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***The third
NEWCASTLE JUBILEE DEVELOPMENT LECTURE***

*Saturday, 12th September, 2015, 4.30-5.30pm
St Thomas's Church, Haymarket, Newcastle upon Tyne*

Chair, Chi Onwurah, MP for Newcastle Central,

Guests of Honour:

***The Lord Mayor of Newcastle upon Tyne, Councillor Ian Graham,
and the Lady Mayoress, Margaret Graham.***

With concise contributions by:

- ***Tim Jones***, Senior Policy officer, Jubilee Debt Campaign UK
*“Debt crises without end – has Newcastle University’s
Senate provided a way forward?”*
- ***Diarmaid McDonald***, Advocacy Manager, STOPAIDS
“AIDS – Extraordinary progress; daunting challenge”
- ***Chris Venables***, Programme Officer, Medact
“Climate change – the threat to global health”

From 4.00-4.30pm, the Fairtrade shop will be open for business, and

An ‘A-Z of Music’ from around the world will be provided by David and Susan Biermann

Light refreshments will be served, 5.30-6.00pm

Following the Lecture, from 6.00-6.30pm, you are cordially invited you to attend:

***The Sixth Annual Service of Blessing
for the Great North Run and those in need at home and abroad***

Revd Catherine Lack presiding

Bishop Frank White and other church leaders attending

An accessible service of Christian worship, to which those of all faiths and none are invited

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The 'Newcastle Jubilee Development Lecture' is on course to become an annual highlight of Newcastle University's public lecture programme. It is co-sponsored by Newcastle University, the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle and Jubilee Debt Campaign, with the support of the City of Newcastle, the University Chaplaincy and North East CALL TO ACTION. The aim of the initiative is simple – it is to promote support for the endeavour to *“free our fellow men, women and children from the abject and dehumanising conditions of extreme poverty”* (UN Millennium Declaration, September 2000).

The inaugural event was given by Baroness Glenys Kinnock in 2013 and last year we were privileged to welcome Kevin Watkins, Executive Director of the Overseas Development Institute, the UK's leading think-tank on international development.

This year, we will welcome senior staff members from **not one, but three agencies**, each of which has an outstanding record in the fight against global poverty. They are Tim Jones, Senior Policy officer at Jubilee Debt Campaign UK; Diarmaid McDonald, Advocacy Manager at STOPAIDS; and Chris Venables, Programme Officer at Medact.* They will give highly concise presentations (following the format of *‘Just a Minute’ perhaps ☺*) and answer questions relating to debt, AIDS and climate change, respectively. An interesting and inspiring event is guaranteed!

Newcastle University was the only university in the UK to honour Revd Dr Martin Luther King Jr (on 13th November, 1967) and we are also proud of our more recent, unique role, together with that of the City and wider regional community, in support of the Jubilee Debt and global poverty campaigns. We repeat here what our former Vice-Chancellor, Professor Christopher Edwards, said in 2007, in relation to the aims of 'Make Poverty History' to eradicate debt and hunger in the developing world: these are *“aims which we as an institution share and applaud.”* More recently, we have made 'Social Renewal' one of our Societal Challenge Themes and, as our current Vice-Chancellor and Registrar have said, this incorporates the spirit of social justice which was at the very heart of the work of Dr King and the global poverty campaign.

Dr David Golding CBE (Newcastle University and Jubilee Debt Campaign);
& p/p Dr John Appleby (Newcastle University and Diocese of Newcastle)

*Diarmaid McDonald and Chris Venables will participate in the Great North Run on the day following the Lecture, when they will be joined by Sarah-Jayne Clifton, Director of Jubilee Debt Campaign, and Elizabeth Forrester, a Trustee of Medact, as members of a 76-strong University Team largely made up of students from a wide range of disciplines, as well as administrative, technical and academic staff (including eight professors).

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