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## TEN YEARS SINCE BRUM G8 \$88b DEBTS CANCELLED \$400b STILL TO GO. MAKE SURE YOU ARE AT THE ICC ON MAY 18th TO KEEP UP THE PRESSURE.

### Taking part at the ICC:

- Archbishop Ndungane, former Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town
- Shahid Malik MP (Minister for International Development)
- Kumi Naidoo (Global Call to Action against Poverty)
- Ann Pettifor (Jubilee 2000)
- Caroline Spelman MP (Chairman of the Conservative Party)
- Dr Hany El-Banna (President of Islamic Relief)
- Bishop Dr Joe Aldred (Chair, Council of Black-led Churches)
- Andy Reed MP
- Lidy Nacpil (Jubilee South)
- Max Lawson (Oxfam)
- Steve Miller (Jewish Social Justice Coalition)
- **Hosted by Adrian Goldberg, editor of The Stirrer**

Plus:  
Video messages expected from Gordon Brown, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf (Pres of Liberia) and Archbishop Desmond Tutu  
Specially filmed reports from Zambia, Tanzania, Honduras and Haiti

### Jubilee Church Services on May 18th

St Giles, Sheldon, 10am Archbishop Ngundane  
St Chads Cathedral, 11am Archbishop Nichols  
St Philips Cathedral, 11am Director Christian Aid  
St Martins Bullring, 11am Rev Michael Taylor  
Sandon Rd Methodist, 11am Rev Bill Anderson  
The Christian Centre, 10.30am Stephen Rand  
Carrs Lane, 10.30am Revd John Marsh  
St Johns Ladywood, 11am Gracewell Mwansa  
St Davids Shenley Green, 10am Rev Colin Marsh  
Selly Oak Methodist, 10.30am Rev Doreen Hare  
Harborne Baptist, 11am Dr David Golding  
St Johns Harborne, 9.15am Jenny Grove

### JOURNEY TO JUSTICE

See details on the flyer or  
[www.journeytojustice.org](http://www.journeytojustice.org)  
2.30pm, Sunday 18 May 2008  
At Birmingham's I C C.  
**ADMITTANCE BY TICKET ONLY  
PURCHASED IN ADVANCE**

Tickets £10 (£5 concessions)  
Book online now at:  
[www.journeytojustice.org](http://www.journeytojustice.org)  
Or 05601507359

### Centenary Square, Birmingham

Free event  
12.30-5.30pm  
Live music and fun,  
including face  
painting and circus activities  
**Azaad Dhol Group**  
**Ul fah Ar t s Choir**  
**Dhol Blasters**  
**Soweto Kinch**  
**Olivier Lavaud**  
**Raw Nerve Theatre Co**  
with the public WHITE CHAIN ac-  
tion at 5pm

### TV cameras will be there

Strong visual messages are needed.  
Wear your debt t shirt, hat, scarf and tabards etc  
Come dressed as loan sharks, snails or carry the flag  
for your special country  
Be creative make your placard and bring thousands  
of white chains  
In 1998 70,000 supporters came to form the chain  
can we have the same number of links in 2008?

**C**AFOD invites you to attend mass at St Chad's  
at 11am followed by talk from 12.30pm-  
1.30pm in the Grimshaw Room bring your  
sandwiches; fairtrade tea and coffee provided.  
(Finishing in plenty of time to get to ICC for 2.30pm.)  
Mass with Archbishop Nichols and  
CAFOD Director Chris Bain

'Jesus' disturbing teaching on God and Debt'  
A talk by Economic Justice theologian David  
McLaughlin

For more information visit [www.cafod.org.uk/  
campaigning](http://www.cafod.org.uk/campaigning)  
or call 020 7095 5692

## May 16th 1998 was a red letter day.

It was one when day world thinking was changed. It was also a day that changed our own thinking. If you know where some of the young people who came that day are now will you send them a postcard and ask if they remember what happened on May 16<sup>th</sup> 1998? How did it change their lives and their thinking. It might surprise us. Send the information to JDC.

I've heard that some have gone to work abroad, several are leading campaigns here in Britain and many are part of the network of Jubilee Debt Campaigners. It is difficult to overestimate what life changes took place that day and after, but here is a message to anyone who was there:

Dear Campaigner

*“ Jubilee South is proud to be part of the global movement fighting to overcome debt domination and secure basic rights for all.*

*When you marched 70,000 strong in Birmingham, in 1998, our network was only a dream ...now it has members in over 50 countries*

*Your efforts in Birmingham marked a milestone and contributed to a truly global movement on debt”*

**Beverly Keene, Jubilee South, Argentina**

What a powerful effect ! The Birmingham Post said at the time that it could be described as ‘Birmingham’s finest hour’ Millions of people who have never and will never visit Birmingham know about JDC because of that day. Many nations will find that the history of their own country changed because people on one day showed powerful world leaders that they were watching their decisions.

Ten years on we have to make it clear that yet again we are watching the slow progress that rich nations are making in debt cancellation. Please don't fail poor countries this time. The meeting at the ICC on May 18<sup>th</sup> is not just a fun day, though we may have some fun. It is a serious push for cancelling the last four fifths of the debt owed to the poorest. There are still some tickets remaining for the ICC event and this is where the 2008 Journey to Justice will have its main impact. That is where the news reporters of the world's media will judge if ‘the campaign still has legs’.

An exhibition in the Birmingham Central Library reminds us where the chain was and what happened that day. Come and see it on any weekday or Saturday in May.

Rachel Stephens.

0121 472 1379 or email [restephens.jdc@phonecoop.coop](mailto:restephens.jdc@phonecoop.coop) to offer your help with stewarding the exhibition

## We need More Money

Thank you to all those who generously donated to our appeals but we need more money. If you have forgotten but can help please do be in touch. I have a supply of Gift Aid envelopes if you would still like to make a tax efficient donation.

Gill Fletcher JDC B.ham Treasurer 0121 472 2488

25 Woodbrooke Road, B.ham, B30 1UE

## Important Dates

**On going DROP THE DEBT FAST until 17th May**  
See [www.jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk/fast](http://www.jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk/fast) to join in.  
**50 local supporters have joined so far.**

**Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup>** Buddha Day Birmingham's Museum and Art Gallery from 1.00pm. Wear your Jubilee scarf etc.

**11-17 May Christian Aid Week includes links with JDC. Climax of the week The Director of CA will be taking part in the service at St Philips Cathedral, Colmore Row, B.ham, City centre.**

**Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup>, Debt and Climate Change**  
Muslim/Christian event at the Zawiya 1 Jenkins St Small Heath , B10 0QH

**Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup>**, Islamically Inspired Solutions to the Global Debt Crisis 7.00-8.45pm The Day Centre, B.ham Central Mosque (Ground Floor), 180 Belgrave Middleway, Highgate, Birmingham, B12 0XS  
Speakers Rev. Professor Michael Taylor ‘The Problem with Debt’ ,Tarek El-Diwany ‘ An Islamic alternative to the slavery of debt.’ with Q&A's.

**Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup>. Debt Relief. Towards peace with justice** for women of all faiths at the University chaplaincy, 6:45pm. St Francis Hall, Uni of B.ham Chaplaincy (Next to Student Guild, Edgbaston Pk Rd)

Contact: Patricia Earle Tel: 0121-472-2350

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May** B.ham Primary schools assemblies with materials provided by JDC see [www.jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk/assembly](http://www.jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk/assembly)

**Friday and Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> – 17th May** B.ham University conference. “Aiding the Poorest”

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May** Jewish Groups - Jubilee worship

**Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>** Special Jubilee services in many churches on Sunday morning. See [www.Jubileedebt.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/Sunday Services.doc](http://www.Jubileedebt.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk/Sunday_Services.doc)

**Tuesday 20th May launch of “Ten years on” . JDC Report at House of Commons’ Please ask your MP to attend the event.**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June** Selly Oak Methodist Church B29 6HT bring and share food, photos etc from Journey to Justice 6.00 until 8-30pm to work out further action for the JDC group.

**7th—9th July G8 Summit in Japan**

**October 12—19th** Global Week of Action on Debt  
**October 17—19th** Stand Up and Take Action