



# PASTORAL NEWSLETTER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE



## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

DR. EMMANUEL OSEI

Dear Friends,

Greetings in the precious name of our soon coming King.

We are all too often reminded that life is not always within our control. Last Friday, just a few days after we laid Pr Andrew Davis to rest, we heard the tragic news that the family have suffered yet another bereavement. Pastor Sam Davis lost his father. Over the Christmas period we also learned that former BUC Education Director Kathleen Hanson also lost her father, Samuel Ahwan, former Literature Evangelist with the SEC who passed away on the 21 December and was laid to rest today. Also, one the SEC's own Prayer warriors Sis Hermine Davis also laid her husband to rest. We do not however live as people without hope, and we are assured that one day soon we will meet our loved ones again.

### SEC Evangelism Expo 2020 resources

For those who are seeking the resources of the presentations delivered at the Evangelism Expo, they can be accessed from the following links;

#### Dr Osei's Presentation:

<https://youtu.be/rc11F2ctOfY>

#### Pr Erasmus' Presentation:

[https://youtu.be/Fb\\_KndlHLBs](https://youtu.be/Fb_KndlHLBs)

### Ten Days of Prayer 2020

#### Seeking God's Spirit 8-18 January

The 10 days of Prayer concludes this coming Sabbath 18th January. The readings will still be available for reference and for further

use at: [www.tendaysofprayer.org](http://www.tendaysofprayer.org)

To end the Ten days of prayer, the SEC Prayer Ministries team are having a night of prayer at the Hyland House School - starting at 6pm on the **18th January 2020**. Please see the accompanying advert

### Keeping the Church Family Safe (KCFS)

I am once again attaching for your immediate attention a timetable containing the dates that KCFS training will be delivered in your area. This training is compulsory for All Pastors, All Board Members, All those who work with Children and Vulnerable Adults in ALL churches i.e. Sabbath School, Pathfinders etc. Please find attached a letter to the leaders in Area 1 churches who will receive training on **Sunday 26th January 2020**.

**SEC Camp Meeting 2020** was to be a joint NEC/SEC Camp Meeting with our sister conference for this year, however, given that this is also a GC year, and that the dates were extremely close together, the decision was taken to suspend Camp Meeting for this year and to look at plans for next year including sourcing a different venue. Please follow the link below for the video message from Pastor Osei <https://youtu.be/EmaOvak7k0Y>

### SEC Youth Ministries

Youth Leadership Conference will be held next weekend 24-26 January. For more information contact [youthministries@secadventist.org.uk](mailto:youthministries@secadventist.org.uk)

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### SEC Stewardship

#### Tithe and Offerings Readings & Videos.

This is a time of year when many of us actually get a chance to take a breather and reflect on the past and make decisions about our future. We also thank God for ALL that He has done in our lives in the past year, inspiring and helping us to respond with a deeper commitment of 'Putting God First' in everything we plan and do this year, 2020. The Tithe and Offering Readings are designed to help our members apply their faith, trust and commitment to God through their partnership with the gospel.

.. [Offertory Readings & Resources for 2020](#)

### SEC Teens' Ministries

#### SEC Teens Ministries Sabbath 7 March

Our first ever **SEC Teens' Congress** will be a day of praise and worship; training and discussion; workshops, seminars and the inspiring word of God. It's a free event designed to charge the spiritual batteries to start the year. Lunch and refreshments are included. Please encourage the teens in your churches to register online, as places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis. Visit the website for full details:

<http://www.secteens.org/events/congress>

### SEC Communication & Media

#### 60 SEC News

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCJwMkH9QCA\\_6uapEj2iGQualDbOmcP6i](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCJwMkH9QCA_6uapEj2iGQualDbOmcP6i)

The latest Issue of the **SEC COMMUNICATOR Magazine** is now available and can be viewed online at:  
<https://seccommunicator.com/>

### Adventist Radio London

ARL Appeal Since its inception, a mere twenty months ago, the Lord has blessed the fledgling ministry of Adventist Radio London tremendously. The numerous testimonials received from listeners encourages us to believe that God is using this ministry to touch and change lives in preparation for his eternal kingdom. However, in order to keep this ministry alive, there is urgent need for funding. The expense of staffing, transmission, and day to day running of this 24/7 ministry can run quite high. We are therefore appealing to the generosity of our members to ensure that this most important and providential ministry-opportunity is kept alive.

**Please read the attached appeal letter to see how you can "share the hope" by supporting this ministry for as little as £5 per month.**

### Prayer Focus

Please continue to keep the two Davis families, and the Ahwan 'family in your prayers this week.

We pray for the Holy Spirit that has captivated us these ten days to continue to contend with us so that it becomes our daily life-style as we pray this week for Australian Bush fires , Countries in Southern Africa who are currently ravaged by a drought and that floods in this Country do not cause too much distress

Warmest regards,



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