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To our SEBA contacts.

Dear friends,

We are pleased to announce that, after a whole day of excellent interviews and discussions on 17 June, it was unanimously agreed by the association's search committee to call the Revd Paul Kerley to be our second Regional Minister. Paul has accepted and will commence his new duties in October 2009.

Paul is currently at Aldwick Free Church (Baptist), near Bognor Regis where he has been the minister since 1995. Prior to that, he had ministerial experience at Baptist churches in Maidstone, Erith and Earlswood. Paul has served the Baptist family locally as a member of the SEBA Executive and on our Ministerial Recognition and Finance Committees as well as administering the SEBA website. Nationally, he has served on the Baptist Union Council and on the BUGB's Ministerial Recognition Committee and on the Communications Committee.

Paul and his wife, Pam, will be moving to Kent as he will be assuming responsibility for the pastoral care of churches and ministers in the four Kent Networks. In addition to this, he will also work across the whole of the association, specialising in Network Resourcing and Ministerial Development.

Stuart Davison, as Team Leader, will deal with all matters concerning Settlement and continue in his roles as Mission Enabler and having pastoral care in some of the Networks. Mave Whitchurch, our Youth Officer, will liaise closely with Stuart and Paul, supporting and developing the work among our youth and children. All three will also continue to develop links with BMS World Mission through the involvement in the Team of Chris Andre-Watson.

Please pray for Paul and Pam as they prepare to move home to take up this new role and for the church at Aldwick as they move towards a time of pastoral vacancy.

We plan to have a special service in the autumn when the whole association can gather to give thanks to God and to re-dedicate the SEBA Team to His service. Please look out for the announcement of details about this event to which all will be invited.

With all best wishes

Yours in the Lord's service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Roger' with a small flourish underneath.

Roger Barnett (Moderator)