

Bristol and Bath

Autumn Newsletter 2019



Now is the time that God wants to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children. Malachi 4 v 6

The National Parenting Initiative is called to inspire and mobilise churches to play their part in seeing this prophecy fulfilled in their local community. We believe we are called to do this by encouraging churches to run parenting courses and supporting them as they do so.

Together4Bristol (T4B) is a growing movement of churches, prayer groups and networks across the 'whole of life', to help the Christian community be good news for the Bristol region. **The Family Sphere's** mission is to inspire and mobilise the churches and Christian community to be involved in God's transformation of family life in Bristol.

<https://www.together4bristol.org.uk/>



SAVE THE DATE

The **Family Sphere** is hosting a conference in 2020:

Transforming Families in Bristol

EQUIPPING GOD'S PEOPLE TO BRING
HOPE TO FAMILIES AND COUPLES

Join us on **Saturday 6th June 2020**
at Christchurch Clifton for a day of
talks, seminars and worship, to equip



and inspire you to bring hope to families across the city.

“Handling Anger in the family” is just one of the courses covered in Care for the Family’s series Time out for Parents.

This is a 4 week course, 2 hours in each session. The course helps us to recognise our own anger patterns and triggers, and share practical ideas of how to combat them. We then look at our children’s anger and how we can help them to express it safely. Some comments from a recent course:

“I found it very useful with lots of practical tips.”

“I have learned a lot of strategies to help myself and my children.”

“Meeting with, and discussing issues with others is invaluable.”

“Well run and helpful course.”

It has been a joy to hear parents sharing ideas that have worked in their particular family situations, and to see the smiles on their faces as they realise they aren’t alone.

<https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/>



Strengthening family life.

How could your church support disadvantaged families in your community?

Come along to experience what a Kids Matter parenting programme is like by taking part in our taster session.

Thursday 7th November.

11.00am -12.30pm

Venue: St Stephens, Southmead, Bristol.

BS10 6DP

To RSVP or for more details, please contact

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If you are interested in running a Parenting Course for parents in your local community, you can find some excellent resources by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.thenpi.org.uk/Groups/314936/Courses.aspx>

If your church or network of churches, would like us to come and talk to you to about the parenting resources that are available contact Jayne Groves:

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