

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS SPONSORSHIP APPEAL IN MEMORY/HONOUR OF A SALVATIONIST

Remember or honour a faithful soldier by supporting the Mind the Gap appeal

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus going on before. Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe; Forward into battle see his banners go!

— Sabine Baring-Gould, 1865

In 1865, the same year the Salvation Army was born, Anglican priest Rev. Sabine Baring-Gould wrote, 'Onward, Christian soldiers' – a song that the global Christian church, and the Army in particular, holds dear. The song readies us for battle, encourages us to stay strong, and assures us of victory. The song also reminds us that 'we are treading where the saints have trod.' And, this is our testimony as we reach 2015.

The Salvation Army would not be approaching 150 years of saving souls, growing saints, and serving suffering humanity were it not for the faithfulness, diligence, and sacrifice of those who have marched before us and those who march beside us. The Office of the International Congress, thus, invites you to make a gift to the Mind the Gap international sponsorship appeal in memory or in honour of soldiers who have impacted your life and that of the Salvation Army.

With 80% of the world's Salvationists living in developing countries, the International Congress will not represent the true cultural richness and diversity of the Salvation Army and its varied ministries without your help. By 'minding the gap' and helping to bring under-resourced Salvationists to the Congress, you honour those who have gone before, affirm those who fight on, and ensure the worldwide Army marches on with as much dynamism as ever.

For gifts greater than £250, we will remember or honour your faithful soldier on the online Congress Wall of Sponsors.

You can donate by cheque if in the UK, online via the secure online donation facility, http://sar.my/givemtg, or by internal transfer via your territorial headquarters. Please don't forget to complete the attached donation form, indicating who you would like to remember or honour.

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Thank you for minding the gap, The Congress Office

