



# PASTORAL NEWSLETTER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE



## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

DR. EMMANUEL OSEI

Brothers and sisters,

I greet you in the name of our Lord.

I was thrilled to read about God's blessing among the Romanian Churches. Last Sabbath, Pastors Bogdan Dumitru and Gabriel Ciocarlan baptised 13 candidates at the Stanborough Park Church. Two others were baptised the Sabbath before and another two will be baptised shortly, making a total of 17. All these precious souls came to faith as a result of Bible study on the zoom platform. To God be the glory!

Friends as we continue with our theme **Making Disciples and Building Communities**, let us never undervalue the power of the Discovery Bible Studies. This is a powerful tool where the Holy Spirit works on the hearts of individuals bringing conviction and leading them to give their lives to Jesus.

Another church that has been very successful with Bible Studies is the Portsmouth Church. They have likewise had several baptisms during the pandemic. I was very impressed when their minister, Pastor Elliott Williams shared with me an exercise carried out by their church Board called **Portsmouth SDA Church Emergency Protocol**.

We were all taken by surprise by the recent corona virus pandemic. What have we learned as a result of the past 2 years? What things can we put in place in preparation should we experience another pandemic? As Adventists, we have read about the final crisis and the need to prepare for it. However, have we as local congregations sat and discussed what we will do? And how we will go about making those preparations?

This congregation have come up with some practical suggestions of what can be done to prepare for another pandemic and the final crisis. I asked Pastor Williams for permission to share this with the larger conference family which he agreed. Pastors, you may also choose to do a similar exercise for your local congregation.

### Portsmouth SDA Church Emergency Protocol

Considering what we have learnt from the current Coronavirus pandemic, it would be unwise to be caught off guard again by making little to no preparation for national/global crisis.

We need a warning system to alert members to the degree of threat we face:

Traffic light system

**Green:** Safe

**Amber:** Start preparing

**Red:** Implement action plan

1. Pandemics

Coronavirus will not be the last pandemic in our lifetime. Scientists warn the threat posed by zoonoses – infectious diseases that jump from animals to humans – is on the rise. And the risk of a new pandemic is higher now than ever before.

<https://ec.europa.eu/research-and-innovation/en/horizon-magazine/qa-future-pandemics-are-inevitable-we-can-reduce-risk>

#### Action Plan

- The church board should carry out a risk assessment to ensure that they are providing as safe an environment as possible for our members and end-users to worship in and use. It is important that the risk assessment is continually reviewed by the church board and currently this should be done at least quarterly.
- If it is unsafe to meet at Church then meetings should be held virtually.
- All members should be regularly reminded what the symptoms of Covid-19 or the prevailing pandemic are and reminded to remain at home and join the service virtually.
- Facemasks and any recommended protective equipment should be worn by everyone except those who are exempt under the previous or prevailing guidelines.
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YOUTH

Facilities for hand sanitising should be readily available at all our services and programmes

- Where possible venues should be well ventilated during use, following prevailing safety rules and regulations
- PPE should still be provided for all volunteers
- 'Zoning' spaces to be considered if the building is big enough, to allow those who wish to continue to socially distance to do so.

In doing this it will be important to consider how people enter and leave the building, as well as ensuring that different areas of the building have equal access to the service or events they are attending, and especially that people are not disadvantaged by their desire to continue to show caution.

- Providing those wishing to maintain social distance with cards to put next to them when sat down, asking people to leave the seats next to them free.

**Amber:** Start preparing Alert our members to stock up with household goods/ toiletries and other essentials relevant to each family situation. Dry food – cans, rice, etc Medical supplies, masks etc Check on our vulnerable who may need help or advice with stocking up. Our members are encouraged to buy as many of these items as quickly as possible and to advise others where to find stocks in case of shortages:

- Water filters
- Canned foods (stews, fruit, tuna, beans, meats, etc)
- Ready-to-eat foods (granola, cheese, protein bars, etc)
- Medical kits
- Peanut butter
- Assorted drink mixes, (if you have children with you)
- Multi-vitamins
- Iodine solution, hydrogen peroxide, painkillers
- Dried milk
- Largest bags of rice, beans, flour, oats, sugar and honey
- Gallons of cooking oil
- Baking powder & baking soda & spice assortment pack
- A manual can opener
- Kitchen matches and disposable lighters
- Sanitary napkins and diapers, if needed
- Flashlights (ideally LED) and portable radios, if you don't already have them
- Plenty more batteries, at least three sets, for each of the above
- Bottled water (especially if home supplies not secured yet)
- Baby wipes
- (Please note this is not an exhaustive list)

**Red:** Implement the Action Plan

-Stay informed

-Have faith In God: Do our best and the Lord will do the rest

#### STANBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL 2 YEAR PROVISION

- Free funded places available
- Morning, afternoon and all day sessions available
- Admission all year round
- Waiting list now open

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TODAY

[INFO@STANBOROUGHPRIMARY.ORG.UK](mailto:INFO@STANBOROUGHPRIMARY.ORG.UK)  
01923 673291

#### HAY'S WOOD RETREAT CENTRE

To book call: 01553 606000 - see flyer for more information

Email: [bookings@hayswoodretreat.com](mailto:bookings@hayswoodretreat.com)

Hay's Wood Retreat and Conference Centre

Setch Road, PE32 1XU, Kings Lynn

SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE

CAMP MEETING 2022 -HAY'S WOOD RETREAT

-flyers attached

#### SEC CAMP MEETING

MONDAY 30 MAY - SUNDAY 5 JUNE

Let's Cross Over

Main Speaker: @TY GIBSON

How can I register?

<https://bit.ly/iwanttocrossover>

To stay updated, follow the SEC's new

Instagram account here @sec.adventist

#### SEC CHILDRENS MINISTRIES -JERUSALEM MARKETPLACE

KIDS PLANET CAMP MEETING DAILY

PROGRAMME

30 MAY - 4 JUNE See poster for details

#### EC CHILDRENS MINISTRIES - JERUSALEM MARKETPLACE

CAMP MEETING T-SHIRTS NOW ON SALE

Adults & Children Order now supplies running

low - Deadline for orders 27 May... See poster for details

#### CAMP MEETING - 30 MAY - 5 JUNE TEENS & PATHFINDERS SERVICES

Join us on FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE

[www.secteens.org](http://www.secteens.org)

[teens@secadventist.org.uk](mailto:teens@secadventist.org.uk)

#### MONDAY MORNING MANNA:

16 May

Please be encouraged by these short devotional messages and feel free to share:

[https://youtube.com/playlist?](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCJwMkH9QCA8X17KpdjSLBJ0MHnjzQFnG)

[list=PLCJwMkH9QCA8X17KpdjSLBJ0MHnjzQFnG](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCJwMkH9QCA8X17KpdjSLBJ0MHnjzQFnG)

ZOOM: 883 1332 7416

Passcode: 789015

#### CROYDON SDA CHURCH

Walking & Cycling Club

Join us one Sunday each month from 8am All are

welcome Register for free to attend

[www.croydonadventist.org/events](http://www.croydonadventist.org/events)

#### WOOD GREEN & HACKNEY CHURCHES EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN

23 APRIL - 25 JUNE

Every Saturday, Wednesday & Friday

Zoom: 88026114321

Password: 149384

For more information see attached poster

#### BUC Core of Adventism 2022

The members Core of Adventism is May 7th - 14th and all BUC members are invited.

The programme will be streamed live from Holloway church but will be on Zoom, Facebook and YouTube. Please share with all churches and your members accordingly this will be a blessed event to rekindle and remember why we are Seventh Day Adventist.

7-14 MAY -7-9pm nightly

11am & 4:30pm SABBAYHS

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME 7-7:30pm nightly

SEE ATTACHED FLYER & VIDEO

#### HOLLOWAY SDA CHURCH

International Day of Praise - Sat 16th July 2022.

Celebrating our diversity through praise and worship from around the world. Come in your traditional attire. If you would like to perform or take part, contact Emeka at

[communications@myholloway.org](mailto:communications@myholloway.org)

See poster for details

#### MEN'S MINISTRY

EVERY MONDAY - 7:30 -9:30pm

The Biggest Cripples to Christian Men's Faith & How We can Overcome

Real Men -Real Talk / Real men embracing

God's presence

Speaker: Anesu-Patrick Sakutombo

ZOOM: 848 8650 8971

PASSCODE: MEN112022

#### EXTREME TEENS CAMP

22-28 AUGUST 2022

CHAPEL PORTH, ST AGNES, TRURO, CORNWALL TR5 0N

SEE POSTER FOR DETAILS

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DEPARTMENT

Re: Jerusalem Marketplace (SEC Camp Meeting 2022)

The SEC Children's Ministries Department (CMD) will be hosting a week-long virtual programme themed Jerusalem Marketplace during Virtual Camp Meeting (VCM) in parallel with our onsite programme at Hays Wood Retreat from 31st May to 5th June 2022.

Register your child/ren at

<https://bit.ly/382KNew>

See attached letter for more information

#### Jerusalem Marketplace Resources Order Form (SEC Camp Meeting 2022)

see attached order form

Jerusalem Marketplace Resources (SEC Camp Meeting 2022) Please see Jerusalem

Marketplace Resources Order Form for details on how to purchase resources.

Email [info@brixkidz.org](mailto:info@brixkidz.org) or call 07866

437262 for more information

**SABBATH SCHOOL PRESENTS  
TRAINING DAY FOR  
AREAS 5,6A, 6c, 7 & 8  
SUNDAY 15 MAY -10AM TO 1:30PM  
THIS IS A ZOOM ONLY EVENT  
Theme: Transforming Our Sabbath  
School ALIVE!**

**Host: Pr. Fergus Owusu-Boateng -SEC  
SS & AMR Director  
Presenters: Dr. Michael Njagi Mbui -  
SEC Personal Ministries Director  
Dr. Kirk Thomas BUC PM, SS & Church  
Growth Director  
Zoom: 91678031198  
Password:2021  
TRAINING FOR SABBATH SCHOOL  
LEADERS & TEACHERS**

**TEENS & PATHFINDERS SERVICES  
CAMP MEETING 30 MAY - 4 JUNE  
Join us on FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE  
www.secteens.org / 01923 232728 /  
teens@secadventist.org.uk  
See attached poster for more  
information**

**FAMILY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT  
SINGLE ADULTS WEEKEND  
VENUE: STOKE NEWINGTON  
CHURCH  
DATE: 16TH JULY 2022  
Details to follow.**

**FAMILY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT  
FAMILY CAMP  
DATE: 31st JUL - 7th AUGUST 2022  
Chapel Porth Caravan Site, Goonvrea,  
St Agness, Cornwall TR5 0NS  
Call Ligia Buzac on 01923 232728 or  
email [lbuzac@secadventist.org.uk](mailto:lbuzac@secadventist.org.uk)**

**Prayer Ministries Retreat Application  
15th -17th July 2022 form attached  
Venue:: DeVere Wokefield Estate Golf  
Club, Goodboy's Lane,Reading, RG7  
3AE  
Deadline 16th May for applications  
The theme of the retreat is "Fervency  
in Prayer and Mission" and the  
keynote speakers will be Dr Donnett  
Blake and Dr Samuel Telemaque**

**"Power Hour of Prayer" being hosted  
by the BUC.**

Each Wednesday lunchtime from 12-  
1PM starting February 2 until 21  
December 2022. This will be a time to  
seek the Lord in prayer about work  
related projects, ministry and personal  
matters. Within the Power Hour of  
Prayer there will be time for praise  
reports, testimony and the opportunity  
to boost your week.

God bless you all as we look forward to  
spending this hour with you each week  
in prayer.

Meeting ID: 886 7208 8696  
Password: PRAYER

**SABBATH SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR 1ST &  
2ND QUARTER**

You may order your Sabbath School  
supplies for yourself or your church.  
Alternatively order online at:  
[www.LifeSourceBookshop.co.uk](http://www.LifeSourceBookshop.co.uk)

**PRAYER MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT  
FERVENCY IN PRAYER & MISSION  
15 - 17 JULY 2022 @ DE VERE  
WOKEFIELD ESTATE GOLF CLUB**

For more information call  
Ligia on 01923 232728 or email  
[lbuzac@secadventist.org.uk](mailto:lbuzac@secadventist.org.uk)  
See attached flyer

**TEENS MINISRY  
PRAYER & FAITH CONFERENCE  
24 - 28 OCTOBER 2022  
@ HAYS@S WOOD RETREAT, SETCH RD,  
NORFOLK PE32 1XU  
£80 per person  
Transport leaves SEC on Monday @ 2pm  
& returns on Friday at 4pm  
See poster for more information**

**FAMILY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT  
Mothers and Fathers  
Daughters and Sons  
Prayer Conference  
Date: Sabbath, 12th November 2022  
Venue: TBC  
see poster attached**

**STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT -  
MENTAL HEALTH - IT'S TIME TO TAKE  
CARE OF YOUR MENTAL HEALTH.**

A series of Offertory Devotional Video for  
every Sabbath within May 2022.  
Below the link for this week's Devotional  
Video and offertories, which we would  
like to encourage you to show to your  
church, giving a further education of  
stewardship principles.

**14th May 2022  
Demonstrate Self-Denial  
<https://vimeo.com/687923961>  
Also attached is the poster for the **Mental  
Health Week**, which is a joint programme  
by the **Stewardship Department and the  
Cornerstone Counselling Service**, which  
focuses on the stewardship of our mental  
health.**

**SEC Prayer Ministries Retreat  
Letter to churches to promote retreat  
with details of speakers and expectations  
of retreat.  
See attached letter**

**CORNERSTONE COUNSELLING SERVICES  
(CCS)**

Please ensure your members are aware of  
the support available through Cornerstone  
Call the dedicated listening line from 8am  
to midnight, seven days a week on 0330 133  
2495

For counselling appointments, call the  
office on 0207 723 8050, from 9.30am to  
5.30pm, Monday to Thursday, and 9am to  
12noon on Fridays.

Email: [connect@ccscounselling.org.uk](mailto:connect@ccscounselling.org.uk)  
Visit our website to chat online and for  
emotional support resources:  
[ccscounselling.org.uk](http://ccscounselling.org.uk)

Suicide Support for Young People Please  
help to support our children and young  
people who are struggling with suicidal  
thoughts by sharing the attached poster  
and adopting the WAIT support principles

**CCS NEEDS YOU! HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

- Be a mental health first aider
  - Be a listening volunteer
  - Be a CVS rep/mental health champion
  - Donate from as little as £1 a week or  
more
  - Be a CCS volunteer counsellor
- Join our vibrant team if you are an:**
- addiction therapist
  - trauma therapist
  - child and young people therapist
  - family therapist

Dealing with mental health requires  
resilience. Let CCS walk with you on this  
journey.

**CCS is here to support you!**

**CHURCH GROWTH DEPARTMENT  
BACK IN TIME and INTO OUR TIME  
Travel back in time on a visit to the British  
Museum with your guides:  
Pr Wayne Erasmus & Pr Sinisa Horvat  
Visit on the Following Sundays: Feb 27,  
April 10, June 26, Sept 4, Nov 20,2022  
The second of nine short videos on the  
Natural Church Growth Development  
framework by Pastor Wayne Erasmus, has  
now been released.  
<https://youtu.be/bhaEEVzb9AU>**

**CCS -TRAUMA & BRAIN  
Saturday 7 May 2022 - 5pm - 6:30pm  
How do I know its a trauma?  
Can my life be whole again?  
Streaming on YouTube  
ZOOM:897 0456 0826  
PASSWORD: 508187  
See poster for details**

**LIFESOURCE  
CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOP  
BOOK & FOOD SALE  
To request specific items - 01476 591700  
[sales@stanboroughpress.org.uk](mailto:sales@stanboroughpress.org.uk)**

### **SASS - ONLINE ZOOM**

#### **The Power of Singles - Praying & Fasting**

to submit your prayer requests which we will pray for on the day go to:  
<https://adventistsinglesevents.com/prayer/>

#### **Opening fast prayer service 8am UK TIME - 3:Am EST**

Closing fast prayer service 6pm UK TIME  
 1-pm EST

ZOOM: 5455184477

PASSWORD: GENESIS 218 - see poster for details

### **SINGLE ADVENTIST MINISTRY**

#### **Speed Dating & Breakout Rooms**

Sunday @ 7pm

ZOOM: 5455184477

PASSWORD: GENESIS 218

### **S.A.S.S - Every Sunday @4pm**

#### **Single Adventists Social. With Elder Paul Graves**

ZOOM: 5455184477

PASSWORD: GENESIS 218

Check the attached flyer for more info!  
 9pm UK TIME 4PM EST. 10PM AFRICA TIME.

INVITE FRIENDS TOO!!!

\*Register for this FREE event at\*

<http://adventistsinglesevents.com/register/>

**\*Thanks for the donation offers\***

<https://adventistsinglesevents.com/donate/>

#### **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:**

1: For Single Adventists ONLY. All those who are single never married, single previously married and single widowed are welcome. No married people will be admitted to the event whether married or married but separated.

2: Full names are required for entry. Persons not displaying their real names will not be admitted.

3: As this is both a singles event to get counsel as well as form friendships, you may be requested to turn your camera on. those who do not comply will not be admitted. This is also for fairness and for the safety of all the singles attending.

### **CLICK & CONNECT S.N.A.G.D**

#### **EVERY FRIDAY**

#### **\*MAY'S THEME\***

#### **\*Remaining Faithful\***

Worship, prayer & fellowship for single adventists - every Friday @8pm

**Defined But No Longer Confined**

**Presenter: Pastor Angeline Edwards**

ZOOM: 833 710 7765

PASSCODE: BLESSED

### **FELLOWSHIP WITH FUN**

#### **SATURDAY NITE DELITE**

Featuring: DateMate

Every 1st Saturday of each month @ 9pm

ZOOM: 833 710 7765

PASSCODE: BLESSED

### **THE WATERING HOLE CHURCH PLANT - DORCHESTER**

The Watering Hole church plant is looking for a missional minded person or couple who would be willing to come and help us reach more people in order to grow disciples and impact the community.

Application form detail in attachment

### **STEWARDSHIP & CORNERSTONE**

#### **COUNSELLING SERVICE.**

#### **MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**

**13-20 May - every night at 7pm**

Focusing on the stewardship of our mental health.

Streaming live: SEC MEDIA, FaceBook,

**see poster for more information**

### **THE SEC FAMILY MINISTRIES, PRAYER MINISTRIES & COUNSELLING**

#### **DEPARTMENTS - 23 - 25 SEPTEMBER**

#### **Presents**

#### **Prayer & Healing Restoration**

#### **A Power Packed Weekend of**

#### **Transformation**

#### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

**Dr Charles Marcel Zeno -GC**

**Dr Les Ackie - BUC**

**Pr Linda Asare - SEC**

**VENUE: Denham Grove Hotel, Tilehouse**

**Lane, Denham UB9 5DG**

**SEE ATTACHED POSTER FOR**

**APPLICATION DETAILS**

### **LAUNCH OF SEC DEAF ONLINE**

#### **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

#### **STEPPING OUT IN FAITH**

**7 MAY 10AM - 1PM**

**YOUTUBE - See attached poster for more information and venue.**

### **FAMILY MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT**

#### **Family Togetherness Week**

**Date: 4th & 10th September 2022**

Each local church celebrating and embracing the power of togetherness praying for marriages, families, and relationships on sabbath September 10 - Family Togetherness day of Prayer

Warmest regards,



Dr. Emmanuel Osei

**President**

**South England Conference**