

Youth Work... The Mail Out 28th Apr 2008

Fortunately the person I'd upset was full of grace and love, and able to forgive. This experience has been a good reminder that we are all humans, we do get things wrong and sometimes we ourselves can be on the receiving end when others mess up. Now here's the Christian bit! I'm (re)learning that we need to pay grace forward by forgiving others just as we ourselves have been forgiven. It's a great lesson for each of us.

The following may be of some interest...

South Warwickshire Youth Event

The next South Warwickshire Youth Network Worship service will be on Saturday 26th April, 7.30 - 9.00pm at Soli House, Mill Lane in Stratford. All are welcome! We are privileged to have Rachel Saum speaking, who works at Soli House. The event is getting better and better, so it would be great to see you there for worship, teaching, fun and games, the Helen and Mem show, the Comfy Chair and hot chocolate to follow!!

Spark in the Park

I have mentioned this before, Sarah Harrison (Queens Road Baptist Church) is leading a city wide holiday club this coming summer at the War Memorial Park. She has asked me to invite anyone with an interest in this, along to a prayer meeting at Queens Road on the 19th May, 7.30pm. If you want to contact Sarah you can get her on 07961 883372

The Ultimate Event

On Saturday 10th May, Alton Towers will be hosting 'The Ultimate Event' a great day out with access to the park alongside a concert featuring the likes of Delirious, Santus Real, This Beautiful Republic and RPM Live. Last year over 8000 people attended this event. Tickets cost £32 per head with discounts available. For more information contact: <http://www.ultimateevents.org.uk/>

Youth Worker blog

Dre and Josh, Youth Workers from Holy Trinity Coventry have started their own blog. It's worth taking a look:

The Old Grammar School Coventry

I have from time to time mentioned a massive project that I am involved in, which seeks to turn an old grade one listed building into a city centre youth venue in Coventry. Last year the trustees recieved a sizeable amount of money to carry out a feasabiltiy study on the building. We need to be able to demonstrate that the building can pay for itself before the likes of English Heritage etc will even consider investing in it. The study is now coming to an end and I am hopeful that we will be able to make some sort of announcement soon. Please pray for this venture as we have a massive once in a lifetime opportunity. I'll let you all know when theirs more that I can reveal.

First Sunday Youth Event - Leamington Spa

First Sunday is a monthly youth worship event where there is time and space to worship God in the company of other young people from around the area! There is live worship and a word from God. This year the team want to focus on their local community's and make a impact in Leamington Spa! First Sunday is aimed at teenagers but is suited to people of any age who want to worship God :) It happens on the first Sunday of each month at 8pm in Leamington Spa Baptist Church. The next event will take place on April 6th with the theme of 'Spiritual Forces' WWW.FIRST-SUNDAY.COM

What does the Diocesan Youth Officer do?

Over the next week I shall be visiting a detached youth project in Bedworth, speaking about youth work at Bideford on Avon, leading a session on Pioneer ministry at Warwick Gates and visiting the young people at St Pauls Stockingford Nuneaton. Please let me know if you'd like me to visit your group.

Have a great weekend

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