

## December 2017 UK, Australia

The *Bible Companion* readings for this Sunday include 1 Peter 2 and there is an MP3 file about this at <http://www.christadelphia.net/audio/1pet2.mp3>

You can see the archives of our MP3 files at <http://christadelphia.net/audio.htm> and on iTunes at <https://itunes.apple.com/ca/podcast/christadelphian-bible-talks/id987163468>

Download the *NEV Bible* with commentary and *Bible Companion* bookmarks at <http://n-e-v.info/NEVBIBLE.pdf>

### UK

We have had a few hundred requests for Bibles as a result of the adverts on London buses, and this week we met up with several of them. Folks are really reading the Bibles sent and also our commentary on each chapter and the *Bible Basics* at the end of the volume. Some prefer to remain in the churches they attend, others, previously unchurched, are thinking of baptism. Please pray for Lynda and Manuel, who both pulled out of baptism this week because their partners were against them doing it.

There was a fair splash on social media as a result of the London bus adverts. CHRIS in Yorkshire saw this and then watched a video on YouTube of the buses with our adverts, and decided he too could apply for one. He had been raised in a Christadelphian Sunday School but wasn't baptized, and then later in life had found no comfortable place to attend because of his non-Trinitarian beliefs. He pulled out of religion, but was then drawn back to the need for the Lord Jesus after a bereavement. So he decided to ask for our Bible with commentary, and was delighted to find us again. So it was with joy that we baptized him this week:



We mentioned before the baptism of our zealous brother Mo as a result of the bus adverts. He distributes our literature on the streets of Croydon on his way back from work each day, and is so enthusiastic for the doctrines of the Truth. He works as a schoolteacher, and got chatting with a labourer in the kitchen, LEE, whom he meets up with regularly and we're pleased also to report his baptism. Lee is just so happy to have found the good news... when previously he was just without God at all in this secular world. They're a great couple. The educated black schoolteacher and the white labouring man; let's face it, we live in a racial society, and it is only the power of the Gospel which breaks down these barriers. Here they are wearing our *Carelinks* "Free Bibles" visibility vests, distributing the *NEV New Testaments* on the streets of Croydon, to the Christmas shoppers [on a freezing day]:



Thanks to your generosity, we reprinted the *NEV New Testaments* [let us know if you need any]. But they were delivered into Marcus's garage and needed shifting into the storage sheds. We had a truly wonderful time doing this, with Lee and Mo helping, along with brother Emmanuel and our local sisters. We formed a human chain to pass the boxes of Bibles along to get them into the sheds and onto the shelving. It was a real triumph of the Gospel, uniting believers from **Poland, South Africa, UK, Ghana** and **Nigeria** who all ended up living in **South London**; and now working together in sending forth His word. It was just such a joy working together, and

good to have brother Marcus with us directing operations; you can see brother Lee handing the boxes of Bibles out of the garage:



There's a brief video of it at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cB90gsNAg\\_U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cB90gsNAg_U)

Afterwards we broke bread together at house church, and went into the center of Croydon to distribute more New Testaments.

Our *UK Carelinks* conference is in **Croydon** in the usual venue *last Saturday of February 2018*, God willing; do come along and meet some of these wonderful people and hear their testimonies live.

There is a very busy tramline in South London, going from Wimbledon to Addington through Croydon, hence it's called "*The Croydon Tram*". We'd just love to advertise free Bibles inside those tram cars. The bus adverts showed that working class commuters are not disinterested; and as they sit on their journey to work, about everyone's playing with their phones. They can get the material and read it online, and easily order a hard copy if they want.

*So we come cap in hand again in case any could donate towards the cost of around **3500 GBP** for an advertising campaign [the cheapest modules and duration they have] on the Croydon Trams.*

With sunset at 4 PM in the evenings, outside advertising in Winter doesn't seem a great idea. But within the trams on lighted panels with commuters looking at them, smartphones in hand for 30 minutes... seems a good idea. The adverts would look like this [this is not our "*Get a free Bible*" ad, just an example of an advert on the tram]:



You can donate through the usual channels, with PayPal to [tiybible@yahoo.com](mailto:tiybible@yahoo.com)

## **AUSTRALIA**

We'll be travelling a fair bit in Australia the next 3 weeks God willing; let us know if you have any contacts we can assist in any way.

Our Australian conference will be held in **Brisbane** on Sunday 10 December God willing at 1:30 PM, the breaking of bread meeting will be at 11 a.m.

All welcome to hear updates of the Lord's hand at work around the world today, and to consider how we might extend His work in Australia.

*Logan ecclesia* meet in The Library, Mabel Park State High School, 72 Paradise Rd, **SLACKS CREEK** <http://www.qldmembers.com/logan.html>

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## **PRAYER POINTS:**

- For those baptized
- For the tram adverts initiative
- For our outreach in Australia
- For all the people whom brothers Mo and Lee are reaching out to on the streets of Croydon
- For brother Daniel as he continues to manage the meetings in Riga, **Latvia**, as well as for the feeding scheme there

**With love from your brothers and sisters of Carelinks**