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## **AMIDST ALL LIFE'S UNCERTAINTY, SPRING HARVEST OFFERS HOPE**

A survey\* out last month revealed that the confidence of UK consumers in the economy and their finances has suffered its biggest monthly drop in 16 years.

But despite the increasing tightening of belts and lack of confidence, Spring Harvest is offering hope this April.

“We know that many people are facing uncertainty in their lives, but the church has a message of hope” says Wendy Beech-Ward, Director of Spring Harvest. “This year is the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible, and at Spring Harvest we’ll focus on the majesty of God’s plan for us, revealed through the stories, poetry and lives of Scripture. His plan for his people is the ultimate good news – it brings meaning and hope to our lives. Our prayer is that our guests return home from the event encouraged, motivated, lifted and more able to depend on Scripture for wisdom, advice and guidance in their every day lives”.

The Spring Harvest teaching theme this year, Route 66, will look at how the Bible is more than just a book – it’s a treasure-chest of truth with principles that apply to day-to-day circumstances. The teaching sessions will tackle questions like: How does the Bible guide us and help make sense of the world we live in? How does it throw light on our path and on our culture? And how does it answer the tough questions that face us?

The Bible teaching tackling this theme each morning across the 5 weeks of Spring Harvest will be led by; Andy Hickford (Maybridge Community Church), Gerard Kelly (Bless Network), Stephen Gaukroger (Clarion Trust International), Dave Steell (One Church, Brighton) and Malcolm Duncan (Goldhill Baptist Church).

Leading worship in the Big Top across the event will be; Vicky Beeching, Noel Robinson, Trent, Ben Cantelon and Geraldine Latty.

\* GfK NOP Social Research

### **Notes to editors**

Attracting thousands of Christians each year, Spring Harvest is a cross-denominational, multi-week event that takes place at Butlins Minehead from 9-24 April and Butlins Skegness from 9-14 April 2011. Both Resorts offers Guests comfortable Self-catering or Half Board accommodation in units for up to 8 people. The latest availability can be found at [www.springharvest.org](http://www.springharvest.org).

The event invites Guests to experience a comprehensive adult, youth and children’s programme of Bible teaching, worship, workshops and seminars. There are also many Butlins leisure facilities at each

Resort and a late night programme offering comedy, drama, worship, chat shows and the best UK Christian bands.

Book online at [www.springharvest.org](http://www.springharvest.org) or call Butlins on 0845 070 4743.

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