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To commemorate the 250th anniversary this August of the birth of William Carey, the 'father of modern mission', a variety of events have been arranged.

Whether you live near to the places in Northamptonshire where Carey lived and worked, or you are somewhere else in the world, there are a variety of experiences that people near and far can join in.

Saturday 13 August 10.00am — 3.00pm

Reading through the gospels at Carey Baptist Church, Moulton, Northamptonshire. Drop by to hear different readers of all ages and nationalities read these words which continue to have power to change lives. Sat nav code: NN3 7SB

Sunday 14 August 8.10am

Broadcast of the Radio 4 service (recorded 23 July). Listen live or via BBC iPlayer. www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006gnds

Wednesday 17 August 250th anniversary of the birth of William Carey

Unveiling of 'William Carey' plaque at Northampton railway station at a special service attended by invited guests and railway staff. The River Nene used to flow where the station is now (under platform 1!) but when the station was built, the River Nene was rerouted. William Carey was baptised on the spot where the station is now in October 1783.

Wednesday 17 August 7.00pm

Come along to a special service commemorating Carey's life and achievements and take on the challenges this gives us today. At Carey Baptist Church, Moulton, Northamptonshire. Sat nav code: NN3 7SB

Wednesday 17 August – Monday 29 August

William Carey Exhibition at St James Church, Paulerspury, Northamptonshire.

A display of photographs, illustrations and documents relating to William Carey, Paulerspury and India.

Organised by the Paulerspury Commemorative Team, Email:

info@williamcarey.co.uk

Sat nav code: NN12 7NA

Saturday 20 August 7.00pm

'A story to tell': an evening of fun, enjoyment and reflection at Carey Baptist Church, Moulton, Northamptonshire. People of all ages and from all walks of life will tell the some of the many stories which make up the life of William Carey and the faith which motivated him. The stories will be told in many different ways including drama, video, reading and PowerPoint. Indian snacks will be served during the interval. Come and invite your friends for a great evening out. Sat nav code: NN3 7SB

Sunday 21 August Carey Sunday

Celebrate Carey Sunday in your church, using the all-age service resources produced by BMS World Mission.

Available as a free download from www.bmsworldmission.org/careysunday

or by phoning BMS Resources on 01235

517617. Also available is the William Carey – Journal

Extracts DVD in which William Carey is seen reading from

the early part of his journal as he sets sail for India. Cost

£5.00 plus £2.50 p&p from www.bmsworldmission.org/resources

or by phoning BMS Resources 01235 517617.

1.00pm onwards

Picnic at Carey Memorial Baptist Church, Hackleton,

Northamptonshire. Come and bring your sandwiches.

There will be games and a treasure hunt for children and a

Carey Walkabout for all ages. Also, a brief service with a

short talk by Peter Im, Professor of Intercultural Studies

and Director of the Global Leadership Center at William

Carey International University, Pasadena, California. Carey

souvenirs and other goods will be on sale to help raise

money to support ministerial students visiting BMS

projects in Nepal in the autumn. Sat nav code: NN7 2AQ

Saturday 27 – Monday 29 August

Flower festival in Paulerspury, Northamptonshire – the village where William Carey was born – at St James Church. Come and enjoy the flowers. Refreshments and lunches available. Sat nav code: NN12 7NA

Wednesday 26 – Saturday 29 October (times tbc)

William Carey – Brothers and sisters

Presented by the Paulerspury Players, this play follows Carey through

the many trials and tribulations he encountered. At Paulerspury

Village Hall. www.paulerspuryplayers.org.uk/Future.asp

Sat nav code: NN12 7NA

Wednesday 9 November (time tbc)

Open lecture at the University of Northampton organised by the Chaplaincy Department given by Dr Nicholas Wood, Fellow & Dean and Director of the Oxford Centre for Christianity and Culture, Regent's Park College. All welcome.

For further details on any of the above contact Margaret Williams via BMS. Tel 01235 517617 or email carey@bmsworldmission.org

Like to know more about William Carey?

You can visit the sites associated with William Carey and find out more about mission today by visiting Carey country on The Carey Experience. The tour takes in:

- Paulerspury, Northamptonshire, where Carey was born and spent his childhood
- Hackleton and Piddington, Northamptonshire, to see the sites of the houses where Carey lived as an apprentice and journeyman shoemaker, the church where he was married and the Baptist church erected in his memory
- Olney, Buckinghamshire, where Carey was called to ministry
- Moulton, Northamptonshire, where Carey had his school and lived as minister and developed a vision for world mission
- Kettering, Northamptonshire, where BMS was founded. Visit the Heritage Room at Fuller Baptist Church to discover links between Carey and other great pioneer missionaries.

These sites are open on request. Visit www.thecareyexperience.co.uk, email: info@thecareyexperience.co.uk or tel BMS on 01235 517617.