# NEW CENTURY

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### That's good to know

#### **Birthday celebrations**

On Friday 15 January 2016 the Apostolic Church UK will be 100 years old! On that day a special meeting will be convened in Penygroes (the former church centre). This meeting of thanksgiving will include a live link to Accra, Ghana

#### Join us today on Facebook

The latest information about our Centenary can be found on our dedicated Facebook page 'Apostolic Church 100'. Email enquiries can be sent to info@ablazeuk2016.org.

#### Ablaze:

#### the same but different!

AblazeUK 2016 will be at Cheltenham Racecourse from Saturday 30 July until Wednesday 3 August. It will have all the familiar favourite aspects that you like but - with more people! A tiny fraction of the more than 10,000,000 Apostolic Christians from around the world will be joining us! Online registration will be open from August 1st 2015. Please reserve these dates now in your family and church diaries.



## 2016: it's all about the future

Next year will be one of the most important years ever in the life of the Apostolic Church in the United Kingdom. God has brought our Apostolic Movement into position for a deep encounter with Him in 2016. The Centenary Celebration at Cheltenham will be the most significant Apostolic gathering of our generation. I believe that God will use this unique global gathering to inspire our entire Movement into a new confident phase of renewal. Apostolic brothers and sisters will arrive from every continent of the world to celebrate AblazeUK 2016 with us. I invite you to come - join your global family!

Pastor Emmanuel Mbakwe is the National Leader of the UK Apostolic Church.



## **Impact Prayer**

From April 2015, there will be an intense focus on praying specifically for and towards the Centenary Year.

We will be seeking for God to move us on from to greater heights and new levels of ministry, community, regional, national and international impact.

Prayer updates will be emailed to pastors and available on Facebook 'Apostolic Church 100'. Please engage with these prayer avenues. You can also get involved by signing up to receive the prayer updates directly to your email inbox. For those wishing to join the Centenary intercession team, please contact Pastor Joshua Boateng on his email : (joshboat@hotmail.com).



Pastor Simon Taylor with the new AblazeUK 2015 poster. Have you displayed these in your church?!

# On your marks.. Get set... Go!

Last year the country was excited as the Queens Baton Relay went through villages, towns and cities prior to the Commonwealth Games. Inside the Baton was a message from the Queen celebrating the games and inviting everyone to come along. Next year is our Centenary celebrations and to mark this occasion we are having a baton relay of our own!

Launching in Ablaze 2015 the baton, which will contain statements of faith and thanksgiving, will begin its journey at Penygroes and travel over 3000 miles around the UK visiting every assembly in the fellowship

Each assembly will have the baton for a period of time and we would encourage you to take the opportunity to celebrate the batons visit.

Maybe you put on an event and inform the local press, TV or radio so it can be reported in your area. Maybe you could



Pastors Andrew Jenkins and Derrick Hopkins showing the bespoke designed baton at the annual pastors training conference (March 2015).

come up with imaginative ways of transporting the baton boat, plane, bike or horse and cart!! The possibilities are endless and we encourage you to get your thinking caps on and try to involve everyone in the venture, from the youngest to the oldest.

You will be able to follow the progress of the baton around the country on the Centenary Facebook page('Apostolic Church 100') and we would like you to upload photos and videos of the celebrations you held when the baton came your way

The relay would culminate in Ablaze 2016 when the baton would arrive at the conference and, along with the representatives of the other nations, celebration would be made and a video shown of the highlights from the batons journey. This is a great and fun way to celebrate God's faithfulness to us as a fellowship so, come on, let's get this baton moving!! 2