



## A MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE BISHOP



Welcome to the Christmas issue of the One Mission One Vision newsletter.

In this issue you will find information on the Oliver Lyseight Lecture for 2021, the COVID rules for Christmas, information on our Heritage Centre, updates from some of our Departments as well as a Christmas message from myself. You will also notice on page 13 an article regarding Engine Room and the new dates for 2021. This will continue on zoom and will be reviewed during next year. We have been very pleased about how well our 'new' Engine Room format has been going and would like to thank all those involved in making it such a great success.

I would also like to bring to your attention the Christmas Anagram Competition on page 4. Send your entries through to Katie by 16th December to be in with a chance of winning one of the amazing prizes!

This year has been extremely challenging worldwide and it will continue to be over the Christmas and New Year period however I continue to be confident that God will see us through this difficult time.

We continue to pray for you and your families.

Mrs Bolt and I would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Bishop Dr. Donald Bolt*



*“And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins”*



MATTHEW 1:21



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**2018 - 2022**



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The 2021 lecture will be delivered by Dr Carol Tomlin. She is an award-winning academic with a long and distinguished career both nationally and internationally. She has trained teachers/educational leaders, managed a range of programmes, and taught English, Communication and Education Studies in universities in the UK and USA. She is currently a visiting fellow at the University of Leeds and the senior leader of Restoration of Fellowship Ministries. As an ordained minister, she has several years of pastoral ministry as the senior leader of Restoration of Fellowship Ministries, worked as a health care chaplain, and is registered with the UK Board of Healthcare Chaplains. She is the author of several publications including her most recent book, *Preach It: Understanding African Caribbean Preaching*, which had been selected by the Society for Pentecostal Studies as a finalist for the 2020 Pneuma Book of the Year. In addition, she has co-authored other academic books with Dr Paul Mocombe, such as *The Oppositional Culture Theory* and *Race and Class Distinctions within Black Communities*. As a gifted orator, Dr Tomlin regularly presents at conferences where she is often invited as the keynote speaker.



**Rev Dr Carol Tomlin**



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**SUPPORTING LOCAL FAMILIES DURING THE PANDEMIC**

**THE WOODGATE CHURCH FOOD INITIATIVE - BARTLEY GREEN**

In October 2020, Pastor Catherine Elizabeth Harris from NTCG Woodgate, following a conversation with a member of the Woodgate church, felt led by the Holy Spirit to provide families living in the community of Bartley Green where the Woodgate Church serves, with food parcels. Pastor Harris shared this initiative with the Church family and decided to arrange this for Saturday 14th November 2020.

The food initiative went ahead as planned on the 14th November 2020. Pastor Harris felt led to knock on the doors of local families

personally and communicated this with the church family. This was a great success giving God all the Glory and praise and thanking the team for a wonderful job well done!

Many families from different walks of life were blessed and truly appreciated what the Woodgate Church family had done for them.

Pastor Harris would like to thank the team for a wonderful job well done, friends and colleagues who contributed to the food initiative and for making it a great success. To God be all the Glory, and praise.



**THE FOOD DISTRIBUTION TEAM**



# LEADERSHIP TRAINING CENTRE



We are delighted to share with our readers the continued development of our online provisions for training and education at LTC. These include comprehensive distance learning packs, the LTC Moodle, and our updated website pages to enhance user experience.

We encourage students and potential course members to book their DVD versions of courses and examinations by using the Eventbrite Link until we complete updates and introduce our new Learning Management System.

It's encouraging to see the responses from pastors and leaders who signpost and register their members for courses that contribute to enhancing ministry delivery and service to the church community.

The Heritage centre continues to make strides as a shining light in our denomination, developing international recognition and building local engagement thanks for the excellent work from Rev Phyllis Thompson- the Heritage Centre Administrator. We will share more about the Centre in future publications as LTC continues to forge new relationships with academic partners and consolidate the opportunities for training and educational activities for our organisations' mutual interest.

With God's grace, we move towards the end of an unfamiliar year and unusual season of challenges; we wish to convey our thanks and best wishes to all our students, facilitators, and LTC's work supporters. We are immensely grateful to the National Leadership, volunteers, contributors and LTC partners.

**Rev Delroy Henry**  
National Director of Education



## MAREESHA MORRIS HOW I PREPARED FOR MY EXAMS

My name is Mareesha Morris, enrolled on the CAMS course (Calling and Ministerial Studies). On September 12th I sat two of the five required exams. I want to share, how I prepared for those exams. I love the saying "No man is an island" this was important for me during my exam preparation. I am part of a study group where we keep in regular contact, meeting via Zoom to discuss topics and provide moral support. I believe during the Pandemic, they motivated me to keep going. I would admonish anyone studying to find themselves a good study group; two are better than one.

Outside of group studies, a priority for me was being organised. I created a study schedule, a few weeks before the exam, which I stuck with. I was mindful to

give myself ample opportunity to revise, so I would not be faced with the prospect of having insufficient time to cover the necessary exam topics.

In summary, what worked was being organised, prepared and having a like-minded support system. I would say to anyone studying for exams with the LTC; give yourself the best head start possible, find what works for you early on and stick with it.



## EDUCATION BOARD MEMBER PROFILE: REV MARCEL SIMPSON

Rev Marcel has served as an LTC facilitator for the past decade as he leads the course, 'Knowing the Holy Spirit'. It covers a study of the work of the Holy Spirit, from the initial process of regeneration, sanctification and adoption, to the Pentecostal experience, spiritual gifts and activity in the Old and New Testaments.

Marcel continues to analyse and develop his contribution to the National Education Board and considers strategies for strengthening the Youth and Discipleship Department's impact and collaborative activity in training and education.



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# CHRISTMAS COMPETITION

This year we would like to give some of our readers the opportunity to win some prizes!

All you need to do is send an email to [katie.mcilravie@ntcg.org.uk](mailto:katie.mcilravie@ntcg.org.uk) giving your answers to the anagrams below.

Entries should be emailed by Wednesday 16th December 2020.

All entries will be placed in a hat and Bishop Bolt will select the winners which will be announced on Friday 18th December 2020.

Good luck!

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3. Chriss just (5,6)
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6. Erosive lightly (6,8)
7. Choc fordhug (6,2,3)
8. Yeti dual (8)
9. Enjoy mad sharp (4,3,6)
10. Be the helm (9)

# WORLD HUMAN RIGHTS DAY



## 10th December 2020

Human Rights Day commemorates the day the General Assembly of the UN adopted and proclaimed the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The UDHR is one of UN's major achievements as well as the first enunciation of human rights across the world.

Adopted on 10th December 1948, the Declaration stipulates universal values and a shared standard of achievement for everyone in every country. While the Declaration is not a binding document, it inspired over 60 human rights instruments that today make a common standard of human rights. It is the most translated document around the globe available in over 500 languages.

**“Glory be to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men”**

LUKE 2:14



## CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

11th December 2020

Christmas Jumper Day is an annual charity event and this year it's being held on December 11th, with 100% of proceeds going to the charity 'Save the Children'.

Individuals and Organisations, businesses and schools, find their most festive jumpers and wear the jumpers to work for the day instead of normal clothes or uniforms, to raise funds through sponsorship. A cheerful and festive way of raising funds and awareness for Save the Children in time for Christmas.

Many of us may not be at work this year but we can still join in by wearing our Christmas jumpers at home and getting in the festive spirit!



## COVID UPDATE WHAT CAN I DO AT CHRISTMAS?

- Three households can form a temporary “Christmas bubble” from 23rd to 27th December 2020
- They can mix indoors in private homes and stay overnight
- No travel restrictions in the five-day period
- You can't go to a pub or restaurant with your bubble
- If you have coronavirus symptoms or are self-isolating you cannot join a bubble
- You can meet people outside your Christmas bubble outdoors, but only in line with the rules of the tier where you are staying

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# THE PRE-EXISTENCE OF CHRIST

## A Christmas Message from the Administrative Bishop

As we celebrate this extremely important season of Advent, it is equally important for us to remember that Christ existed before His physical manifestation in the flesh. That is why Jesus was able to tell his audience, *"Before Abraham was, I am"*. *"Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, before Abraham was, I am"* (John 8:58). Bearing in mind, that Abraham lived many hundreds of years before Jesus was born of the Virgin Mary, how then can Jesus make such a claim?

Jesus was essentially echoing and reaffirming the revelation that God gave to John as it relates to who Christ is.

*"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning, and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty"* (Revelation 1:8).

The holy scriptures are replete with evidence of the pre-existence of Christ. In the book of beginnings, we have the very first mention made in the scriptures relating to the coming of Jesus in the flesh. This promise is known as the Protoevangelium or (first promise).

*"And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel"* (Genesis 3:15).

What is this promise? That the seed of the women would bruise the head of the serpent. The seed of the women in this context is referring to the immaculate conception and subsequent birth of Jesus via the Virgin Mary. The Serpent did bruise the heel of Jesus when he was crucified on good Friday, however, Jesus bruised the head of the serpent on resurrection Sunday morning when he arose triumphantly from the grave.

It is very important for us to remember that Jesus is from the beginning, he was present at the creation, in fact He is co-creator with God the father. The Apostle John in his writing states that *"in the beginning was the word and the word was with God and the Word was God"*.

He went on to state that the word (Jesus) became flesh and dwell among us. That is what we call incarnation, meaning when Divinity became humanity.

That is why the Scriptures declares to us. *"Behold, a*

*virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us"* (St. Matthew 1:23).

The birth of Jesus is the manifestation of Him coming in the flesh. Jesus who was from the beginning of time, was made sin for us to redeem us from our sins.

The golden text of the bible, John 3:16 states *"for God so love the World that he gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting live"*.

*"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:*

*And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.*

*Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:*

*That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth.*

*And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father"* (Philippians 2:5-11).

***Jesus is the first and the last, beginning and the end.***

***He is the keeper of creation and the creator of all.***

***He is the architect of the universe and the manager of all time.***

***He always was, he always is, he always will be, unmoved, unchanged, undefeated, and never undone.***

***Jesus was bruised and bought healing,***

***He was pierced and eased pain.***

***He was persecuted and brought freedom.***

***He was dead and brought life.***

***He is risen and brings power.***

***He reigns and brings peace.***



Wishing you and your families a blessed Christmas

***Bishop Dr Donald Bolt***



# OUR HERITAGE CENTRE

## WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE NTCG HERITAGE CENTRE?

### OUR MISSION

The Heritage Centre gathers, preserves and makes accessible to members and interested others information, learning resources, exhibition and research material on the history of the NTCG in England and Wales from the early 50s. Our story is told with reference to our denomination's heritage ministries in collaboration with the Dixon Pentecostal Research Center, the emergence of Black Majority Churches in the UK as embodied in the work of Rev Dr Roswith Gerloff and the wider Pentecostal movement.

We are committed to making these resources accessible to our members and the wider community in the interest of inter-generational learning and the value of learning from history.

As we grow and develop, our aim is to reflect the diversity of our communities. We are gathering resources produced by, for and about the black majority church history and ministry in the UK to aid our learning from our history.

### HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

There are lots of things you can do to support the NTCG Heritage Centre:

- Donate your personal or family papers (letters, diaries, un/published writings, audible and visible records)
- Donate Church programmes, significant sermons, newsletters;
- Offer a copy of your thesis/publications
- Monetary donations
- Volunteer your time and skills eg. research, oral history, archiving, fundraising
- Donate your personal or family papers (letters, diaries, un/published writings, audible and visible records)
- Participate in a collaborative Distance learning course at the University of Leicester.

### HOW CAN I FIND OUT MORE?

For further information on our Heritage Centre, please visit our website at the link below.

[CLICK HERE](#)

SAVE THE DATE!

## OUR WINDRUSH AMBASSADORS

Three of our Ministers - **Bishop Paul Thomas, Rev. Edward Sterling and Rev. Sandra Litchmore** have been duly appointed by the Home Office as Windrush Ambassadors. Their role is to create awareness regarding the scheme and they will be hosting an event on **Tuesday 15th December at 7pm via Zoom** for all Faith Leaders across England. More information of

this meeting and their full role will be sent to you ahead of this meeting via our Administrative Bishop - Donald Bolt. In the meantime, please make the poster available to members in your church to enable them to check their eligibility for the scheme. There is a number on the poster should they need to contact the Windrush Help Team for any assistance or questions they may have. Please see the poster on the next page 



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# TRUTH & RECONCILIATION CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LUTON

19 church leaders from across the town of Luton gathered to reflect on the racism that exists in our society and within our churches. It was called by Churches Together in Luton and led by Pastor Vincent Cox (NTCG Luton) and supported by Pastor Tony Thompson (Hope Church).

Black pastors shared about their experiences of racism. Of being asked to leave churches without explanation, of being unwanted in the civil service due to the colour of their skin. They shared how they took the experience of George Floyd personally.

They talked about the importance of relationships between church leaders from different backgrounds but these friendships need to go very deep if we are to explore the roots of what separates us, our differing experiences and the residual issues of the slave trade.

The breadth and seriousness of racism was spoken of. Feelings of superiority and inferiority are a sickness that destroys God's creation.

White pastors responded, agreeing with what was shared by their black colleagues and admitting their role in racism as individuals and as denominations.

They talked about actions already taken but the need for more to be done to eliminate prejudice in all its forms.

It was agreed by all that we need to move beyond statements to actions. To be partners on a journey dreaming of what the future might look like. To meet as individuals to build friendships and grow together, the next gathering being early December. To look at ways we can help each other build more culturally mixed churches, a survey has been developed to help us in this.

Other practical suggestions were made, bringing youth together from our churches to explore relationships, exploring the possibility of the transfer of unused church buildings to Black majority churches, working together and with the powerful in our town to eliminate inequalities in education and other areas.

This was an important foundational meeting that we hope to build on in the months and years to come. We invite other church leaders to join us on the journey.

***Pastor Vincent Cox and Pastor Tony Thompson***

COME FOR THE TRUTH. TIME FOR EMPOWERMENT.

# HISTORY HERITAGE IDENTITY

AN ONLINE SYMPOSIUM  
FOR THE CARIBBEAN DIASPORA IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

PRESENTED BY AFRO-CARIBBEAN CHURCHES IN THE UK AND  
THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES

## The History, Heritage and Identity Symposium

was held virtually on November 12, 2020.

In the context of the global outrage and gathering protest movement at the death of George Floyd, the Afro-Caribbean Churches in the UK have turned to The UWI for partnership and support to stage an Online Symposium, which they have described as an attempt "to construct the intellectual infrastructure for a high-quality conversation with the Church of England and other officials in the power structure of British society".

Ostensibly, these Bishops and pastors on behalf of their congregants and mass of people of West Indian heritage living in the United Kingdom, are seeking to engage the Church of England and the wider British society on the "uncomfortable facts and details" of the Transatlantic Slave Trade, as part of a larger and more long-term goal to establish the UK Diaspora in a correct knowledge of their history and cultural identity.

To view the symposium.....

[CLICK HERE](#)

**PUTTING THE MESSAGE INTO MULTIMEDIA**

On Sunday 22nd November 2020, NCAM Media held the first part of our first Media Workshop... **“Putting the Message into Multimedia”** designed to help empower media, broadcasting and graphics teams of our Churches to serve in this now key area of mission. The sessions were a great success. We have now also held part two of the training which took place on Saturday 28th November which looked at how best to stream services online. Both days were very well received and we are confident they will assist media ministry practitioners in the churches of those that attended to deliver ministry that is effective and wide reaching.

**NEW YEAR’S CELEBRATION**



Plans are underway for the development of an NTCG National New Year’s celebration and thanksgiving for God’s grace and mercy in 2020 and our anticipation of abundant blessings in the year ahead.

A joint team involving personnel from the National Youth and Discipleship Team and the National Creative Arts Team are working hard to bring the Church together so that at the turn of this year the whole Church and anyone that would like to engage can transition into the new year or “Emerge” in Unity and in the presence of the Lord.

It has been a very challenging year for us all and there is much to reflect on and much to build or even rebuild.

More details will be shared soon and we pray that you will join us as we endeavour to serve you. It will be broadcasted on YouTube and can be viewed from the comfort of your homes. If churches are open, they may also wish to organise group viewings within the church buildings.



**CHRISTMAS FUN**



**SPOT THE DIFFERENCE! 5 TO FIND**



## Send a shoebox full of Joy this Christmas!

Christians across the UK have been starting their Christmas present-giving early this year by packing shoeboxes full of gifts for Operation Christmas Child - a simple and fun activity that enables the sender to demonstrate the love of Jesus, by showing children in areas of poverty around the world that they are loved and not forgotten at Christmas. And the result is truly amazing!

After receiving their shoebox gift full of joy, a child is offered an invite to come back to their local church to take part in 'The Greatest Journey' – a 12-session, fun and interactive bible discovery course. TGI is such a great, free resource that aids the church to continue its relationship, after a shoebox, with the children in their community and equips them to share the Gospel!



As a result, over **2.2 Million** children decided to follow Jesus in 2019 across 100 countries Worldwide - the equivalent of **one child for every five boxes** donated!

**“These Children - Wow!!.. they have been running with ‘The Greatest Journey’ programme, it has brought new life, it has brought a new lease of excitement and long term spiritual impact as we share lovingly with them, the Good News of Jesus Christ.”** Bishop Chali - Lusaka, Zambia.



**How to take part** - You and your church still have time to bless a child with a life-changing shoebox gift this year! With the challenge of Covid-19 this year, we have created a fun, safe and simple way for you to pack a shoebox gift and impact a child's life!

Visit [www.shoeboxonline.org.uk](http://www.shoeboxonline.org.uk) (before Christmas Eve 2020) to choose your items, write a loving message, add a picture of yourself and we will pack your box and send it to a child for you! Every shoebox blesses - Thank you!

**“Such a great way to involve your own children in a fun and engaging activity that impacts the giver as much as the receiver. I love packing an OCC shoebox as it demonstrates the love of Christ to those most in need and has such a massive impact all around the world!”**

*Rachelle Peart, Children's Ministry Coordinator, NTCG – Northampton*

# GREAT EXPECTATIONS

## A MESSAGE FROM REV MARCEL SIMPSON



Greetings to all our pastors and leaders – thank you for your continued support and prayers. Special greetings to all our youth leaders and a massive thank you for your commitment to our children and young people and the work you do with them. I save

the biggest greeting for our children and young people, I am so proud of you and the way you have continued in your faith in the midst of the many challenges you are facing – may the Lord Jesus continue to bless, keep and direct your path, as you put all your trust in him. I pray that you and your families are all well and safe by the grace of God.

We are in the season of expectations. Normally children and young people are looking forward to what presents their parents, godparents and other family members have got for them [and yes many are still looking forward]. I'm not sure how normal this will be for everyone during this season, but I'd like to encourage you all to continue to have Great Expectations. Not so much in the presents that we are used to receiving, but rather in the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. For you see, more than two thousand years ago the people of Israel were in turmoil, they too were waiting with great expectations for the birth of the Messiah; and while they waited, they experienced invasions, famines, plagues and tyrants among other challenges. But one glorious night in Bethlehem, somewhere between where the horses and the cows would lay, Messiah was born and the promise became a reality. Can you imagine the joy that filled the hearts of the people who had been waiting all this time? St. Luke chapter 2 tells us that there was an old man named Simeon who upon receiving knowledge from God that Messiah was here, was so happy that he

told God he was ready to die because he had seen the promise fulfilled.

Youth leaders, children, young people...we must continue to have Great Expectations for the return of Jesus Christ just as he promised. In parts of our culture people don't take promises very well and it is often said that a promise is a comfort to a fool. There are some who subscribe to the imaginary book of Second Hesitations and believe that blessed are they who have no expectations for they will never be disappointed. However, I'd like to remind you that anyone who trusts in the Lord will never be disappointed [Rom 10:11] and though this year has been filled with sicknesses, disease, death, loneliness and other tumultuous events, we must continue to look forward and live as though we expect the Lord Jesus to return.

We are reminded in Acts 1:11...

**"...this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go to heaven"**

ACTS 1: 11

Let this season serve as a reminder and an encouragement to us that God keeps his promises – Jesus was promised to Israel as a saviour and he was duly delivered as a babe in a manger; likewise he is promised to us, to return as Lord and King and we should continue to live with the expectation that he will.

May the Lord bless and keep you, may he cause his face to shine upon you and may he give you and your family peace at this time, and may you continue to hope in him and expect for him to return just as he has promised.



# MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the Lord Jesus Christ  
grant you peace and renew your strength  
for the years ahead!



# ENGINE ROOM: NTCG NATIONAL PRAYER STRATEGY

Much has been written about prayer over the centuries. Our Supreme Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ told the people of His day “that men ought always to pray, and not to faint” (Luke 18:1)

Charles Spurgeon said, “True prayer is neither a mere mental exercise nor a vocal performance. It is far deeper than that - it is spiritual transaction with the Creator of Heaven and Earth.”

God promises us in His Word that He hears every word that we pray to Him. Like a good parent, He is waiting, ready, and willing to listen to our worries, concerns, and needs. Whether we are seeking forgiveness, strength, or healing, prayer provides the channel to communicate with God and receive supernatural strength and power.

Mother Teresa said, God shapes the world by prayer. The more praying there is in the world the better the world will be, the mightier the forces against evil.”

In 2014 Bishop Donald Bolt was installed as the Administrative Bishop. At the helm of his vision Mission and Ministry Christ Centred (MMCC) was a prayer strategy which he named the Engine Room. The word engine is defined as “a machine with moving parts that converts power into motion”. Bishop Bolt recognised that in order for the vision “Mission and Ministry Christ Centred” to be realised Constant prayer would be critical in mobilising the church to move in power and authority - a divinely-inspired strategy that would render null and void the works of the devil every time. There was cognizant of the fact that “the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds.” (2 Corinthians 10:4). These spiritual armours have been provided by God and are at our disposals. They are both offensive and defensive weapons and they were corporately wielded in the realm of the spirit on a monthly basis when two/three districts of churches were invited to attend Engine Room at the church’s National Office to pray.

Godly Vision: Politicians, Governments around the world, Local, National, Worldwide Leaders

Divine Favour for: Finances, Businesses, Churches, Homes, Job security, Economic growth

Everyone knew the focus of the prayers. All in attendance joined in fellowship after the prayer sessions. However, due to various constraints some people were unable to attend the Engine Room

sessions at the National Office. Then came the pandemic – COVID 19. Billy Graham said, “The Christian life is not a constant high. I have my moments of deep discouragement. I have to go to God in prayer with tears in my eyes, and say, ‘O God, forgive me,’ or ‘Help me.’” People were crying out to God for help against an invisible disease that was ravaging the world, nations, and by extension, families. In an unprecedented, divinely orchestrated motion, Engine Room moved to a new platform – on Zoom. This time it could be broadcast into everyone’s home. So far four sessions have been held using this medium. The attendance has increased exponentially – over 200 of God’s people joining in prayer on the second Wednesday of each month.

As I muse upon this divinely-inspired strategy, there is a clear realisation that our Omniscent (all knowing) God went before and ensured this prayer initiative was put in place long before any one even dream of Pandemic God orchestrated the plan for the engine room. The Engine Room is now the only NTCG National activity that is taking place on a regular (monthly) basis.

The last session for this year will be held on Wednesday, 9th December on ZOOM. Engine room will continue via Zoom for 2021, this will allow more people to participate and it will also be more cost effective, both for those attending as well as the Churches.

**By Rev Hadassah Radway Pastor of NTCG Bath**

**THE ENGINE ROOM 2021**

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**NOW ON ZOOM**

THE ENGINE ROOM is a national prayer strategy designed to underpin the mission and ministry of the New Testament Church of God at national, district and local levels. During these sessions, prayers are offered for a wide range of needs as well as thanksgiving for all God has done and will continue to do in the lives of his people.

Dr. Donald Bolt - Administrative Bishop

**IN THE ENGINE ROOM WE STAND IN THE GAP AND MAKE INTERCESSIONS FOR:**

- Marriages and families
- Nations and World Leaders
- Persecuted Christians
- People suffering as a result of natural or man-made disasters and crises
- Politicians and Governments around the world
- The victims of terrorist attacks
- Those who are sick and various other needs

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WED 9 JUNE	WED 8 DECEMBER

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