problem associated with the use of paraffin is the restriction it places on learning. For example, research by the World Bank in Southern Sudan indicates that a move from paraffin to solar-powered LED lighting had a direct influence on the student pass rate: ‘With kerosene lamps this was a mere 57%. Two years after introduction of the solar lamps the pass rate reached 100%.’

In India studies have shown ‘that children who were able to use portable solar lamps studied 2.7 hours per evening instead of 1.5 hours. Here, too, there was an immediate positive effect on school results.’

The ongoing cost
Paraffin can cost up to 20% of a struggling family’s monthly budget, a figure that can be reduced drastically by an innovation called the Waka Waka solar lamp (Wakawaka means ‘shine bright’ in Swahili). This device has been engineered specifically for conditions in the developing world, and it uses the very latest technology to provide 8 hours of bright ambient light and up to 80 hours of night-safety illumination – all on a one-day solar charge.

ADRA
ADRA-UK has recognised the value of these lamps and, thanks to a generous donor, will be distributing them to twenty-four disadvantaged ‘off-grid’ families with children in Burkina Faso. This is a pilot project, and if it is successful they want to roll it out on a much larger scale.

If you would like to bring light to an ‘off-grid’ family then let ADRA help you achieve this. For just £20 you can donate a Waka Waka solar lamp that will reduce their living costs; decrease their risk of fire and pediatric poisoning; and help their children extend their hours of study.

Check the ADRA-UK website to donate: www.adra.org.uk.
The problem with pain
What do you do when you are in constant pain, waiting for a hospital referral to investigate the cause of the discomfort, but the appointment is several months away? Most people go to their GP who usually pops them on pain-relief medication. If the pain is severe they may be prescribed a variety of medications. In fact, one bewildered patient recently complained to me about the three different types of pain medication stated on her prescription. It is not uncommon to find a chronic pain sufferer on more than one analgesic, plus anti-inflammatory tablets and nerve blockers, in an attempt to bring some pain relief.

However, the long-term impact of a cocktail of drugs, or even a single medication prescribed to manage pain, has come under scrutiny. An online article posted on 19 September 2012 in HuffPost Lifestyle carried the caption: ‘Painkiller ‘The Cause’ of Headaches. NICE Warnings’. Raising concerns from the health watchdog, the article highlights how common painkillers could be causing people to have headaches. It states: ‘People who regularly take medicines such as aspirin, paracetamol and triptans could be causing themselves more pain than relief, the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) said.’

A spokesman added that medication ‘overuse’ was a likely contributor to the headaches people experienced, especially if they had been taking medications such as described above for up to 15 days a month over a period of 3 months. NICE estimates that one in forty people suffering from headaches experience this discomfort due to medication overuse.

However, while clarifying the efficacy of pain medication in the short term and for specific maladies, NICE indicated that common over-the-counter treatments are indeed effective for easing the pain of occasional headaches. However, the use of these same medications for tension-type or migraine headaches was found to actually reduce their level of effectiveness, and in fact cause further pain. Subsequently, NICE has now issued new guidelines to health professionals alerting them to the fact that different headaches require different treatments, so a correct diagnosis is crucial.

According to NICE, more than 10 million people in the UK experience regular or frequent headaches. This accounts for one in twenty-five GP consultations.

With long NHS waiting lists for hospital referrals and concerns about the side effects of long-term pain medicine, people are turning to other measures to try and manage their pain. In the next issue we explore some natural, evidence-based remedies for pain relief.

Good health!
Loyalty is universally considered to be a virtue, but in his book “A universal virtue?” Roman crucifixion could not break His resolve. As forsaken by His friends and loyal to His Father when He face of derision and scorn. He as a man, then you will realise that I nothing on my own authority but never left me alone for I always do alw ays those things that please My Father” (KJV). Today we see how certain church leaders have covered up their priests. Loyalty to the Church loyalty to their leaders. Today we see how certain church leaders have covered up their priests. Loyalty to the Church today is not without significance, therefore, that the man-about-town or ethnic group? The last words of the Old Testament paint a brilliant picture of God’s plan for the family, and also a warning: “And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children, to have clothed the children to their fathers. Last I come and strike the earth with a curse” (Malachi 4:6, NKJV). The New Testament is written in verse 5 as “Elijah the prophet”, a preacher whose coming was still in the future in Malachi’s time, when Jesus identified Himself as Elijah (Malachi 3:1-4). – which suggests that John the Baptist’s teachings helped to reconcile family members previously divided. This fits in perfectly with his altruistic, other-centred teachings recorded in the Gospels – to give others, not to take more than you need, and to be content with what you have (Luke 1:10-14). More specific teachings on family unity may have been included among the many “other exhortations” not listed in the Gospels (Luke 1:10-14). The “of Malachi 4:6, the other hand, seems to be the LORD of hosts” (Malachi 4:1, 3, NKJV), whose “winnowing fan is in His hand” according to John the Baptist (Luke 3:17, NKJV). This of course was Jesus the Messiah; and, refused to be reconciled to each other. It seems uncharacteristic, then, to hear Jesus saying, “It anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple” (Luke 14:26, NKJV). He told His followers in Luke 12:49-53 that He came not to bring peace, but division in families – and, that we are to be getting on with it! What’s going on here? Is there a contradiction? It might seem that way at first, but Matthew gives us a little more context for these words, recording the incident: “He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me” (Matthew 10:37). Jesus had just been describing the way in which His teachings on love, unity, and forgiveness of sins would not be accepted by everyone in every family. Many deserted family members would betray their believing loved ones to the authorities (Matthew 10:16-22). In this situation, it was vital that the persecuted Christian family “live in peace,” in spite of outside persecution (Matthew 10:25-30). It could even be that God’s message to Malachi that families be united was necessary to limit the extent of the division and persuade that Christ’s love and teachings would provide. In reality, Jesus wished – and still wishes – for all His followers throughout time to be united and harmonious, to be one (Luke 9:43-45, John 17:20-23). He wishes those who are not yet in the sheepfold of believers to be united with them (John 10:16), and commands His followers to bring them in (Matthew 28:18-20). But when this message of love and unity meets, inevitably, with resistance, even violence (John 15:16-18), then it is to be answered with kindness and peace (Matthew 5:43-48). Shattered houses may fall, and two may not walk together unless they are agreed (Amos 3:3; Luke 11:17, 18), but the response of the Christian must be to honour his father and mother (Deuteronomy 5:16), but also to acknowledge that God’s sovereignty is higher than theirs, and not to be afraid (Luke 12:18-12). In the crucifix, we must choose Christ. • What does Paul say about unity in the Church? (1 Corinthians 3) • Did Paul ever have arguments with believers? (Acts 15) • What divisive topics should we stay away from? (1 Timothy 1) • In which passage does Christ command us to be reconciled before coming to worship? • Did Jesus “family always accept His ministry”?
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A classic example of this is the Church of Rome. According to the Vatican yearbook, the Pope has eight titles: Bishop of Rome, Vicar of Jesus Christ, Successor of the Prince of the Apostles, Supreme Pontiff (Papalis Maximus) of the Universal Church, Primate of Italy, Archbishop and Supreme Head of the Roman Province, Sovereign of the State of the Vatican City, Servant of the Servants of God. 

Diakonos

In stark contrast to all of that is the apostle Paul’s favourite title, “servant of Christ, called to be an apostle” (Romans 1:1, NIV).

“Servant” (diakonos) is a key word in the New Testament and itails down our calling and status as Christians. In fact, it is one of the biblical titles that we take our roles and callings as servants, even if we are not a Pope. Its unique character is also present in the Greek concordance of the King James Bible where “servant” is a feminine noun. 

Diakonos occurs 31 times in 29 verses in the Greek concordance of the King James Version. It means someone who executes the commands of an apostle as if they were his own – someone who is a servant or attendant.

In our church usage, a deacon or deaconess is set apart by the laying on of hands and carries out a number of duties listed in our Church Manual (2010 edition, pp. 76–79). 

In Acts 6 we read that seven men were set apart by the laying on of hands. Their most important qualifications were that they were filled with the Holy Spirit and had a good reputation within the church community. They were highly spiritual, and two of them, Stephen and Philip, went on to do amazing things.

In Acts 7 we read of Stephen’s first and last sermon. He didn’t mince his words. He was a consummate tactician, persuader, orator, and political master. He even mentioned a great crowd, who instead of saying a loud “Amen!” at the end of his powerful sermon, took him outside the city and stoned him to death.

One sermon and you are dead! Stephen’s servanthood ceased abruptly, but his reward will never end.

His brief stint as a preacher shaped the ministry of the apostle Paul. Let’s never underestimate the impact a Spirit-filled servant of the Lord – you, a church member, a deacon turned evangelist – can make.

In Acts 8 we learn of Philip, who travelled up to Samaria and gathered at least one church there. He was such a faithful servant of the Lord Jesus that God chose him to convert and baptize an important Egyptian official. An ‘ordinary’ church member – a deacon turned evangelist and soul winner – who baptizes. And there are many scholars who believe this Egyptian may have influenced the spread of Christianity in Africa.

Servanthood is what the Church is all about. It provides its vitality and fuels its growth. It is the modus operandi of our mission to the world. How beautifully this is illustrated and evidenced in the lives of New Testament deacons and deaconesses, the servants of Jesus Christ.

Servanthood as exemplified by Paul, and by Jesus Himself when He knelt down and washed His disciples’ feet, is what makes the Church of the living God the uniquely effective and vibrant Body of Christ. 

When I went to San Francisco Theological Seminary in California to study for my D.Min, it took me a little while to get used to the seminary’s culture. It was a place where they lived out Paul’s words in a very practical way. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus’ (Galatians 3:28, NASB).

We were all on a first-name basis – president, professors, office staff and students. Men and women pastors and lecturers functioned as equals, serving one another. Quite a few of them were ministers at scholars and theologians in their own right – people who had authored textbooks, contributed to encyclopedias, and earned doctorates from prestigious universities such as Harvard and Oxford.

Where such a simple but beautiful spirit of equality prevails, the spirit of servanthood too.

Whenever I have served my Church in different parts of the world, in various capacities, I have consistently asked to be called by my first name. At times when I was introduced as, ‘Pastor, Doctor, President’, I would correct the words of introduction, then state that I prefer to be addressed by my first name only.

When nominating time comes around and the Church elects its ‘officers’, at any level of church organisation, we would do well to remember that what we offer the church office, with its respective titles, is actually a ministry gifted to us by the Holy Spirit, and recognized and acknowledged by the Church. More importantly, no ministry is higher or more prestigious than another. At the foot of the cross, where we all take our place, we are mere mantles of servant leadership, the ground is level.

The General Conference presidency is not more important in God’s eyes than the servanthood of the little ones who visit her neighbours once a week to give her a Bible study, or a loaf of bread, and yet to show God’s love in time of need.

If we fully embrace the biblical title of ‘servants’ as Jesus and Paul, at least three things will happen: we will diminish the politics and power struggles in our midst; we will re-engage prayerfully support those who are called to be servant leaders in any capacity, whether paid or unpaid; and we will make an impact on our world, as did our ‘servants’ – Stephen, Philip, Paul, and others.

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Special Needs Camp

A report based on material supplied by Joy Bussey, who has enjoyed a long and close association with this special ministry

"The test of the morality of a society is what it does for its children. These are the words of the Christian martyr: Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and they are true for every community, society and civilization.

The way we treat our children – the way we provide for their varied needs – measures the quality of our collective social conscience.

Yes, Jesus got it right when He called the children to Him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18:16, NIV.) Those words were a finger in the face of the adult-centred world of His day, including the likes of His burly disciples.

And when you combine His concern for children and His exhortation to help the disabled of His day, you just know that Jesus would have supported projects like the Annual Special Needs Camp – a camp that exists to provide a safe, caring, fun-loving holiday in a Christian environment for people with special needs, while giving respite to their carers.

History of the project

The Special Needs Camp was started under the guidance of Pastor Martin Anthony in 1978, with just six campers, four of whom still attend. Pastor Martin reckons that it was the best thing he has ever done.

The camp has been held annually at the Church’s Aberdaron site in Wales, except for one year when an outbreak of foot and mouth disease closed down everywhere in the area.

Things have changed

Over the years the attendance has grown to around twenty special needs campers per annum, and the age limit of 30 has been raised because of the ongoing needs of some of the campers.

The camp now admits campers who are not directly connected to the Adventist Church, but during their assessment visits those campers and their families are told about the principles by which the camps are run – including the daily worship sessions and the veggie food served in the kitchen.

Joy Bussey faithfully keeps contact with the campers and their families, even after they no longer attend or have passed away. Interestingly, she finds that some families notice a positive difference in their child’s health because of the dietary changes and then introduce some of them at home.

The project also uses some non-member staff these days, and they are also required to adhere to Adventist principles during the camp and participate in the worship sessions.

Camper individually

The individuality of each camper is respected, and although there are a few fixed activities, campers can choose to do something different with staff assistance, as long as it falls within our Sunday Adventist guidelines for the camp. (There are definitely no pub visits!)

The staff members try to harness the campers’ individual abilities, expecting them to do as much as they can themselves, even if it is in a slightly different or unconventional way.

Help is appreciated

Through the years many businesses, churches and individuals have contributed tangibly to the development of the camp, helping to make the venue more suitable for those with severe disabilities.

There is one church that has gone the proverbial second and third mile in support of the camp. Among other things, the Erdington congregation’s generous gifts have bought two bouncy castles and sponsored numerous campers who would otherwise not have been able to attend an SNC.

It is a ministry

Special Needs Camp will always be a ministry – a way of letting the love of Jesus touch the lives of the disabled who attend. That ‘touch’, best as it is for many campers, can and does change lives.

Joy remembers two young non-Adventist ladies who were sponsored to attend the camp by one of our churches. They both had life-limiting health conditions and were wheelchair-bound. This took place before we really had things designed and equipped for such people, but despite this inconvenience, they seemed to enjoy the camp experience.

A few weeks after the camp I received a beautiful bouquet of flowers and a letter; the sender appreciated one of them, thanking me for showing her Jesus and helping her team how to talk to Him. She said that she felt more comfortable with Jesus every day, and that He had made a difference in her life. She died a few months later.

The camps not only change campers – they also influence the interns spiritually. Recently Joy heard that one of them from her own church had requested baptism and was considering a career in ministry. According to the young man, it was working at the camp that had led to his decision.

If you are looking for a life-changing SNC adventure, why not get in touch with Joy Bussey? If you would like to help someone else – someone with special needs – enjoy the ‘touch’ of Christ’s love, Joy would love to hear from you. If you think you could do something tangible to improve the facilities at Aberdaron, Joy is ready to steer your resources in the right direction.

For any of the above, contact her at: j.bussey@ntlworld.com

Kristina Gilbert’s testimony... (IO 13:1055; OOT 19:568)

I always had an interest in the caring professions but was unsure of how to develop into a career. I started attending Special Needs Camp at age 15, where I was given lots of different experiences with different campers, both as a day carer and as a night carer. I was able to enjoy the job and learn as much as I could about client-centred care and other key aspects of the carer’s role. From this I could explore different career options such as LD (Learning Disability nursing) and OT (Occupational Therapy). I decided to train as an OT and soon found I was one step ahead of others on the course, having some real-life experiences behind me. It also benefited me greatly from having someone to write a reference about the skills I had developed and how I could use them practically. I qualified several years ago, and, although I work with a different client group now, I will always be thankful to SNC and the influence it has had on my life and career. This is why I make sure I have annual leave to attend every year still!”
Croscombe health expo

Croscombe members, who have been sharing their faith with their neighbours in the village, in Shepton Mallet and in Wells, hired a large tent at the Mid-Somerset Show in Shepton Mallet for free health checks.

On Sunday, 18 August, in an expo conceived by Martin Pugh and supported by Pastor Vince Dranca, members set up tables and equipment, surrounding a table with much Adventist literature to be offered free of charge to the attendees. Elise Staple and two helpers travelled from London to give expert guidance and help – which was needed, as this was Croscombe’s first attempt at this ministry! They also had help from members from Bristol and Bath.

In the feedback forms, 70% rated the event as ‘Excellent’ and another 20% rated it as ‘Good’.

Each attendee was given a flyer with the location of the Croscombe church, and a brief summary of our basic beliefs, with special emphasis on our desire to bring better health to our neighbours. One attendee wrote that she ‘also keep[s] the Sabbath, as it is one of the ten commandments’.

‘All in Favour’ of the Days of Fellowship

On 4 and 11 August, the SEC assembled great speakers, artists and contributors at London venue the ‘Troxy’ for their SEC Days of Fellowship, including an evening concert from the Heritage Singers and Larnelle Harris.

Organiser and SEC Music director, commented, ‘It’s been a very long time since a concert of this calibre has been featured in London...’

Young people crowded the stage as he called for recommitment to God. ‘The young people rose to the occasion,’ said Steve Thomas, organiser and SEC Youth director. Denzil Fourie was the speaker for day two.

Abdalla Makalla, an Adventist physiotherapist for the Tanzanian Olympic team, gave a presentation for the second Day of Fellowship, saying, ‘I was looking for a church in which to worship and I met someone trading pins who told me about today’s worship; all is God’s plan.’

Health message comes to town

The Romford Seventh-day Adventist church heard the health message recently from Karen Jordan-Nicholls, who works alongside Holistic Emotional Education (HEE), a charity whose mission is to spread God’s Gospel in health by providing information that promotes mental, spiritual and physical health and well-being. This programme allows participants to identify eleven lifestyle goals, one of which is covered each evening to get an in-depth level of understanding. Karen’s fun, light-hearted, focused approach touched many in her very first campaign. The family-based discussions were both inclusive and practical. Holistic Emotional Education has worked with several organisations; their primary focus, however, is to promote the health message across the Adventist family in the UK. Would you like to know more? (Email: info@emotionaled.com)

EYES OF THE NATION

Successful summer school at Plaistow Church

Plaistow Church has conducted another oversubscribed summer school for 6-14-year-olds for the third year running. Forty-seven children, the overwhelming majority of whom were from the local community, attended the two-week event from 23 July to 2 August.

Lessons in maths, English and science were led by twelve competent volunteers comprising qualified teachers, professionals and higher education students.

The scheme was wholly sponsored by the local church and free at the point of delivery. Participants were supplied with exercise books, pens, pencils and other basic learning equipment. Healthy light refreshments were also provided at lunchtimes.

Plaistow Summer School is putting the church on the local map and developing friendship between church members and members of the local community. One Muslim parent who enrolled her two children also volunteered to assist in supervision, and intends to help in future activities.

Oliver, one of the participants, commented: ‘I will dearly miss summer school: everything was fun!’ Brijesh, a parent, remarked: ‘This is a great initiative. You don’t need to advertise next time. We are going to tell our friends and neighbours about your guys – but please, extend it to three weeks for us!’

We thank God for the success achieved, and we pray for His continued guidance in the future.

E. AND ANNE

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Loughborough Adventists outnumbered two to one

Usually we prefer not to be in the minority, but on Sabbath 11 August Loughborough rejoiced as the thirty-five in usual attendance were joined by about sixty-five people from the local community: many of whom had never been to a church service before!

The special service marked the end of Loughborough’s Holiday Bible Club, which was attended by fifty-two children this year. Visitors enjoyed watching their children act out Bible stories and sing some of the songs they had learnt during the week, then stayed to share lunch afterwards.

Five-year-old Robert went home and told his parents very excitedly, “Did you know Jesus loves me all the time, Mummy, even if I’m naughty?” Olivia (5) was pleased to learn that Jesus would always help her and that she could tell Him about anything that was bothering her.

Kyle, aged 11, was due to come, but was in hospital following a nasty accident. Five-year-old Travis, despite not knowing Kyle, was so touched by Loughborough members’ prayers that he gave the craft item he had made that morning for Kyle to help him feel better.

Many prayers were written by children from a non-Christian background, showing that Jesus has become real and approachable to them.

The indigenous white people around Loughborough are very open to any form of evangelism involving children. The church’s club is running to capacity for the space available this year, and the positive response from families is overwhelming. Many of the families ask Loughborough’s members to pray for them at times of need.

If you want to reach out to your local community, why not plan something for children? You might be surprised at the results!

Tract distribution by Manchester Southern Asia

Every Sabbath, after praise and worship at the church, members of Manchester Southern Asia – both grown-ups and young – participate in outreach by way of tract distribution, covering around 250-300 doors. A special mention goes to the young church members, who are very active. They’re always willing to participate in tract distribution, giving inspiration to the adults!

Tamworth ordination

On Sabbath 19 May at Tamworth Church, family, friends and members witnessed the ordination of Brother Steve McIntyre and Brother Ricky Lawrence as deacons. Pastor Milan Gugleta led out in this special ordination service. May God bless Steve, Ricky and their families as they serve Tamworth Church.
Health expo at Fartown
On 7 May, Fartown members held a health expo right in the heart of the community. The doors opened at 10am and closed well after closing hours, as the response from the community was immense. "It was inspiring to see how well people stand for the health-conscious, and three volunteers wereGCCD
Fartown COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

health expo? I wish we could have continued it for a month. Another said this was the third expo she had attended in Fartown with her children. "When will you have another Middle East, the Vatican and in prophecy.
Church members said, ‘The Holy Spirit really moved,’ ‘All of us in the family plan to tell our friends what we saw’, Dr Brighton Kavaloh (BUCC) had an intriguing insight into the Sunday Law and European law.

Sat 27 October, 7pm
(door opened at 6.30)
More details.

UK Zachary Adenikins Fellowship
You are invited to join A DAY OF FELLOWSHIP
June 20th, 2012
From 9.30 to 18.00
THEME: WHERE THEY MAY BE ONE

Congratulations to Nora Mylne on her 89th birthday on 14 July. She started her working life in 1932 and worked in various roles, including as a receptionist, a nurse at Ninhills Hospital, and a receptionist in the local hospital. She has spent the last four decades in nursing, and is currently a nurse at the local hospital. She is also a member of the local community, and is known for her dedication to her work and her community. She is married to Mr. John Mylne, and they have been together for over 60 years. They have two children, and their children are also members of the local community. Ms. Mylne is a member of the local church, and is known for her faith and her commitment to her faith. She is also a member of various clubs and organizations in the local community, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. Ms. Mylne is a very kind and generous person, and is known for her willingness to help others. She is a very popular person in the local community, and is well respected for her work and her dedication to her community. She is also a member of the local council, and is known for her active participation in the council. She is also a member of various committees and organizations in the council, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. Ms. Mylne is a very respected and well-known person in the local community, and is known for her active participation in her community and her dedication to her community. She is also a member of various clubs and organizations in the local community, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. She is also a member of the local council, and is known for her active participation in the council. She is also a member of various committees and organizations in the council, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. Ms. Mylne is a very respected and well-known person in the local community, and is known for her active participation in her community and her dedication to her community. She is also a member of various clubs and organizations in the local community, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. She is also a member of the local council, and is known for her active participation in the council. She is also a member of various committees and organizations in the council, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. Ms. Mylne is a very respected and well-known person in the local community, and is known for her active participation in her community and her dedication to her community. She is also a member of various clubs and organizations in the local community, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. She is also a member of the local council, and is known for her active participation in the council. She is also a member of various committees and organizations in the council, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. Ms. Mylne is a very respected and well-known person in the local community, and is known for her active participation in her community and her dedication to her community. She is also a member of various clubs and organizations in the local community, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. She is also a member of the local council, and is known for her active participation in the council. She is also a member of various committees and organizations in the council, and is known for her active participation in these organizations. Ms. Mylne is a very respected and well-known person in the local community, and is known for her active participation in her community and her dedication to her community.
During the weekend of 7 to 9 September, Brecon Camp visitors came to hear astronomer-turned-pastor Dr Mart de Groot speak, by the gentle waters of the river Usk, on astronomy and the great controversy.

‘We live in a restless universe,’ he said, in the middle of which God gave us a simple guide for obtaining rest: the Sabbath. As the stars came out on Friday night, the Brecon campers experienced that rest for themselves.

During the children’s story on Sabbath, Dr de Groot talked about how coins are made: hot metal has to be stretched, rolled, and reheated before the image of the Queen can be imprinted on its surface. So it is with us: trials may seem hard to understand, but all are part of the process God uses to change us into His likeness.

More mind-boggling astronomical images got the congregation thinking on Sabbath evening, with colliding galaxies illustrating the interstellar conflict between God and Satan. The biblical concept of the Fall does make some sense of the decay, death and destruction that we see around us.

In the final meeting on Sunday morning, Dr de Groot pointed out that our universe is a very wet place: water actually being one of the most common molecules in the universe. This led into a detailed discussion of the Flood.

Not surprisingly, over the weekend there were numerous questions from the campers. Dr de Groot, though, said that in the end it’s the big picture that counts: are we willing to see the image of God in the universe and allow Him to impress that image on us?

More pictures can be seen on the Welsh Mission website at: www.adventistwales.org.