



MAY IS 'CHRISTIANITY MONTH'

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MET:Revive is pleased to support and publicise Christianity Month. This relatively new vision is gradually gaining momentum as churches realise this is a reasonably easy way to celebrate the many changes that have happened in the world and in lives because of the Christian faith. We can use May as a month for intentional Christian outreach and witness as we celebrate the effect Christianity has had for good around the world. I always want to say at that point that of course we should witness all year round, but having a month when we gather resources and encourage one another to share in the same message has the potential for far greater impact. We have special prayer days when we should pray all year round, we have particular weeks where Christian charities raise funds and profile, we have special campaigns. None of these preclude us from carrying our work and ministry in these areas all year round.

I want to invite you then to pray for Christianity Month. This edition of the magazine will likely coincide with Christianity Month so it may be too late to do anything for 2025, but I am perfectly serious when I say it is not too early to start praying and thinking about Christianity Month 2026. You will find the logo on this page. Feel free to use it. It can be downloaded from a number of sites – just search for Christianity Month via your search engine or contact me if you need a digital copy.

In a church I have care of, this year for Christianity Month we have arranged a textile exhibition called 'Good

Grief' over 'Dying Matters' Week in May, a Community Fun Day, a Comedy Night with a Comedian who is a Christian, a craft workshop working with wool (obvious links to the Christian faith), an afternoon tea to link with the commemoration of VE Day, a Holiday Club, visits into schools, and our usual church activities which will have Christian literature freely available. Sunday services will be more seeker friendly and evangelistic. That is quite a heavy programme but the beauty of Christianity Month is that you can give it a go just by putting on one event. Maybe you have a monthly coffee morning and you could advertise this as linked with Christianity Month and arrange to have some free gospels on hand. You could put the Christianity Month logo outside. Perhaps you could invite a local preacher or another speaker to share something about how the Christian faith has changed the landscape of the world!

For Christianity Month there is nothing to sign up to, no training to take part in, no package to buy. You do not need to have great resources to take part. It fits any size church and can be a gentle, light-touch encouragement for people to discover the jewels of the Christian faith, or it can be a marvellous opportunity to go all-out in mission.

Why not start talking about and planning for Christianity Month 2026?

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