Sunday, 24th (TWENTY FOURTH) and Monday, 25th (TWENTY FIFTH) August 2025.

Dear

Notting Hill Carnival **GOSPEL PREACHING** to Approx 200,000 people on 24th and 25th August 2025.

Arrangements are different this year, so please pray for clear guidance and wisdom to enable this opportunity to serve our Lord. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I am encouraging you to take this opportunity to help preach the salvation message to many thousands of lost souls in London at this once a year effort on Sunday, 24th and Monday, 25th August at 10:15 am. This is NOT an event that we are organising, rather an opportunity to co-operate as individuals under the headship of our Lord Jesus to work together. We are NOT going to protest or condemn those we meet, but rather follow the Lord's example: For God didn't send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved John 3:17.

We welcome those whom the Lord calls to practise His love for the world by preaching the Gospel. It is therefore necessary that those who preach confess:

- 1. One Almighty God in three persons of the Heavenly Father, Jesus Christ The Son, and The Holy Spirit.
- 2. Justification by faith only
- 3. The Holy Undefiled Sacrifice of the Eternal Son of God, Jesus Christ and His once shed Blood as the only means of forgiveness of our sins.

There are one million people on the streets stood watching the procession. I plan to bring the new minitrolley to carry a decent amplifier and display Bible verses. Though the Carnival floats are very noisy, the Lord often gives us plenty of relative quiet in which the preaching can be clearly heard.

We need Bible preachers, but also those who come must be willing to give out tracts, look after the trolley and carry banners, etc. We are allowed to be there because at great expense during the previous 30 years, there has been agreement with the Carnival organisers, the local Council and the Police. This requires us to wear something by which they can identify us as our group, so if you come with us, you must be willing to wear either a fluorescent yellow top or a Bible text jacket. And we are not to obstruct Carnival floats.

There is some space on the trolley for a small light bag, only for essentials which you need for the day! Please do NOT bring anything else unless you plan to carry it for the whole day. Each preacher is directly under the Headship, responsibility, and organisation of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Michael Virgo.

Practical directions and tips:

We will meet on Ladbroke Grove outside St. John's church at 10:15 am. Please reply to tell us if you are coming, and plan to come early so that we know who is with us each day. There should be toilets near this location.

The nearest tube station is Holland Park.

The schedule for the day will be under the Lord's direction taking into consideration the situation, but our plan is to walk at 10:30 and aim to be on Ladbroke Grove until about 1 pm. Then return to Elgin crescent for a lunch break until 2 pm. St. John's church usually serve food to the public for purchase. We then plan to continue ministry on Ladbroke Grove and finish around 5 pm.

The carnival is very loud. Please bring ear plugs.

Please do not bring any valuables and be aware that thieves will be aiming to steal mobile phones and bags.

You need strong and comfortable shoes.

A very light rain Mack may be helpful.

Food and drink is available on the carnival route, but quite expensive.

Its a good idea to bring a few sheets of toilet roll, it is provided, but may run out. Also a very small bottle of hand cleansing gel.

Please tell us when you plan to leave and if you get separated from us in the carnival and can't find us, please aim to meet either in the lunch break, or on the road near to 121 Clarendon Road between 4 and 6 pm. Whilst concerned if anyone is not with us, we cannot be responsible for you and will have to assume you are OK and have gone home if we can't find you.

Have a good time serving and worshipping our Lord Jesus by participating in His work to reach the lost by sharing His word with the world as He commanded us to do.



Pray well before you come and pray for us please.