Benediction

May all feast in hope

May all be released from disease & dis-ease

May all celebrate what is good

May all share in the feast of full and abundant life

May all be blessed and be a blessing to many others

And may the Radiant One

Eye of our eyes

Ears of our ear

Heart of our hearts

Mind of our minds

Breath of our breaths

Life of our lives

Soul of our souls

bless us with radiant presence and embrace us with energising love. Amen



This programme was planned and crafted by the Multicultural Event Planning Group:

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Mr David Williams (organist/musician)

Mr Tim Batty (Carrs Lane URC musician)

Revd Nathan Eddy (Master of Ceremonies)



Multicultural Celebration 2011

Saturday 24th September 2011



Keynote Speakers

Mrs. Val Morrison

(Moderator of General Assembly, of the United Reformed Church)

The Revd Nigel Uden

(Minister of St Columba's Cambridge and Fulbourn URC)

Carrs Lane URC, Birmingham B4 7SX 10am - 4pm



Theme Song: 'All in love'

Chorus

Like a pearl from waters deep Like a jewel from a mine This is treasure worth the price All shall be as one

This is what some say cannot be done We take up the call to do God's will People of the world living as one Christ the scars of history can heal

Conflicts and confusion will arise Work to put them right and then we grow See the view from one another's eyes The realm of God among us now

We cannot survive if love is hidden Each of us must give and must receive When we love we do what God has bidden If we do not love, then we deceive

God has stamped this word on all our lives
Every day through love God is revealed
Only as one family we thrive
All in love, our destiny we build

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African Drumming Experience *Drumvoice—Sarah Westwood*

Location Lower meeting Room

Sarah Westwood from Drumvoice offers us the opportunity to play beautiful traditional instruments and experience the power of drumming to de-stress, energise and bring people together. You will be amazed at how good it sounds!

Sarah has been director of Drumvoice for over 14 years, bringing drumming, dance & singing to schools, community groups and businesses across the country.

Music Workshop David Williams

Location Main Church Hall

David Williams is the main musician at High Cross United Reformed Church, a multi-ethnic congregation in Tottenham in North London. He is comfortable with a wide range of musical genres and instruments and currently performs in a couple of Jazz bands.

For the workshop he will be collaborating with Tim Batty, the musician at Carr's Lane URC in Birmingham, who brings his training and experience of the wide range of music at that church. The music workshop aims to immerse all involved in multicultural worship. Songs will be created which will express the breadth of the Church worldwide. These songs will be used after the workshop in our congregations thus bringing the celebration home.

Activities for Children *Kirsty Mabbott*

Location: New Meeting Room

During the workshops, there will also be a space designated for children to participate in a variety of supervised activities.

Crêche

<u>Location</u> Quiet Room

There is a soft play area provided for adults to take their under 5s during the day.

Art Display (Multicultural Art Competition)

Location: Main foyer and Church

Workshops [1.30 pm to 2.15 pm]

Dance Workshop Claudeth Bennett

Location Bertha Wright Room

Let them praise His name in dance [Psalm 149:3] Released to Worship linked with The National Liturgical Dance Network will be leading our workshop on dance in worship. This is an opportunity to experience worship not as a passive activity but one where body, spirit, mind and emotions come together through the freedom of expression of dance. This workshop invites you to explore and participate in different ways of responding to God and praying with your whole being through movement and dance.

Colourful Cloths – Textiles on Show *Helen Renner, Mona Javed and Fiona Elvins*

Location Margaret Rowland Room

Be part of an extravaganza of textiles, costumes, and associated exotica from, England, Ghana, Pakistan and Scotland! Participants will have an opportunity to try on traditional costumes and contribute an African style design which will be used to create a commemorative banner.

Storytelling Workshop Karen Campbell

Location: Lounge

What's a feast without conversation? And what's conversation without sharing of stories? Weird and wonderful; simple and elaborate; factual and fanciful: Human beings are people of stories! Our stories shape and are shaped by the stories of others. Through action and imagination we continually re-write the stories of our lives... and the world as we know it. In this workshop we will linger a while in the world of story. No 'expertise' required... Bring yourself and an open mind as we shape and share just a few of the stories we bring to the feast.

Feast! Celebrating Our Life Together

10.00 Arrival & Registrations

Sandra Ackroyd, Lorraine Downer-Mattis, Alice Frimpong, Gillian Jones, Zaidie Orr, Tracey Hardingham Tea, coffee, cold drinks will be available at the back of the Church Room from 10.00am—10.30am

10.30 Greetings, Welcome & Introductions

The Revd Roy Lowes (West Midlands Synod Moderator) Neil Riches (Minister at Carrs Lane URC) and Michael Jagessar (Secretary for Racial Justice and Multicultural Ministry / Assembly Moderator Elect)

10.40 Opening Prayer

Mrs Val Morrison—Moderator of General Assembly

- **10.45** Theme Song: 'All In Love' [Led by David Williams and Combined Choir]
- 10.50 Poem [Karen Campbell]
- 10.55 Scripture Reading Luke 14: 15 24
- 11.00 Keynote Speaker I

Mrs Val Morrison—Moderator of General Assembly

- **11.10 Community Singing** (The Feast of Life)
- 11.15 Elmwood URC

11.25	Grassroots, Luton
11.35	Beulah URC, Wales
11.45	Drama (Carrs Lane)
11.55	Rectory Road URC Choir
12.05	Grange Park URC Choir
12.15	Wimbledon URC Singers
12.25	Community Singing (Enter into Jerusalem)
12.30	Grace and Lunch

Please listen for instructions about lunch! You will be directed to places where you may sit for your meal.

Please take time to visit the displays, including the art submissions that are located in and around the Foyer

Programme Continues......

Lunch time concert with Revd Stephen Brown, William Young and others (in the Church)

Announcing Winners of Multicultural Art Award (13.25)

13.30 Workshops

music, drumming, textiles, dance, storytelling activities for the children (further information can be found in the back of this programme)

14.15 Community Dancing

I AM THE WAY

I am the way, the king of the victory I am the truth, Lord of the Harmony I am the light, light of the world to be

Chorus

Hosannah! I hold your hand my friend Hosannah! I give you strength my friend Hosannah! You walk the sea my friend We're gonna sail to victory

Sailing (sailing), sailing (sailing), sailing cross the river sailing Sailing (sailing), sailing (sailing), sailing cross the river sailing Freedom (sister), freedom (brother), freedom in the life of Jesus

I am the vine, you shall abide in me I am the river, you shall be cleansed in me I am the rock, you shall have life in me

I am your God, rising in victory.
I am your brother, living in flesh with thee
I am your saviour, dying on Calvary

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ENTER INTO JERUSALEM

Enter into Jerusalem, let us go to God's house With the healthy and the sick, with the worker and the weak Let us go to God's house Enter into Jerusalem, let us go to God's house Come and run with the wind with the God who reigns in peace Let us go to God's house.

Chorus

We go celebrate, we go celebrate, we go celebrate, Oh Israel:
Praise the name of the Lord on high,
Praise his name in song
Praise the Lord with a heav'nly song
With a heav'nly song, With a heav'nly song
Praise the Lord.

Enter into Jerusalem, mek me walk a down there With the young and the old, with the little and the large, Mek me walk a down there. Enter into Jerusalem, mek me walk a-down there Swaying to breeze with the God who reigns in peace Mek me walk a down there.

Enter into Jerusalem, let us go to God's house With your papa and your mama, with your uncle and your aunt, Let us go to God's house. Enter into Jerusalem, let us go to God's house Run and catch the breeze with the God who reigns in peace Let us go to God's house.

14.30 **Multicultural Story Award Keynote Speaker II** 14.40 The Revd Nigel Uden **High Cross URC Choir** 14.50 15.00 Poem [Sarah Kigozi] 15.05 Thanksgiving Offering Ghanaian Style led by Alice Frimpong, Pamela and Patricia Akoli **Dedication** Revd Edward Sanniez 15.15 **Walthamstow Asian URC** 15.25 **Upper Clapton URC** 15.35 **Liturgical Dance & Song** (Bournemouth International Church) **New Malden URC String Quartet** 15.45 15.55 Benediction Revd Suk in Lee and Mrs Zaidie Orr

Theme Song resumes as people walk out...

Thank you for being part of today. "See you all in 2013"



The Feast of Life

All shall be included in the Feast of Life All shall be included in the Feast of Life All shall be included in the Feast of Life Good news from the Lord.

Chorus

Good News for the Poor Good News from the Lord A new world is coming - the time is at hand Good News from the Lord.

Hand in hand together we will work for peace Hand in hand together we will work for the least Hand in hand together all at the feast. Good News from the Lord.

A voice in the desert cries out for the Lord A voice in the desert says straighten the road A voice cries out make the rough places smooth Prepare the way of the Lord.

Valleys will be filed in and mountains brought low God takes the powerful from off of their thrones Lifts up the lowly and the hungry are fed. Good News from the Lord.

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WE are a MULTICULTURAL Church committed to empowering all towards just, inclusive, renewing and transforming mission and ministry.

Chain of Love

Chorus:

Chain of love - chain of love -Working together on a chain of love Forged in the fire of the Father's love Working together on a chain of love.

There's a chain of love - starts at the heart of God It reaches to the cross in those outstretched arms of love Reaches out to you, reaches out to me It calls us to be partners in a community of peace.

There's a chain of love - a two-way chain, A bridge of friendship - to give and to gain. To support one another, to share and to receive, To stand with each other in the hour of need.

Reach out to the downcast, reach out to the poor,
Those who are forgotten, oppressed and more,
Linking arms together across the divides
Of greed and prejudice and racial pride.

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That's why we're here

Chorus

Happy to share, happy to bear One another's burdens, that's why we're here. Happy to share, happy to bear One another's burdens, that's why we're here.

We were made in the image of God That's why we're here; We're told to walk where Jesus trod That's why we're here; Feeding the hungry and healing the lame That's why we're here; Doing it all in Jesus' name That's why we're here.

Reach out your hand and help your brother That's why we're here;
Reach out your hand and help your sister That's why we're here;
Work for justice and work for peace That's why we're here;
Work for Jesus 'til this life cease That's why we're here.

