



PASTORAL NEWSLETTER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTH ENGLAND CONFERENCE



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

DR. EMMANUEL OSEI

Dear Friends

This is our last email to you before Christmas and hopefully our last of 2021. It has been a strange couple of years and we are now heading into our second Christmas tainted and forever different because of the continuing impact of Covid-19. But let me end the year by saying a big thank you to you all. Every one of you has continued to fulfil your calling despite all that has gone on and despite the challenges we have had to face corporately and personally. So with sincere gratitude, thank you for all your hard work and thank you for being a part of the SEC family.

May Your Pockets Be Heavy and Your Heart be Light. May God Pursue You Each Morning and Night. May your troubles be less and your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door. May God be your friend in whatever you do and may trouble be always a stranger to you. (An Irish Blessing)

May you all have a blessed, peaceful and safe Christmas and may the new year bring abundant blessings.

Dr E Osei, Pr D McCormac, Mrs C Layson

60 SEC News

Watch the new episode here:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCJwMkH9QCA_6uapEj2iGQuaIDbOmcP6i

Tithe Analysis

Candy Layson, SEC Treasurer

October Tithe update:

	Monthly	2021 Actual (YTD)	2021 Budget (YTD)	2020 Actual (YTD)	Compared to Budget	Compared to Last Year
Jan-21	1,188,786	1,188,786	1,155,599	1,193,406	2.9%	-0.4%
Feb-21	1,150,141	2,338,927	2,311,198	2,438,469	1.2%	-4.1%
Mar-21	1,375,992	3,714,920	3,466,797	3,391,597	7.2%	9.5%
Apr-21	1,355,134	5,070,054	4,622,397	4,262,228	9.7%	19.0%
May-21	1,492,732	6,562,786	5,777,996	5,426,971	13.6%	20.9%
Jun-21	1,523,020	8,085,806	6,933,595	6,516,187	16.6%	24.1%
Jul-21	1,511,501	9,597,307	8,089,194	7,525,464	18.6%	27.5%
Aug-21	1,328,791	10,926,098	9,244,793	8,653,282	18.2%	26.3%
Sep-21	1,328,606	12,254,705	10,400,393	9,895,296	17.8%	23.8%
Oct-21	1,438,660	13,693,364	11,441,576	11,555,992	19.7%	18.5%

We received £1.4m in October which is higher than August and September this year. However, compared to the same period of last year, it is lower than 7%. Overall though, the variances look very encouraging with 19.7% to budget and 18.5% to last year. It's been amazing how the Spirit works in our members hearts leading them to remain faithful and generous all throughout these difficult times.

50% of the Messenger Charges will continue to be recharged to the local churches via their Trust Fund as approved by the Executive Committee. The Messenger issues can be downloaded from the following link:

<https://adventist.uk/news/messenger/>
For hard copies, members can subscribe by contacting Stanborough Press.

This will be my last update this year so I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your dedication and commitment in doing God's work. We also continue to put our trust and confidence in God who has sustained us throughout this year.

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10 Days of Prayer / 5-15 January 2022

SEC Children's Ministries Dept and BriXKID2 ministries

YouTube sec kids planet - Facebook

SECCMB - Instagram Brixkids

Festival of Sound Vol 2: Let the Praises

Ring | 11 January 2022

Festival of Sound Vol 2: Let the Praises Ring | 1 January. Join us on **1 January at 7pm** for a special evening full of songs of peace, joy and hope, as we let praises ring for Jesus, our King of Kings and Lord of Lords! This concert will feature a range of international artists and we'll be fundraising for the Selhurst Food Bank. Not to be missed – invite your friends and family. For further details, visit:

<https://www.croydonadventist.org/event/festival-of-sound-2021/>

Cornerstone Counselling Service (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 12 noon on Fridays;
- Email connect@ccscounselling.org.uk;
- Visit our website to chat online and for emotional support resources: 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.

HEADTEACHER AT HYLAND HOUSE SCHOOL

Due to the retirement of our Head teacher, the Governors of Hyland House School, Holcombe Road, Tottenham, London. N17 9AD invite applications for the position of **Head teacher starting September 2022** Job description attached.

Croydon SDA 2022 Inspiration Calendar

Our inspiration calendar is back again for 2022 and is available to buy for only £3!

Unlike a regular calendar, it's packed full of inspiring daily actions and Bible verses, covering a wide range of themes, such as having peace of mind, managing stress, eating well, getting fit, and much more.

This will make a great gift and outreach tool for your family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues during these challenging times. You can order online for collection or delivery at:

<https://www.croydonadventist.org/inspiration-calendar-2022/>

We will be giving out over **2000 free calendars** to our local community and our Food Bank clients this year, so every calendar you purchase will help go towards the cost of producing them. Every little bit you contribute helps. Thanks in advance for your support.

Communication & Media

Monday Morning Manna: 27 December

Please be encouraged by these short devotional messages and feel free to share: youtu.be/7Sm8xlfKwpM communicator.com

Prayer Ministries

Friday 31 December @10pm - 4am

Invites you to AN ALL NIGHT SERVICE We look forward to seeing you.

Meeting ID: 919 4553 8924

Password: 670468

STREAMING LIVE

SECMEDIA : www.secmmedia.org

Ebenezer - Thus Far The Loird Has Helped Us - 1 Samuel 7:12

Host: Linda Nyamhunga Asare

Speakers: Dr Donnett Blake, Pr Mohan

Abbadasari, Dr Samuel Telemaque, Cresha

Walkinshaw,, Rachel Johnson

THE SEC FIRST DEAF ONLINE

COMMUNITY CHURCH STEPPING OUT IN

FAITH 22 JANUSARY 2022 10AM - 1PM We look forward to seeing you **Meeting ID: 880**

8124 8265 Password: MEN332021 THE SERVICE WILL LIVE STREAM ON:

SECmedia & SECmedia BSL, YouTube

Location: ILFORD CENTRAL SDA CHURCH 14-16 COVENTRY ROAD, ILFORD IG1 4QR

SEC COMMUNICATOR Magazine

This edition focuses on the challenges facing our teenagers and highlights how more awareness of their situation can help us to engage positivity with this vital segment of our membership and their non adventist friends. Are we engaging sufficiently with our teens inside church and in their day to day lives

outside church?

As usual the departmental updates and church news: sec

May our sons in their youth be like plants full grown, our daughters like corner pillars cut for the structure of a palace," Psalm 144:12

HYLAND HOUSE SCHOOL


"At Hyland House School we empower young minds to have a strong trust in God, to have great self-belief and to develop Christian characteristics. Once we sow seeds of empowerment, we nurture our children so that they thrive and blossom. The Lord has blessed our children because they take the school values with them when they graduate to their next stage of their learning. Our children are 'achieving excellence'. We have many success stories. You are welcome to come and experience the Hyland House School blessing for yourself.

Places are available for children to start January 2022 onwards. We encourage you to call the school to learn more or to arrange a visit."

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Warmest regards,



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