



“Give me one hundred men who fear nothing but sin and desire nothing but God, and I care not whether they be clergyman or laymen, they alone will shake the gates of Hell and set up the kingdom of Heaven upon the earth.” John Wesley



There is overwhelming evidence that when a Christian father attends worship service on a regular basis, the rest of the family follows.

The importance of children coming to saving faith in Jesus Christ can be broken down like this:

7% of saved children will help lead both of their parents to faith in Jesus Christ

23% of saved wives and mothers will help lead their husbands and children to faith in Jesus Christ

94% of saved husbands and fathers will help lead their entire family to faith in Jesus Christ

From <http://www.patheos.com/blogs/christiancrier/2013/07/29/the-importance-of-good-christian-fathers/>

Funny Picture Caption



Different pages for each Section or Simply like this

1. Ongoing Events

Men behaving Dadly

A Saturday morning toddler group for dads and their pre-school kids. Come and join us for our once a month special Dad's and toddlers group. Packed full of bacon butties, papers and coffee for the dads, toys, toys and more toys for the kids.

Where: Christ Church Clifton, downstairs (please use the side entrance on Clifton Park)

When: Once a month on a Saturday morning. Check Church Calendar

Time: 9.30-11am

Cost: £1 entry per dad

Adam Marriott heads this up and is also looking for volunteers to help cook, serve and set up (you don't need a pre school child for this!) It doesn't have to be every month - a couple of times a year would be great. Please let us know if this is something you would like to do.

Adam Marriott adam_rachel_marriott@fastmail.co.uk

Over 50's Football

Dave Vernon leads a group of 'mature' men (over 50) for footy every Monday evening at Clifton . An hour of fairly competitive football followed by a pint in the bar afterwards. If you are interested please contact Dave at davernon@blueyonder.co.uk

Hour of Power

Malcolm Bourne leads a fitness class called Hour of Power at Christ Church at 6.30pm on Thursday evenings. Please contact Malcolm for more details: malcolmbourne@hotmail.com , 07931 522768

Sailing

Latest Report

A hardy group of Christchurch men agreed to accompany me on a day sail based in Plymouth. These shipmates included David Daniels, Chris Davis, John Griffin, Ben Nias, Howard Greeves and Alasdair Groves.

We gained permission from the charter company, Liberty Yachts of Queen Anne's battery in Plymouth, to sleep on board Bertie on the night of 22/23 June at no extra charge. Bertie is a 44 foot Bavaria and can take 10 crew.

The morning of Thursday 23 June was a bright one with sun and a gentle breeze - ideal for a bunch of land lubbers to get their sea legs! After a safety briefing we set all sail and first circumnavigated Drake's Island passing through the narrow buoyed channel known as "the Bridge" to the west of the island. All the crew had a go at helming the boat, pulling up sails, adjusting sails and generally learning how to sail a yacht.

At lunchtime we anchored off Cawsand just outside the breakwater and 2 energetic souls inflated the dinghy and rowed ashore to buy genuine Cornish pasties. After lunch the breeze increased enabling us all to enjoy some exhilarating sailing between Cawsand and the mouth to the River Yealm. Then it was time to return to base and back home.

From the conversations I have had since, everyone seemed to have a good time and at least 1 member of the crew has caught the sailing bug and has sailed with me subsequently. Some wives have been put out that they have not been invited too! That can be remedied on another occasion with a mixed crew.

Thanks are due to Simon Beeby who runs the charter company for agreeing to accompany us on the day at no charge, to act as my second in command as I always need at least one other experienced sailor when sailing.

I look forward to next year and a possible full week sailing across to Brittany and back. Tentative dates are evening of Friday 19th May to evening of Friday 26th May 2017. Anybody interested please contact me.

Nick Bell

please email Nick - admiralbell50@gmail.com.

Bon Voyage.





MEN IN THE PUB

We Meet on the First Wednesday of the Month

at the MALL, CLIFTON,

Downstairs at 8.00pm

NO AGENDA!!

JUST BLOKES GETTING TOGETHER FOR A CHAT.

Look out in the church calendar and notices. Also good to invite non Christian friends.

Contact Derek Hadden at dereksuehadden@blueyonder.co.uk

20s and 30s

Contact David Bird for events coming up. davidbird000@gmail.com

2.Points of Contact

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3.Ideas for Involvement

Examples of other activities you might want to get involved in, start up or help to organise are :

Photography,
Climbing,
Cycling and other sports,
Book club ,
Curry evenings etc

The activities can be weekly , monthly or simply one offs.

At our inaugural meeting we also talked about One off Events/ activities including those which had a more overtly Christian nature eg Discipling Groups, Prayer breakfasts (perhaps a more simplified version of what we used to do but in in the crypt and with bacon butties) Tins and Hymns followed by a curry, Fathers and sons Comedy nights, Alpha for men etc, Rugby or football internationals, A Football Tournament for across the ages)

Work team

There are always manual jobs at Christ Church and in the community that need doing from time to time and it would be great to have a team of guys that we can call on when help is required. Let us know if this is something you want to be included in

Under 50's Football

There has been a lot of interest in starting up a similar footy evening for those slightly younger men. We need someone to take this on as Dave Vernon does for the over 50's. It would make sense to do it at the same time and place as the over 50's although it doesn't have to be. If you are interested in taking this on then please get in touch and we can put you in contact with Dave Vernon to give you some ideas.

4.Link to CVM (Christian Vision for Men)

<http://www.cvm.org.uk/>



<https://www.youtube.com/user/CVMmedia>

5.Video Page

We do some unbelievably dumb things sometimes.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t2XNvbdWJLA>

6. Top Tenuous Top 10 Films / Heroes/

Send your top 10 to men@ccweb.org.uk

8. Future Events

9. Have your say.....