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Hey wonderful Youth Workers!

We hope you and your youth groups are keeping strong. We had such a joyous time at Glow this last Sunday looking at the topic of our Identity in Christ. We had Josh Curnow leading worship and sharing his story, a ton dirty fries for all who attended, and 3 packed breakout sessions.

We expected somewhere between 100-120 young people to arrive, but 175 turned up on the evening! There was a real buzz of excitement as we saw more and more young people who were hungry, not only for dirty fries, but to know more about God. We played games and had 3 jam packed hubs that each explored different areas of identity from social media, to broken families, to who Christ has created us to be. In each hub we saw young people start to grasp who God says they are.

When Josh got up to share his story he perfectly related to the young people and the decisions they face around identity: do I do what God says or do I fit in, do I go to church or do I go play rugby. He used a clear example of a car that he had been driving and not taking very much care of. Jesus sat in the car with him keeps giving him advice on what needs fixing and how to do it, but Josh decided to not listen to Jesus and instead kicks Him out of the car. As Josh continues to go down the road the car gets more damaged and becomes more unreliable until he gets to a point where he knows he needed Jesus back in the car. He prays, and as he looks in his rear-view mirror he notices that Jesus was sitting there the whole time, saving him in key moments of danger.

In a time of response at the end of the evening we saw many young people respond to needing to put Jesus back in the driving seat of their lives and make

new commitments to faith.

We know that God did many things in the hearts and minds of our young people! If you missed out and weren't able to come you can watch the whole event right [here!](#)



## A Gift For You

We've also got a gift for you! We've done some research into some great resources that you can bring to your youth sessions that continue the conversation around our identity in Christ:

- Ministry to Youth (small group lessons, with Scriptures and questions that help hold a conversation about Identity) [Find it here.](#)
- Global Ministries (Bible study called 'A Potato and My Identity') [Find it here.](#)
- Youth Download (Sermon series called 'Known') [Find it here.](#)
- YouTube video animation that looks at identity. [Find it here.](#)



*\*Please feel free to use this image for any of your youth sessions!*

## Join Us For February's Glow

We can't wait for our next Glow event happening on February 26 with Joe Hardy coming to lead worship and Tim Alford coming to share on the topic of Friendship and Relationships. If you know you are coming, you can book on [right here!](#)



## Creation Fest 2023

Are you planning on coming to Creation Fest Summer Festival 2023? Join us from the 3rd to the 6th of August as we gather celebrate the good news of the God who loves us. We're going to launch our booking line at the end of this month! If you're planning on bringing a group you can apply to get your unique booking code right [here!](#)

## Mapping The Community Day

Jesus has commissioned us to 'GO' and make disciples. What can we learn about being sent from Luke 10? We will be exploring principals of community engagement, getting Christians and non-Christians alike involved in proclaiming the Kingdom, and tools for mapping mission opportunities where you are. You can let us know you're coming [here](#).

Thursday 24 of November, 10:00am - 12:00pm.

## A2 Night and Connect Gathering

If you're around to join us in Bath at St Matts on Widcombe Hill for our next A2 night. There is so much to look forward to: Inflatable bouncy boxing and gladiator, Fire pit, Tuck shop, A2 worship, Talk from Sarah Yardley. You can book on for the event [here!](#)

Friday 25 November 2022, 7pm – 9pm.

## Three Things We Love Right Now!

The Reason For God, by Timothy Keller - This book answers some of those tricky questions that young people have, as well as giving us insight to some of the scepticism of this world. You can listen [here](#).

We The Kingdom, by We The Kingdom - Their self titled album has a great blend of contemporary Christian music that is a blast to listen to. You can hear it [here](#).

Cross Examined YouTube channel - Dr. Frank Turek looks at the truth claims that are made against the Bible. Another great channel that helps us answer the tricky questions our young people have! Watch it [here](#).



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With joy,

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