



THE
Ebenezer
LEGACY

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Take a journey into the past and discover the history of the Granada Woolwich. Opened as a theatre in 1937, and once a monumental testament to the beauty of modern Gothic architecture, the Granada Woolwich lost its identity of romance and occasion, being used as a bingo hall and sadly neglected for many years.

Now, with careful and sensitive work, Christ Faith Tabernacle has restored the building to its former glory, bringing the sheer beauty and romance back to life in Woolwich once more as the celebrated *CFT Cathedral - Ebenezer Building!*



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The Grand Staircase

Russian interior designer Theodore Komisajevski opted for an Italian Gothic style. Although the building was originally created as a theatre, this style was traditionally employed for the design of churches. The building is a celebration of creativity and positivity, bringing to the community a truly unique and beautiful space which, in the coming years, will be host to not only the Ministry of Christ Faith Tabernacle, but to many magnificent events, gatherings and celebrations.



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Mark 11:24

Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.



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The Main Auditorium

Despite seeing a period of neglect, the illustrious theatre has played host to many musical acts that went on to become superstars, including Buddy Holly (1958), Roy Orbison and the Beatles (1963). The Hall of Mirrors even served as a casino for a time. In the 1960s, it sadly went the way of many cinemas, hosting bingo nights and, eventually, the popular game replaced movies altogether and the theatre became a full time bingo hall. Now, we return triumphantly to the glory days, uncovering the theatre's former splendour!



Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.



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The Main Auditorium

With a seating capacity of nearly 2500, Ebenezer Building is a venue on a truly grand scale. The renovation has been a labour of love, and no corners have been cut in the endeavour to authentically restore it. Period features have been retained and new work is sensitive to the original styling, even down to the interior doors, which have been resupplied by the same manufacturer who made them nearly 100 years ago. This attention to detail is what makes visiting The Ebenezer Building a truly unforgettable experience.



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Haggai 1:8

Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the Lord.



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The Hall of Mirrors

Regarding the exuberant design of the theatre, Theodore Komisarjevsky declared: *"Houses of worship were not intended to be like cold dismal drill halls or mortuaries. They were not meant to depress people. The aim of ecclesiastical architecture was to attract people, to offer them not only rows of pews in which to say their prayers but romantic relaxation and artistic pleasure amid surrounds of hope, colourful beauty and harmony."* And now, this ideal can be fulfilled as Ebenezer Building once more fills up with people.



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Zechariah 9:12

Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope: even to day do I declare that I will render double unto thee.



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The Hall of Mirrors

Notable areas which have been repaired and restored include the Grand Staircase which features medieval figures on the wall, The Hall of Mirrors which is lined with ornate chandeliers, the Foyer Balcony and the stunning Auditorium with gothic styling. The vast interior has been extensively cleaned, new carpets have been laid that are sympathetic to the original design and dazzling new light fittings have also been especially commissioned to match the original 1930s lights. The overall effect is a stunning step back in time.



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Isaiah 9:10

The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycamores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars.



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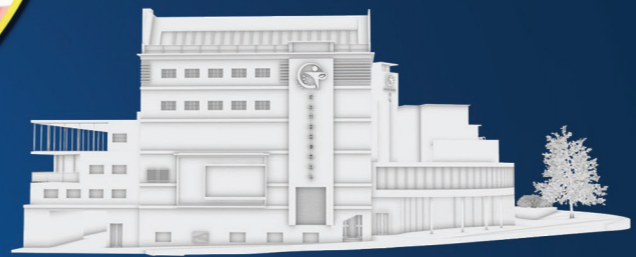


A New Beginning...

The future of the Ebenezer Building is bright once again. The newly restored CFT Cathedral will be filled with celebration and laughter in the coming years, realising and exceeding the vision of the architects and designers who first conceived it. Our initiatives and events will reach out to local, national and international communities, making this not only a warm and welcoming church for families, but also a world renowned destination for corporations, tourists and world leaders. All are welcome at CFT Cathedral.



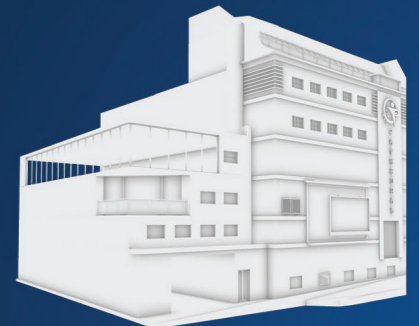
Revelation 21:5
And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.
And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.



Side Elevation



Front Elevation



Detail



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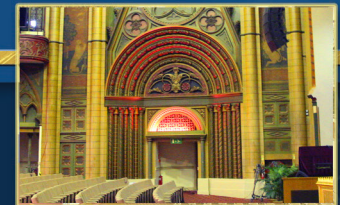
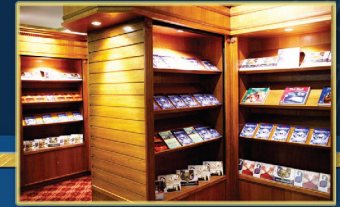
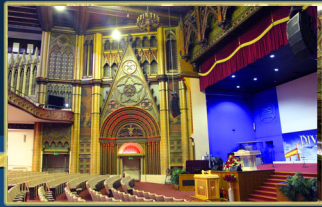
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