

Gospel Arts Manna Newsletter

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Welcome to Gospel Arts Manna

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Welcome to the first issue of the Gospel Arts Manna (International) Newsletter.

In this issue we want to let you know who we are, what our focus is and what we would like to be doing over the next few weeks.

As you read, you will not only gain insight into our vision but we would like you to choose to be a part of our venture, especially if you are an active Christian Artiste.

If you will feel that this project is just what is needed and could be just for you, please visit our website to find out how you can be involved in Gospel Arts Manna.

If you have any questions then please feel free to contact us by sending an email to: info@gospelmanna.com.

Blessings

Susan Watt

Managing Secretary.



The Gospel Arts Manna Team

Well, who are the team members behind this venture?

Managing Chair - Ms Maureen Robinson, Christian Aid Worker with the black churches in the inner city of Bristol.

Managing Secretary - Mrs Susan Watt, Admin Secretary and Radio Production Trainer for five local Christian Radio Stations.

Managing Treasurer - Mrs Caroline Kamara, Pharmaceuticals Worker.

Advisory Member - Mrs Deborah St Cyr, Secondary School Teacher and Director for the Dinner Time Charity.

Advisory Member - Mr Kevin Philemon - Music Technology & Radio Production Tutor at CEED Media.

Advisory Member—Ms Vivienne Evers - Secretary & new children story writer

Advisory Member - Mr Gordon Smith, Transport Director and Youth Leader in the Caribbean.

Team Members:

- Maureen Robinson
- Susan Watt
- Caroline Kamara
- Kevin Philemon
- Deborah St Cyr
- Vivienne Evers
- Gordon Smith

The Beginnings



Gospel Arts Manna is part of the Gospel Manna Society. The Arts Manna was set up in April 2003 in response to churches' need to communicate their fund-raising events to other similar interested parties. It was also established in recognition that many churches have ne-

glected works of art (usually items made for special events like nativity, anniversary or Easter celebrations) that once finished with, often get discarded.

Gospel Arts Manna is also a resource centre with a comprehensive database and training packs for radio presenters and producers. There

is also an arts directory on sale.

The third reason why Gospel Arts Manna was set up is to promote all Christian artistes whatever their genre so that many other groups can benefit from their services.

Community Gospel Choir

Gospel Choir
Voice Training
Sight-Singing
Compose Your Own Music

Clive de Silva is talented and willing to teach his skills to anyone wishing to learn to sing gospel music.

Signing up for one of Clive's classes means that not only will you learn to sing but you will learn:

how to sight-sing, how to understand written music and how to compose, with some voice training thrown in.

This strong theoretical background will help to maximise your understanding of

the true Spirit behind Gospel music. It is hoped that you will be able to nurture this ministry in a way that will be a blessing to many others. Visit our taster session; see 'What's On' page 4.

ARMK fm Local Radio



Milton Keynes Local
Christian Radio is back

ARMK is currently running an internet-only service which is reaching many countries around the globe. However, Mike Johnson is still pushing out the boundaries; with effect from the 16 December 07 through to the 13 January 08, ARMK will be back on

the radio with a 28 day Restricted Service License (RSL) of new programming, specially designed for the local community and will later be streamed through the internet so that if you are not local to the Milton Keynes area, you will not be left out. The

studio will be given a new look with modern equipment and new presenters bringing fresh content to the show. For further information telephone 07711 877182 or email mike.johnson@talktalk.net.

Going International

Gospel Arts Manna now has to re-think strategies for its newly acquired international status.

The purchase of a site in the Caribbean is being seen as a marvelous opportunity to open the project out across the waters.

Grenada is still a majority Christian country and it has exciting youth ministries in many of its

churches. Since the hurricane, Grenada has been working hard to rebuild not only their homes but also new businesses coming to the island. The residents are also determined to build better than before, in fact new legislation from the government has made it imperative for new builds to implement a number of new recom-

mendations to lessen future risks of hurricane damage.

This is a wonderful blessing & helps pave the way for the UK branch.

So continue with your valuable prayers and watch this space.



Community Gospel Drama

Mark Grey has been writing and performing in plays for over 20 years. He is no stranger to Watford; his most recent play 'The Sound of Sirens' was performed at the Pump House Theatre in Watford during April 2006. Mark

also teaches at one of Watford's local schools and is happy to bring this wealth of performance skills to Watford's local community.

In his classes you will learn to perform both speech and drama, you will learn the difference between acting

for the stage and acting for screen.

You will also learn how to write for television, stage and radio.

Come along to our taster session, see 'What's On' page 4 for further info.

Mark Grey
Speech and Drama
Dramatic Arts
Stage & Screen

GAM Caribbean Project

A new project is under way to build a Christian Art Centre in the Caribbean.

We welcome your ideas for the building's planning and will aim to have plans submitted by Autumn 2007.

It is then planned for building to commence in February 2008 God willing.

The site is based in the country part of the island, making it a quiet place to retreat to.

We indeed have a lot to thank God for, especially

for the prayers of those who have been petitioning on our behalf over the last three and a half years.



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GAM Mission Statement

We, the founders, seek to be led primarily by the Holy Spirit and have found the following statement accurately describes our current mission for Gospel Arts Manna:

- To assist Christian Artists in carrying out 'The Great Commission'.
- To cultivate greater respect and appreciation for Christian Art.
- To assess possible training, skill and tools needed by members.
- To promote members' artistic goods & services subject to approval.
- To establish an effective database for Christian Artists.
- To support new artists in establishing their artistic ministry.
- To open doors for members who wish to minister abroad.
- To highlight the benefits of artistic spiritual food.
- To increase vocational activities.

What's On?

1. Come along to our first bi-monthly Network Program at The Bowl Restaurant on St Albans Road in Watford, Herts. Here you can meet our team and other Christian artistes around the area. The date for this event is Sunday, 18 February at 2pm and the cost is £7 per head for your meal.

2. Our next network program will be held at The Ganges Restaurant on Gloucester Road, in Horfield, Bristol. The date for this event is Sunday, 29 April 07 at 2pm.

3. The following network program will be held in London on Sunday, 24 June 07 at 2pm. Watch this space for further information.

4. Join our Community Gospel Choir on Tuesday evenings at 19:30 at the Stanborough Centre, 609 St Albans Road, Garston, Watford, Herts. WD25 9JL. Taster class is on Tuesday, 6 March.

5. Join our Community Gospel Drama classes on Tuesday evenings at 19:30 at the Stanborough Centre, 609 St Albans Road,

Garston, Watford, Herts. WD25 9JL. Taster class is also on Tuesday 6 March.

6. If you wish to be trained in either of these workshops or wish to have private training, come along and speak with our trainers who will arrange classes for your requirements.

7. Gospel Arts Manna celebrates 07/07/07! Make sure you are a part of this Blessed Day Gospel Extravaganza!

