

# Paul's News

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Hello to all you Davies Dialogue readers!

In the ancient world when there was a good event, a messenger was sent into the street to shout, *euangelion*, "good news". This is the New Testament word for Gospel. Well, *euangelion!* *Euangelion!* We have really good news to share with you. I, Paul have been asked to return to College! Praise the Lord!

Given my background in marketing and also my knowledge of the mission world and my contacts within that world, Andy Dipper, the new Principal/CEO of All Nations has asked me to take up the role of "Strategic Development Officer"

<p><b><i>strategic</i></b></p> <p>/strə'ti:dʒɪk/</p> <p><i>adjective</i></p> <p>adjective: <b>strategic</b></p> <p>relating to the identification of long-term or overall aims and interests and the means of achieving them. E.g. "strategic planning for the organization is the responsibility of management"</p>	<p><b><i>development</i></b></p> <p>/dɪ'veləpm(ə)nt/</p> <p><i>noun</i></p> <p>noun: <b>development</b></p> <p>a new and advanced product or idea. "the latest developments in information technology"</p> <p>a specified state of growth or advancement." the wings attain their full development several hours after birth"</p> <p>an event constituting a new stage in a changing situation. "I don't think there have been any new developments since yesterday"</p>
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This will actually be a dual role. On the one hand I will be teaching in a slightly different capacity. The other role is strategic and ambassadorial. I will be helping to push the All Nations' strategy forward. I am really grateful to God for allowing me to do this once again.

The strategic role will involve promoting the College through social media, going to and speaking at churches and conferences, visiting mission organisations and Christian NGOs and generally raising the profile of All Nations. It will also mean fostering ideas for improvement of what the College offers.

As our supporters we wanted to share with you that these last two years have been really difficult for us because we never felt that it was God's will that I left All Nations. Having said that, I did not hang around waiting for All Nations to invite me back. I applied for several jobs, at least two of which I should have got (one of them the chair of the council told me that they had made a mistake in not appointing me).

I have also filled my time with writing, reading, going to conferences, both in the UK and overseas. I have been preaching a lot more and blogging. This time, however, has not been easy and we have spent hours asking God where He is in all this.



Andy Dipper and Paul at the end of term party!

Andy Dipper has been a friend for many years. I was his wife's tutor when she studied for the MA and I was her supervisor for her dissertation. We even stayed in their house when they lived in Lea on Sea! Shortly after Andy was appointed Principal (December 2015) we arranged to meet and we both expressed a wish for meet to reengage with College again in some way. Through a process of discussion with the Council and Leadership team Andy came up with a proposal which was accepted by all. So as from the first of September I will be back!

This will be a part salaried, part funded job. I am looking to raise one and a half days salary. Please give serious thought and prayer as to whether you be willing to be part of my support team, partnering with me in this vital role, both for All Nations and for the mission movement in the UK and beyond. If you would like to support us please write to me and I will send you details of how to do this. Or, as this funding is going directly though All Nations and you can download a standing order form here <https://www.allnations.ac.uk/sites/default/files/PDFs/Standing%20Order%20Form%202016.pdf> please write Paul Davies in the box that says Specific purpose.

After a very busy term Wilma has finished All Nations for the summer and is glad to unplug for a while. More news from her next time.

May the Lord continuously bless you,

*Wilma e Paul*

## **PRAISE**

*For the new role at All Nations*

*For Wilma's strength and determination during this time.*

*Surviving a tough year*

## **PRAYER**

*For all the teaching, tutoring, supervising, marking, preaching, interviewing, and pastoring that is life at allnations, for the energy, wisdom, discernment and creativity needed to do it well*

*For wisdom in this new role for Paul*

*Raising support for the role*

*For good health and sufficient energy*

## **Thank you**

*For your continued giving. 50% of Wilma's salary still comes via Latin Link so we are very grateful for all of you who have continued to support her ministry with Latin Partners.*

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