

The British-Israel-World Federation NEWSLETTER

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Our Focus for 2017 by the President

The Proclamation of Freedom from the EU

THE year 2016 was one of great thankfulness to Almighty God over the result of the EU Referendum vote on 23 June. We always knew that one day the command of the LORD to His Israel people in the Appointed Isles to “*Come out of her, My people*” would take place. As the campaign developed there was a growing sense that millions were heartily sick of the European Union after 44 years of deception and betrayal and all it was doing to undermine the sovereignty of the Realm.

The High Court ruling of 3 November against the Government over Article 50 may now prove highly significant. The Government is appealing to The Supreme Court. All 11 judges considered the ruling of the lower court over four days from 5 to 8 December 2016. The 1662 *Book of Common Prayer* Lessons for 5 December include the entire chapter of *Isaiah 28* where the “*covenant with death*” is “*disannulled.*” On 14 November we sent in a legal submission to the Justices of The Supreme Court, setting out the constitutional context

that Britain is not part of the EU *at law* and the spiritual and temporal law under Almighty God. A decision is awaited early in the New Year.

The Referendum result of 72.2% of the British Electorate on 23 June, 2016, was an instruction to **restore the status quo and bring constitutional legality back into the due state of ‘The Queen-in-Parliament.’** This is now required to be implemented forthwith by the executive and no delay should be entertained.

The British Constitution is a unique tapestry of the spiritual and temporal law under Almighty God. The 37th Article of the 39 Articles of Religion of the Established Church, of which The Queen is Supreme Governor, reads:

“The King’s Majesty hath the chief power in this Realm of England, and his other Dominions, unto whom the chief Government of all estates of this Realm, whether they be Ecclesiastical or Civil, in all causes doth appertain, and is not, nor ought to be, subject to any foreign Jurisdiction.”

The next two years of negotiation by the Government’s Brexit team to untangle all the thousands of trade agreements will require continual vigilance and prayer that this United Kingdom will emerge by the Spring of 2019, like Jonah from the EU “belly of hell.” Whitehall is working on more than 500 Brexit-related projects and could need to hire many thousands of extra civil servants. It is a massive task.

In prophetic analogy, associated with the Exodus from Egypt by our forebears, we are certainly going to become subject to the sounds of Pharaoh’s chariots racing to bring us back into the bondage of captivity in the EU. Calls for a second Referendum are already being heard from some quarters of the House of Commons by those who want to remain in spiritual Egypt. Of course from within the EU itself it is being said that Britain might still reverse its decision to leave the organization.

These sounds are aimed at delaying the Brexit process and to strike fear into the minds of our people of what life outside the EU will be like, ac-

ording to them. We may even get to a Red Sea crisis experience before Almighty God opens up a pathway in the waters for us to go forward into the restored relationship with the *true Israel Commonwealth of Nations*.

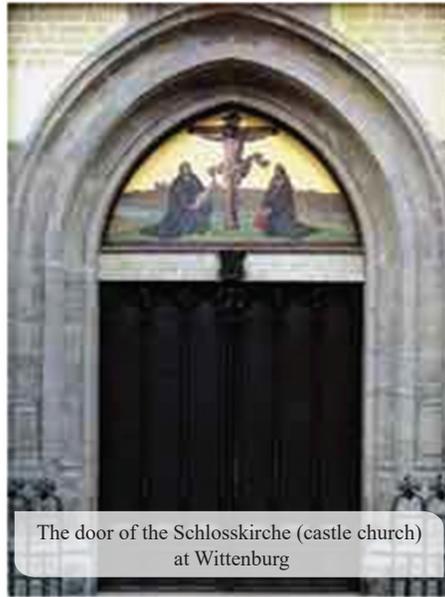
The British Lion's Apparent Death

The great British lion has appeared dead while we have been in the EU and has been mourned worldwide by those countries that formerly looked to us for leadership. The people of these lands have suffered greatly and whole countries have been stricken by war and famine.

The lion is the King of Beasts, and also the emblem of Judah, the royal house. Jesus is called 'The Lion of the Tribe of Judah' and He triumphed over the grave. In the allegorical stories *The Chronicles of Narnia* by C S Lewis the lion, Aslan, was sacrificed and brought unexpectedly back to life to defeat all his enemies. Similarly, rejoicing over the current state of Great Britain is premature.

Our present state of apparent death is not the end of the story, for as we read, the enemies of the Kingdom could not destroy or bury the bodies and "*the Spirit of life from God entered into them [again], and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them*" (*Revelation 11:11*). A new watershed is with us in 2017. It is time to "*wake up the mighty men*" (*Joel 3:9*) having marked the centenary of the sacrifice of millions for freedom in the Great War of 1914-18.

Our Kingdom Foundation series of free issue booklets and publicity



sheets were distributed widely before the Referendum. They remain available and will continue to be highly relevant, especially booklets Nos. 5, 6 and 7, which are aimed at those new to the Kingdom teaching.

The 500th anniversary of the Reformation

It is undoubtedly of great significance for the Kingdom teaching that 2017 will mark the 500th anniversary of Reformation Day when Martin Luther nailed his *95 Theses* to the door of the *Schlosskirche* (castle church) at Wittenburg on 31 October, 1517, the event which sparked the Protestant Reformation. Within two weeks, copies of the theses had spread throughout Germany and within two months throughout Europe.

Five hundred years is 10 x 50 years, 50 being the number of Jubilee release. Thus can we expect a new period of awakening to the Kingdom teaching as people seek an explanation for the way that Great Britain,

the United States of America and other Israel nations on the European Continent break out from the bondage of the European Union.

There is also the highly significant prophetic factor that 2018 will be **1,260 solar years** from AD 758 when Pope Paul I became a temporal pope, which marks the set time limit for papal domination (*Revelation 11:3*) as foreseen by Rev Robert Fleming in his work *The Rise and Fall of Rome Papal* (page 20), published as long ago as 1701! This is very interesting as from when Article 50 is triggered, there is a two-year timetable to reach agreement. The Prime Minister, Theresa May, has promised to begin this process before the end of March this year which will take us to the Spring of 2019.

The foundations of our great nation must be restored. Let us look at them anew and indeed "*unto the rock from whence we were hewn*" (*Isaiah 51:5*), as the people of *The Faith*, inheritors of a unique constitutional freedom and of a destiny with global dimensions. Our imperative at this hour is not only for a great debate, but for a great alliance to restore the British way of life in the company of covenant nations.

We have the message for the hour. It is the **Elijah** message which will turn the "*heart of the children to their fathers*" (*Malachi 4:6*). Resisted and neglected for decades by Bible-believing Christians (they have no concept of what they have turned away from) they will come in great numbers to seek the oil of understanding. Let us trim our lamps for the exciting days to come.

BIWF SUMMER CONVENTION - 17 to 22 July 2017
BIWF 98th ANNUAL CONGRESS - 6 to 9 October 2017

The U.S. Presidential Election Result

The result of the United States Presidential Election was dramatic and confirms that the Spirit of the Lord is moving to revive the covenant nations of Joseph's sons and their prophetic descendants who were to grow into a powerful multitude as a "a nation and a company of nations" (*Genesis 35:11; 48:5-22*).

Great Britain and the United States of America are brother nations descendant from Joseph (*who was given a double portion through his sons Ephraim-Britain and Manasseh-USA, the 13th tribe – note how 13 features in USA history*) who had the **Birthright** (*the Church ignores this fact concentrating only on the Royal line of the Messiah and the tribe of Judah*) from Jacob – this is why we have a Special Relationship and why we experience important national change together. The number 70 is the number of determination for 'Jerusalem' now in London and Washington, the name meaning the 'foundation (or city) of peace.' This is why dramatic political change happens in our brother nations around every 70 years, i.e. 1945-46 to 2015-16.

Samson (then blind) was the 13th and last judge in Israel. He was not the most moral person (perhaps like Donald Trump in earlier life), but his strength overturned corruption. If Donald Trump as president tackles the US\$20 trillion national

debt, he may initiate a new order of things – the young lad that guided Samson to the twin columns in the Temple of Dagon represents the new order of things, a precursor that was evident by the destruction of the twin towers on 9/11 in 2001.

The 8 November U.S. election date was 60 years *to the day* from the end of the Anglo-French Suez Operation after President Eisenhower's threat to use U.S. economic power against Britain. Interestingly Donald Trump has been speaking about reducing U.S. economic support to NATO. It is 2 x 30 years from 1956, 30 being significant of the right moment. This will increase economic pressures in the EU and eventually collapse the euro zone, so fulfilling *Revelation 18*. Italy may exit first?

In biblical numerical terms the number two hundred stamps various things with **insufficiency**. The implication is that something more is expected to achieve true completion. In *John 6:7* we read: "Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them." Also in *Joshua 7:21* Achan's two hundred shekels were not sufficient to save him from the consequences of his sin. This shows us the insufficiency of money as debt – *and gold itself*.

When Christ came into Jerusalem he overturned the tables of the moneychangers. In Britain servicing our national debt alone is a larger sum than the defence budget! We

are not cancelling debt in the 7th and 50th year of biblical cycles – nevertheless this still happens despite the political and vested interests, through the pressure of events.

It is not generally known that 97% of all money is created by the banks as debt-finance. It is a grip of death – perhaps not for much longer?

On 23-24 June, 2016, gold was trading at **\$1260** – the number in Scripture linked to tribulation. Significantly it soared through **\$1335** per troy ounce, significant of finality yet conversely, also of blessing, hitting \$1350 as it became clear that Britain had voted to leave the European Union. Before 23 June, 1,000 economists were, in effect, threatening the British people that they must bow down to the EU-Babylon's 'image of gold' or suffer a **fiery furnace** of affliction. This threat can hold no fear for the United Kingdom, for one 'like the Son of God' will stand with us as the euro zone self-destructs (*Daniel 3:25; 12:12; Revelation 18:4*).

In this resurgent dominance of the USA, let us prepare for the return of the Samson-like strength of the world's only superpower whose *seven* locks of hair have grown again, now that the 'seven times' chastisement, or 2,520 years of chastisement for the Kingdom People of Israel have expired.

HM THE QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY

The President Michael Clark opened the rally held at Headquarters on Saturday 4 June 2016 to celebrate the 90th birthday of HM The Queen. He warmly welcomed all those who were able to attend this happy event and brought greetings from our new patron, Lady Sara Allenby. There were greetings too from absent friends and from our General Secretary David Aimer who was unable to come because of illness.

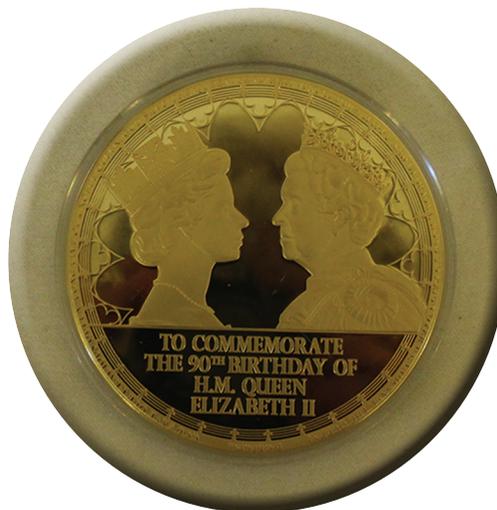
After singing the National Anthem Mr Clark spoke on *Marking the Life of Her Majesty The Queen* who is

now the longest reigning monarch in British history. He referred to II Kings 18 and King Hezekiah of Judah in this most interesting address.

There was a celebratory buffet lunch and then Martin Lightfoot gave a presentation on *The Roots of the British Monarchy* looking all the way back to their Hebrew origins. Michael Clark led a short time of *Prayers for the Nation* and then following a short break for refreshments there was a *Royal Quiz* devised and taken by Kathleen Gage. The quiz was won by Ann Walton and her prize was a book called *The Wicked Wit of Queen Elizabeth II*, a very fascinating and intriguing title.

Everyone was encouraged to take a copy of *The Servant Queen and the King She Serves* which is a book published by HOPE in partnership with Bible Society and the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity presenting Queen Elizabeth's faith and service throughout her long reign. It has been very popular this year and over a million copies have been distributed nationwide.

The day was closed by Michael Clark with thanks to all who came to make a success of the day and the Israel blessing from *Numbers 6*.



DID YOU KNOW

The King James Bible refers to Damascus 45 times in the Old Testament and 15 in the New.

In the Middle Ages, Damascus was a major point on the silk road from Asia and gave the name to the woven fibres known as damask.

A UNIQUE INFORMATION CAMPAIGN

In the run up to the Referendum with the decision to remain or leave the European Union we launched our own unique information campaign to bring out the real *constitutional* and *spiritual* factors that have been ignored in Church and the State for decades. Ten *free issue* booklets were made available aimed at awakening the British people to the constitutional illegalities over Britain's EU membership which for over 40 years robbed them of their ancient freedoms.

Powerful developments have been undermining the integrity of the unique British culture which formed the foundation of Christian civilization in the world, leading to increasing multicultural pressures within the physical constraints of the British Isles. The Christian British family have no need to

fear a future under fully restored relations with the Commonwealth of covenant nations.

To protect and preserve British traditional culture, faith and values, we cannot do without *true* Christianity. Not only has Christianity been part of them since time immemorial but also they cannot continue their existence without it.

The first six booklets are published under the main titles of **The Foundations of the Nation Must be Restored** and **The Integrity of British Culture & Faith Must be Conserved**, plus a seventh entitled **The Many Nations of Israel**, all defined by the following sub-titles:

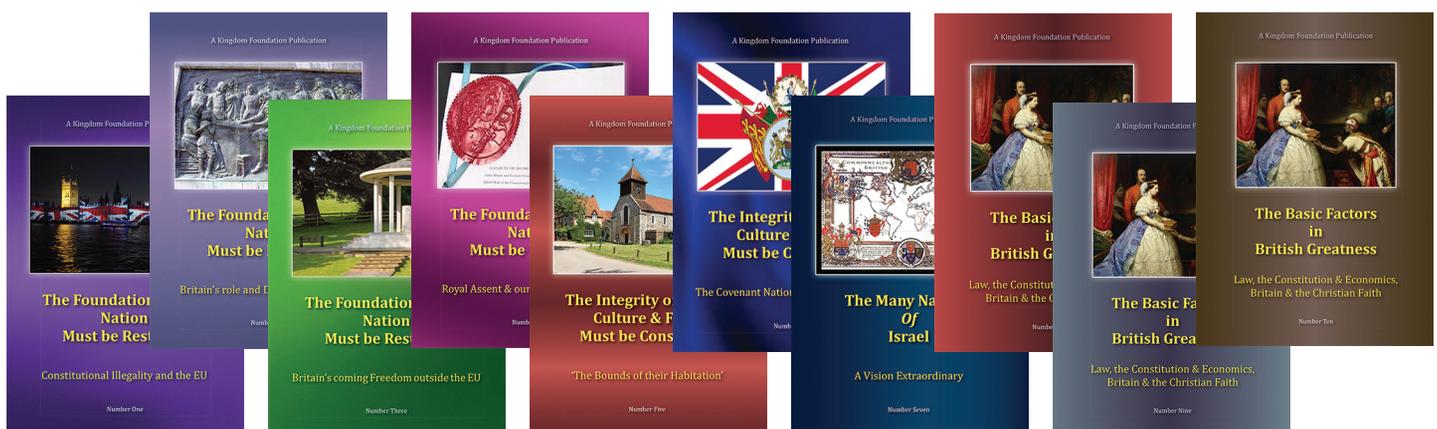
1. Constitutional Illegality and the EU
2. Britain's role and Destiny after the EU

3. Britain's coming Freedom outside the EU
4. Royal Assent & our Laws and Customs
5. 'The Bounds of their Habitation'
6. The Covenant Nations – a Natural Union
7. The Many Nations of Israel – A Vision Extraordinary

The remaining three booklets are published as three parts of a revised outstanding informative work, *The Basic Factors in British Greatness*, first published in January 1963, (after Charles de Gaulle vetoed Britain's entry into the *then* EEC), under the sub-titles:

8. Law & the Constitution
9. Economics
10. Britain & the Christian Faith

A series of free booklets for the British people leaving the EU



Copies are still available on request from 'The Kingdom Foundation' at Headquarters address. Contributions towards postage and multiple copies are gratefully received.

SUMMER CONVENTION

There was a very happy mood of great rejoicing as everyone gathered for the Welcome Meeting on the first evening of the Summer Convention this year. Only three and a half weeks had passed since the nation had voted to leave the European Union and it was a great delight to be among everyone united in pleasure at the result. The theme of *The Foundations of the Nation must be Restored* fitted very well with the sense that there is a new beginning for our people and much to be done to bring us back to the faith and the ways of our forefathers.

Once again there were speakers from around the covenant nations. There was a return visit from Andrew Adams, President of BIWF Auckland, New Zealand and first visits from Brooks Alden, Association of Covenant People, Vancouver, Canada and Henry Jackson from Zimbabwe-Rhodesia. They were introduced by Michael Clark, President, at the Welcome Meeting when he also brought greetings from absent friends and spoke of Ivy Jolliffe who passed away earlier in the year (see Obituaries). David Aimer,

General Secretary, promoted the bookstall with several new titles from Covenant Publishing and John Hardwick was invited to give his testimony. The evening concluded with the Epilogue given by Ernest Gage, Chairman of the Board of Management, on 'Patience.'

The programme continued with the usual practice of early morning prayer in the side room followed by Morning Devotions in the main hall. This year they were given by Ken Brack, Norman Pearson, Frank Tebbutt and Philippa Clark. The lecture series was opened on Tuesday morning by Alfred Brown with 'The Generation Gap' in which he talked about the sovereignty and power of God in creation.

The Annual Meeting was opened by Michael Clark with prayer and then the Statement of Belief. The Minutes of the Annual Meeting 2015 were adopted unanimously and the Annual Report 2015/16 was accepted with no comments or questions. David Aimer presented

the Accounts of BIWF, CPC and Eli Press for 2015/16, again with no comments or questions.

Michael Clark announced that Roger Bradley and Clifford Smyth had been re-elected to the Board of Management unopposed. He then informed the members that Lady Sara Allenby, widow of Viscount Allenby, had agreed to be a patron of the Federation. He completed the business meeting with reading the Loyal Greetings sent to Her Majesty The Queen noting that no reply had yet been received. The National Anthem was sung and Michael Clark closed the meeting.

After lunch Andrew Adams gave his first lecture 'From the Uttermost Part' which was an interesting insight to the situation in New Zealand. Margery Dowling spoke on 'Our Inheritance' and then the evening lecture was the first one from Henry Jackson. He is a pastor and farmer and a long-standing friend of David Aimer. His title 'The Precious Furnace of Affliction' is almost self-explanatory – a powerful description of life for Christians, especially white ones, in Zimbabwe in the recent years.



On Wednesday Michael Bennett, President of British Israel Bible Truth Fellowship, took 'Out of Ur and out of Her' as his theme which fitted extremely well with the theme of the convention and current events. Robert Phillips spoke on 'Is this the Time' and sang his rousing hymn 'I want to see Israel marching' which was much enjoyed by everyone. There was a free period in the afternoon for relaxation and an opportunity to explore the surrounding countryside then David McLure spoke taking the theme of the convention as his title and *Hebrews 2:8* as his text. That evening Brooks Alden gave his first address on 'The Kingdom in History' which was a very interesting study looking at many scriptures, in particular the 'Woes' to the shepherds of Israel in *Ezekiel 34*.

On Thursday Andrew Adams used the theme for his title and brought out the jealous nature of God and the importance of the Covenants, the Cross and the Kingdom in his second lecture. There was a return visit from Edward Spalton, Campaign for an Independent Britain, who was able to rejoice with everyone and led a Q & A session after his talk 'The Referendum and

After' summarising the events of the referendum campaign and the subsequent reaction. After the next free period and tea Henry Jackson gave his second address on 'The Healing of the Heart' which was a very moving testimony to his experiences and how he uses them to help others.

In the evening Michael Clark gave his presidential address on "Brexodus" and towards the New Horizon' which gave a very encouraging view of the future for the nation as well as for the other covenant nations as Britain emerges from the grip of the EU system. 'The Singers' closed the evening with a very enjoyable medley of songs from around the United Kingdom with flags to wave and enthusiastic audience participation. Many thanks are due to Janice Raby, Ann Walton and David McLure who produced this performance with very little time to practise.

The final day began with 'The Hand of God on Queen Elizabeth II' which was the title of Clifford Smyth's lecture. He spoke movingly about the example she has set with her quiet faith and steadfast service to the nation and company of nations over which she reigns. Brooks Alden gave his second lecture on the theme and continued his study of different Kingdom scriptures. The final lecture was given by Martin Lightfoot and was a presentation on 'A Biblical Perspective on Deep Ancestry Genetics' which was an introduction to a very complicated scientific topic. It generated a lively discussion afterwards and there is much to be learned about this subject.

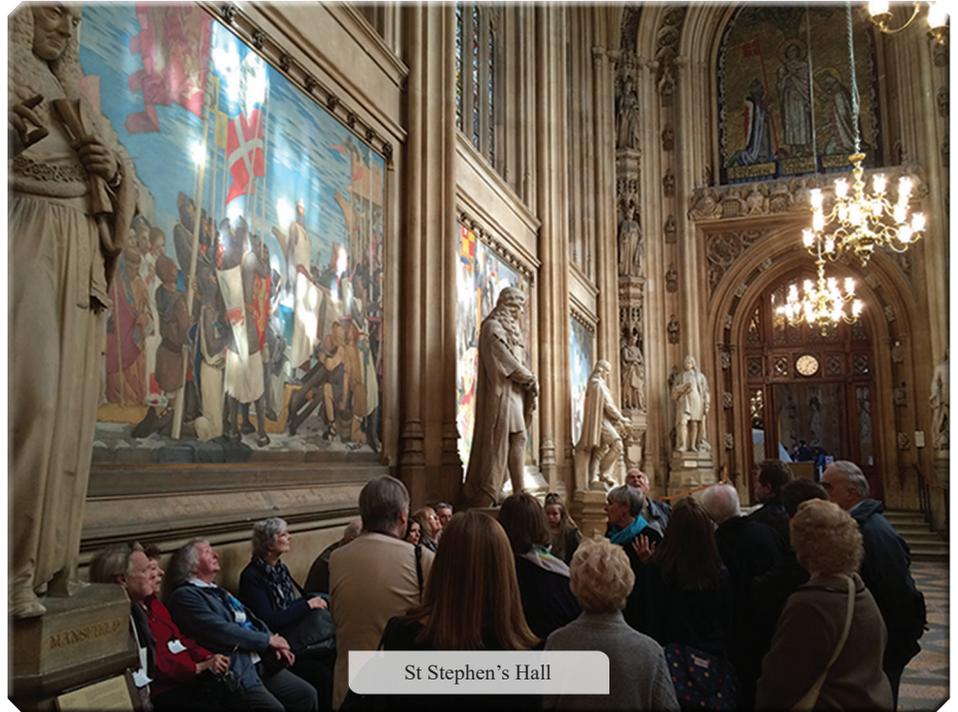
The Covenant Service taken by David Aimer completed the convention and was a fitting end to a very blessed week. Michael Clark closed the convention with thanks to all who came and the Israel Blessing.

Note: all lectures available on DVD from Covenant Publishing.



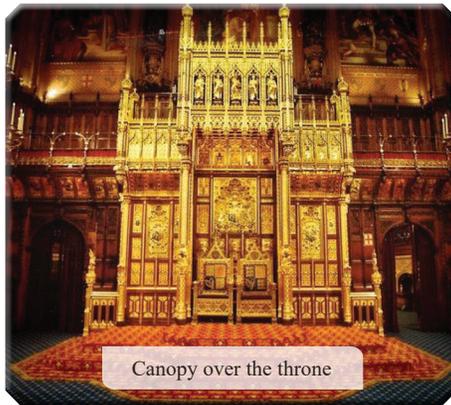
NATIONAL BIBLE COLLEGE

There were four events this year beginning on a lovely spring day on Saturday, 2 April, with a visit to the Houses of Parliament. The group met at Westminster Central Hall for a short talk by Michael Clark on the significance of church and state being so close together on this historic site. He distributed copies of King George VI's speech at the opening of the refurbished House of Commons in 1950 in which the King talks about the close family relationship among the people of the Commonwealth and then everyone walked across to Parliament. There was a full group of 25 on this day – the maximum possible for a booked tour.

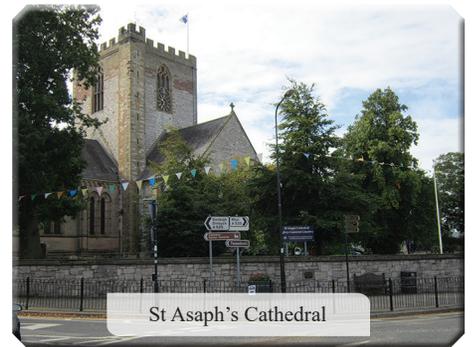


St Stephen's Hall

An official guide had been arranged and it was most interesting to be taken into the robing room where the Queen puts on the Imperial State Crown for the State Opening of Parliament as well as into both Chambers; standing beside the thrones and the canopy representing the 'Queen-in-Parliament' under God in the upper House; being close to the Despatch Box and the stand for the Mace in the lower House;



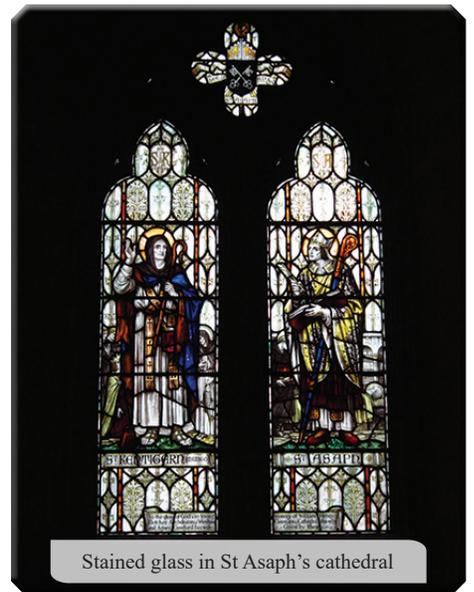
Canopy over the throne



St Asaph's Cathedral



Robing Room



Stained glass in St Asaph's cathedral

EVENTS

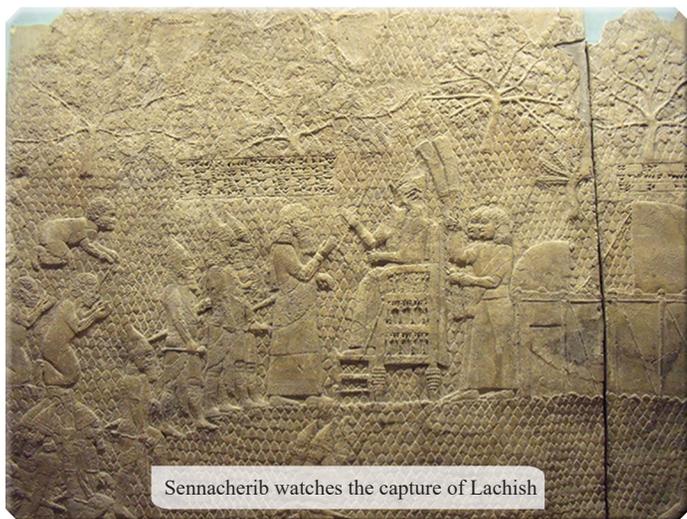
to see the division lobbies and, in particular, to become aware of the strength of the Christian foundation of the Palace of Westminster.

‘Our Christian Heritage at Carlisle Cathedral’ in Cumbria took place successfully on Saturday, 25 June. Frank Tebbutt, BIWF speaker and lay reader in the Church of England, is an official guide at this impressive cathedral. He provided a memorable and detailed tour indicating many fascinating features in the cathedral both of its architecture and its significance as a deeply historic location of Christian worship on the border of Scotland and England.

The guided tour of St. Asaph Cathedral in North Wales was led by one of the local guides on Saturday, 3 September. This Cathedral lies on a very ancient site of Christian worship which dates back to the sixth century and is strongly associated with Kentigern and other early Celtic Christian leaders. The tour was followed by a short illustrated talk entitled ‘The Biblical Heritage of the Cymru People.’

Both of these events were well attended and included some who are relatively new to our Kingdom identity teaching.

The fourth visit on Saturday, 29 October, was a return to the British Museum in London but looking at different aspects of our heritage. This time the focus was on the Israelite occupation of the Holy Land, their mass deportation to Assyria and tracking their changed identity as migrating tribes in Asia and Europe. It is fascinating to see the evidence provided by the wide range of artefacts on display. There was a small and enthusiastic group some of whom returned for a longer look after the tour was over.



Sennacherib watches the capture of Lachish



Inscribed lintel of a rock-cut tomb at Silwan, near Jerusalem. It may be the tomb mentioned in Isaiah 22:15,16



Inside Carlisle Cathedral

97th ANNUAL CONGRESS

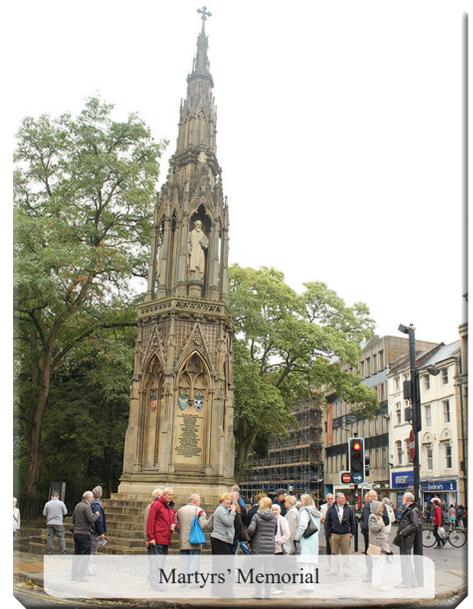
The BIWF Annual Congress returned to Oxford 24 years after the first time it was held there. The Cotswold Lodge Hotel provided very comfortable accommodation and facilities as well as being close enough to the city centre for people to walk to all the colleges and places of interest.

The Welcome Session led by Michael Clark opened the weekend and he then spoke on 'Rebuilding the walls of our Jerusalem' which explored the theme of Congress – 'The Integrity of British Culture & Faith must be Conserved.' The next day Jory Brooks from the Canadian British-Israel Association gave an interesting lecture on his researches which give 'New Light on Dark Texts.' A free period followed and then lunch after which Martin Lightfoot led the group into the city,

gathering first at Martyrs' Memorial in St Giles.

From there he went past the cross in Broad Street on the ground outside Balliol College where Ridley, Latimer and then Cranmer were burned at the stake in the sixteenth century. The next stop was the University Church of St Mary where their trials were held. It was both fascinating and moving to see the pillar inside the church which was cut to support the platform on which Cranmer stood.

The next place was the Bodleian Library and a small exhibition which put modern items beside those of the past drawing connections and links between them. For example, a version of Magna Carta from 1217 beside some items illustrating the Women's Suffrage Movement of



Martyrs' Memorial



Broad Street cross



In the Ashmolean Museum

1911. The curator was very helpful and gave a brief guided tour around the display cases.

The next stop after a walk through the crowds was the Ashmolean Museum where artefacts of the migrations and a very large map made the travels of our forefathers very clear and easy to understand. Martin was able to give only an introduction to all the evidence in the museum. Another more leisurely visit would be necessary to see everything there.

A welcome break for refreshments restored everyone for the final

visit to the City Church of Oxford – St. Michael at the North Gate. It has some very fine stained glass including the window shown here with the scripture ‘In Isaac shall thy seed be blessed.’ There are many interesting things to be seen one of them being the fifteenth century pulpit where John Wesley, founder of Methodism, preached the Michaelmas Day sermon on 29 September 1726. The tower which can be climbed contains the cell door from the Bocardo Prison, which was above the North Gate. This is where the Protestant martyrs, Bishops Latimer and Ridley and Archbishop Cranmer, were held before their deaths in 1555 and 1556. Martin Lightfoot completed the day in the evening with a short presentation on ‘British-Israel in Cranmer’s Prayer Book.’

Morning Worship on Sunday was taken by David Aimer whose sermon topic was ‘Watch the



Pillar in St Mary's Church

Weather’ – a very apt title after the events of this summer around the EU Referendum. Paul Boyd-Lee from the British-Israel Bible Truth Fellowship spoke in the afternoon on the theme of the Congress encouraging the meeting with his description

of events in the light of scripture. The final lecture was given by Jory Brooks who continued his topic from the previous day. Michael Clark closed the weekend in the usual way with thanks to all who came and then the Israel Blessing from *Numbers 6*.



Left panel, ‘In Isaac shall thy seed be blessed’

OBITUARIES

Ivy Ellen Jolliffe, 8 April, 1923 – 3 May, 2016

The life and work of Ivy Jolliffe and her husband, Don, are remembered with much affection by all those who knew them during their long years of faithful service to the Gospel of the Kingdom and to the Federation. The following tribute is an edited version of the address compiled by their children and the family and read at the funeral service.

Ivy was born in Harford Street, Stepney, within the sound of Bow Bells and therefore a true cockney. She was the second of five children and the family lived there with her grandparents, two aunts and a lodger. The house was bombed in 1940, as was the next home and eventually the family settled at a property in Upton Park.

At the age of five, Ivy started at nearby Ben Johnson primary school, where she belonged to the Bluebirds Club and most

evenings from 5pm-7pm she returned to school to take part in dancing, painting and crafts. After passing her 11-plus, Ivy moved to Clapton County Secondary School in Hackney. Ivy did well at secondary school, and after gaining three credits in her General Schools Certificate she left in July 1939, at the age of 16, with her form mistress writing in her final report:

'Ivy has worked very hard and all members of staff speak well of her. We hope she will enjoy business life and will do well.'

From the age of three, Ivy went regularly to Latimer Congregational Church Sunday School in Mile End, where the minister was the Rev L. B. Phillips. It was here that she learnt and came to believe for herself the truths of the gospel contained in the Bible. By the time Ivy went to secondary school she was attending a different activity at the church each evening, including Christian Endeavour, the Prayer Meeting and Choir practice. Ivy recalled singing a solo from Handel's *Messiah* on her 14th birthday in 1937.

The carefree and happy childhood came to an end for everyone with the outbreak of war. Ivy began work as a secretary at an office which had been evacuated to Beaconsfield. The firm was eventually forced to close, but Ivy's minister recommended her for a post in the office of the BIWF at its headquarters in Buckingham Gate, and this marked the beginning of a lifelong involvement. Ivy signed up for the WRNS in July 1943 and was posted to *HMS Vernon* in Hove, where she was trained as an electrician, servicing torpedo pistols at a site known as the Dreadnought garage. Her exercise books still exist, showing detailed wiring diagrams and circuits, and, most usefully, how to prevent a depth-charge from going off during testing. Ivy had further postings in Grimsby, Larne and Portsmouth, before one final move to the Isle of Man, from where she was demobbed in January 1946.

Ivy returned to her former work with the BI and there she met Don Jolliffe, a full-time Bible lecturer. It was soon clear that they were meant for each other and on 14 September 1946 they were married at Woodgrange Baptist Church, Forest Gate. Shortly before the wedding, Don and Ivy were baptised together at the church.

At first the couple lived with Don's sister in Coulsdon, but quite soon Don's work took him into East Anglia, where they bought a house in Schreiber Road, Ipswich, and in September 1948, Graham was born. Although Don was frequently away from home during the week, Ivy fully supported him in his work and continued to do so throughout their married life, running the home, caring for the family, and maintaining a garden wherever they lived. In the early summer of both 1952 and 1953 they undertook a three-month caravan mission for the BI, promoting its work and distributing literature. In February 1953 Don and Ivy helped in the relief effort after the severe flooding along the East Anglian coast.

When Graham was six, life changed



dramatically for them all, with the premature birth, at home, of tiny twins, Margery and Rosemary. By now the family had moved to Campsea Ash, a small village near Wickham Market, in Suffolk, where Don and Ivy became almost self-sufficient with their large garden and orchard.

In May 1962 Don was invited to become the minister of Rendham Congregational Church, still in Suffolk, and the family moved to a manse, newly converted from former stables. Ivy felt a concern for the teenage girls in the village and ran a handicraft class to teach sewing and dressmaking, using the opportunity to speak to them about the Christian faith.

In 1965, life in the country ended when Don's work brought him to the Midlands and the family settled in Browning Rd, Hillmorton, where she lived for the rest of her life. Here Don and Ivy attended the local Methodist Church and Ivy soon became involved with the Girls Brigade, where she gave invaluable help week by week for more than 30 years.

In July 1977, in her early 50s, her life was changed once more, by Don's sudden death at the age of 63. Graham had emigrated to Australia just a few weeks earlier and the girls were pursuing further education, but she faced this challenge with courage and resourcefulness, trusting God to supply all her needs and to give comfort and strength.

She began attending the church at Railway Terrace, Rugby, in the early 1980s, and was a member and regular attendee at the Sunday services and mid-week prayer meetings from then on. She was a Sunday School teacher in the earlier years, and an enthusiastic helper at the Holiday Bible Clubs until she was 90! At the Missionary Working Party she helped to prepare the sacks of clothing which were sent to relieve need overseas. At home she knitted and crocheted squares to make cot blankets, and continued this even after her illness was diagnosed in January this year.

In mid-April, she went back into hospital but never recovered sufficiently to return home, and her long and useful life ended peacefully on Tuesday morning, 3 May. It is hard to believe that our much-loved Mum has gone from us, and she is already greatly missed, but because of her trust in the Lord Jesus Christ and the faith that became hers all those years ago, Mum is now safely at home with her Lord in heaven.

Sally Coulby, 1916 – 2016

Sally Coulby was a B.I. of many years of faith and served the Federation in many ways. She and her husband, Jack, will be primarily remembered for their work as Wardens of Mount Avalon which was the teaching centre in Glastonbury bought with money held in trust from the sale of the training college at Harrow Weald. They took over from the first Warden, Bob Griffiths and developed the garden with vegetables, chickens and beehives. They provided a warm and friendly approach for all those who wanted to stay there for study, recreation and fellowship. In later years she helped with the production of tapes at the Summer Convention and they were both involved with slide presentations as outreach to a wide variety of audiences. She became involved with another B. I. work in Boston Spa in her eighties and no longer had much contact with the Federation. We thank God for her long life of witness and offer our sincere sympathy to her family.

Birmingham Branch

Three members of the Birmingham Branch went to their rewards this year after living long and faithful lives. John Millichamp passed away on 22 January after a short illness at the age of 76. He and his wife, Shirley, had been attending the meetings for two years. Anne Cooper and Betty Morris became friends through St Margaret's Church, Great Barr. Anne had attended the Birmingham meetings for many years with her husband, Keith, and they introduced Betty to the Israel message and to the monthly meetings. Betty was thrilled with hearing the message and spending time in fellowship with the visiting speakers and other members of the Branch.

Anne Cooper passed away on 27 March after several months in hospital and a nursing home, aged 91 years. She had been a faithful member for 18 years with her husband, Keith, and her quiet contribution to the discussions was greatly missed when she became unable to attend meetings. Betty Morris passed away on 24 August after a short illness, aged 89. Her cheerfulness and deep faith shone out of her and she, too, is greatly missed. We praise and thank God for the lives of these His faithful servants in the confidence that they have gone to their rest trusting in their Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and in the hope of the resurrection.

THE CHRISTIAN PROPHETIC WITNESS ESSAY COMPETITION 2016

This new initiative, The Christian Prophetic Witness Essay Competition 2016, was launched at the 96th Annual Congress in 2015 and promoted to all other British-Israel organizations through *The Covenant Nations* (CN) magazine, the BIWF website and by direct contact. The aim was to reach out to young people and to encourage them to find out more about the Gospel of the Kingdom as well as the work of the Federation.

Two worthy winners emerged from this first Competition and their prize winning essays appear on the BIWF website as well as being published in CN magazine.

It has been decided that this Essay Competition will be repeated in 2019. The details will be announced at its launch at the 99th Annual Congress in 2018.

**THE CHRISTIAN PROPHETIC WITNESS
ESSAY COMPETITION 2016**

All interested young people are invited to submit an essay on the following questions set for their age group

19-30 years old:
Write an essay of no more than 3,000 words on
"Does the United Kingdom have a Christian future?"

15-18 years old:
Write an essay of no more than 2,000 words on
"How and when did the Gospel come to the British Isles?"

Please submit your entries to Philippa Clark at:
philippa@britisrael.co.uk

Prizes:
19-30 years old
1st prize: £350.00 and Covenant Publishing books, value £100.00
Runner-up: £150.00 and Covenant Publishing books, value £100.00
15-18 years old
1st prize: £250.00 and Covenant Publishing books, value £50.00
Runner-up: £50.00 and Covenant Publishing books, value £50.00

The winning essays will be published on the BIWF website and in *The Covenant Nations* magazine.

Rules of the competition:

- Entrants must be either 19-30 years old or 15-18 years old on 1 December 2015.
- Closing date for entries: 30 June 2016.
- Judges' decision is final.
- Results to be published on the BIWF website and in *The Covenant Nations* magazine.

RALLIES

Once again the North West Area held its two Rallies: at Wigan on Good Friday, 25 March and at Morecambe from 22-24 April. Robert Phillips and Alfred Brown were the speakers at Wigan. The next month they joined Michael Clark, Norman Pearson, Clifford Smyth, David Aimer, Martin Lightfoot and Margery Dowling in Morecambe for the Rally and the A.G.M. of the NW Area. Bishop John McLean provided Emmanuel Church as the venue for the meetings and led a special service to mark the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at the Evening Service on Sunday, 24 April.

These two events seem to mark the beginning of all the events in the year though Branches in Carlisle, Wigan, Morecambe, Birmingham and Portsmouth begin to meet from early March. The renewed fellowship after the winter months is much appreciated by everyone.



There were three Northern Ireland meetings at the Chimney Corner Hotel again. Alan Stephens from Ulster was a speaker with David Aimer in April. Michael Clark joined Clifford Smyth in September and he was the speaker again with Martin Lightfoot in November.

These meetings are very well supported and sales at the bookstall are very good. There is always a supply of free literature which is popular too. It is encouraging that new people frequently attend and new friendships are made.

SCRAPBOOK



Everyone joined in the celebrations



All sorted - what's next?



Wrapping up at Summer Convention



Commemorating a great victory



Is anyone going to come?



Rejoicing in song and music



What have they seen?

DID YOU KNOW?

All war memorials can correctly be called 'cenotaphs' though the one in Whitehall, London, is often thought to be the only one.

Robert Burns visited Stirling Castle and wrote a poem about its dilapidated state at the time, 1787.

For two centuries from 1300 English embroiderers led Europe in this art form. The needlework was done by both men and women.

Thanks

We would like to thank everybody for his or her contributions this past year. All the organizing of meetings and conferences and all the kind donations, letters and prayers are truly appreciated.

A Form of Bequest to incorporate in Will

To those who may be desirous of assisting the Federation by way of legacies, the following Form of Bequest is recommended to be incorporated in your Will.

I give and bequeath to: **The British-Israel-World Federation**
Charity No: 208079

121 Low Etherley, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 0HA, the sum of £_____ sterling, free of Inheritance Tax, to be paid to the Financial Secretary, for the time being, of the Federation, whose receipt shall be a sufficient discharge for such legacy.

N.B. A legacy need not necessarily be in money; any property may now be given by Will for Charitable purposes.

Donations

For all those who would like to give a portion of their tithe, big or small, as a donation to the Federation; all cheques, order or bank drafts (in sterling for overseas donations) can be made payable to BIWF, and sent to Headquarters at Low Etherley.

Please indicate if you are a UK tax payer so that we can claim the Gift Aid portion from the Inland Revenue.

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