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To all fellow Community Services Leaders and participants

Greetings beloved workers and friends!

Re: Sabbath 25th September 2010

There will always be high days and special days, and the above day falls into both categories. It is designated '**the Power of 31**' because on that day we are expecting each of the 31,000 Adventist Church Members in the British Union Conference to distribute in their area 31 pieces of literature per person, resulting in a mass distribution close to 1,000,000, that is one million, pieces of literature. Nearly 1,000,000 people will have in their hands or receive through their letterboxes Spirit-filled invitations to get to know the only One Who can offer them hope, and joy, and peace at a time when everything seems to be failing. What a great opportunity to lift Jesus up!

We are expecting every department in the Church to get involved in this initiative. We have asked that Pathfinders march and drummers drum. I'm asking Community Services members to put on their uniforms, walk alongside the Pathfinders and give out their literature. If there are no Pathfinders in your Church, organize, put on your uniforms and do it anyway.

You can just imagine the scene, can't you? All uniformed together. Walking with a purpose; handing out a tract, a book, a VOP card, a magazine – whatever is available, and there is a lot of literature available! You can purchase the new 'Missionary book of the year – When God Said Remember' written by Mark Finley. It's a book that focuses on the Sabbath and is easy to understand.

You will be able to buy the book at £0.50p each for quantities listed below:

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A good idea? Yes of course it is. This is our chance to shine on that day. All our Churches in the BUC have been invited to spend just a few short hours outside of the Church building and meet the people where they are on that day. You can find a lot more information by going to <http://www.adventistinfo.org.uk/31000/>. This is truly a unique opportunity for the Church to mobilize, to harness their energy, to recapture the spirit of Mission and bravely go.

Can I rely on your support? I often make appeals at the end of my Sermon on Sabbaths. I invite those who want to allow Christ to make a difference in their lives to come forward. You know what I mean. But I always make the point that they are not doing it for me, but for Jesus. I never get embarrassed if the space remains empty, I simply remind them that they are not rejecting me. If on Sabbath 25th September 2010, you choose not to take part, and I know that God knows you and your circumstances, but if you choose to ignore this invitation, I shan't get embarrassed, or feel

rejected. I wouldn't even know. But God sees the heart and He knows the difference that the literature will make in the lives of those who receive it. You can be a Missionary for Jesus on that day simply by doing your part. Jesus needs you.

Thank you for making yourself available, being willing to lift the Community Services banner high in service for the King, and I look forward to hearing how well your Church did on Sabbath 25th September 2010.

I wish you God's richest blessings and as always, I remain your brother in Christ.

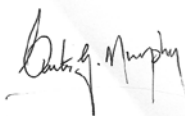
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Curtis G Murphy
Community Services Sponsor

Looking forward to hearing from you.

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