



# Event Diary

Area Youth Coordinator

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## Life !

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### Regional Youth Services

- bCyr. Bus to this goes from Baptists so contact Fi. Third Saturday of the month. Starting September 09 again. [www.bcyr.org.uk](http://www.bcyr.org.uk)
- The MIX. Mark Close of HT usually goes to this, so contact him. First Sunday of the Month. [Wwww.themix.org.uk](http://www.themix.org.uk)
- The Zone. First and Third Sunday in the evening at Christchurch Clevedon. [lizchetland@fastmail.co.uk](mailto:lizchetland@fastmail.co.uk)

I have in front of me Youth-work for September, with its main cover article being 'The Sex Talk'. There is a lot of good advice in this article, all be it scary to open such a conversation with young people.

Well I don't have any easy answer I am sorry to say. The article on Sex talks about being open and honest, and to do this requires a relationship. It talks about being active, involving the young people in the discussion, listening to them and getting down to specifics. I believe in being positive about the biblical message, not just negative about societies message.

good for us, and remove us from God. Yet we have been redeemed (Rescued, released, brought back—read Hosea) through Jesus putting us back in relationship with God and each other.

I then look at adverts, using sex to sell everything from chocolate (Flake) through to deodorants (Lynx).

These are all difficult and scary things to do, but I would like to draw your attention to Isaiah 52. This is a prophecy to the exiles of Israel. Verse 3 says 'You were sold for nothing, and without money you will be redeemed'. The end of the chapter is the beginning of the prophecy of the suffering servant — Jesus.

I believe it is in these relationships, built as we work together with our young people, that we can fight the many corrupting influences of the society we live in.

It seems that we are banging our head against brick walls with our young people, all of society has such different attitudes to this, and many other, subjects.

One way we do this is with alternate Halloween events.

There are parallels here with the people of Israel who were defeated and taken into exile. In to a different society with very different morals and outlooks.

I know that the following things are happening, Neil Wylie in Clevedon is doing a Recycled Fashion show on the Friday October 30th and Fi in Nailsea is doing a family movie night on Sat 31st. See over for contact details.

How do we respond to this? How do we help our young people through this minefield?

Here is the Good News that we proclaim all in one chapter of the bible. We all are strangers in a strange land, being battered by forces that want us to behave in ways that are not



## Words from the AYC

Well how was the summer for you? I have managed to get in a 10 day holiday on the Isle of Wight and a trip to Soul Survivor.

another one. I hope though that you all are refreshed, or if not you have plans to get away and refresh yourself.

ideas and resources to cope when things are busy.

Talking to one youth leader I found that they had been to at least 2 events with young people, and was planning to go on

'Time for me' we can view as selfish, but it is important. How can we give when we have nothing left. Time for me is necessary to fill us with new



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Want to try something different? The Vision service is for young people, run by young people. The next service on September 26th will be very different to what has been done before.

Please come along to the Wesley Building (Next door to Nailsea Methodist Church) at 7:30 pm for free drinks and cake and let the team know what. You think.

## Local Youth Groups

All start Early September

### Rock Solid

(Contact Mark Close 07891 792661)

Thursdays 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Tithe Barn

### CYFA

(Contact Mark Close 07891 792661)

Various meeting through the week at various places, please contact Mark

### Girls Brigade

(Contact Jane Powell 01275 790327)

Tuesday term time 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Methodist Church

### FAST

(Contact Paul James 07764 430664)

Friday term time 7:15 PM to 8:45 PM Methodist Wesley Centre

### FAST+

(Contact Fi MacDonald 07921 957060)

Friday term time 8:30 PM to 10:00 PM Methodist Wesley Centre

### YPF Southfield

(Contact Kin & Sarah Leong 01275 394344)

Sunday 6:00 - 7:30 PM Southfield Church

### YPF Methodists

(Contact Trudi Gilday 01275 859468)

Some Sundays, 7:30 PM various venues

### Discussion Group

(Contact Martin Canning 01275 462968)

Some Sundays, for 14 – 18 6.00 PM various venues

### 13 Plus

(Contact Bev Kelly 01275 790520)

First and third Sunday of the month, 7.45pm – 9.15pm 14 Kingsmead, Nailsea

**14 2 18** (Contact Paul Reddington 01275 858485)

Once a month 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM St Francis Parish Hall

### Junior Youth Club

(Contact David Watkins 01275 464380)

Monday evenings for 10 – 14 year olds 7:00 to 8:45 Backwell Baptist Church

### Senior Youth Club

(Contact David Watkins 01275 464380)

Monday evenings for 14 + olds 8:00 – 9:30 Backwell Baptist Church

### Other Events

A number of interesting one off events this next couple of months, apart from the 2 mentioned on the front for the end of October.

On Friday 25th September Nailsea Methodist Church are showing the film 'The Age of Stupid' @7:30 PM, entrance is free. It is about a man in 2055 looking back and asking 'Why didn't we stop climate change when we had the chance?'

On Saturday 10th October, again at Nailsea Methodist Church Riding Lights are performing a drama called 'Squeezing the Juice out of Genesis'. This one is again @ 7:30 PM but is charged at £11.00 or £8.00 for concessions. Please contact the church office on 01275 854304.

Lastly, a plug for a Girls Only night every first Friday of the month at Clevedon YMCA. Please contact Neil or Hannah on 01275 878405.

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