

... BECAUSE **JESUS CHRIST** IS THE ONLY **HOPE** FOR OUR NATION

WHY GET INVOLVED?

Jesus Christ has shaped our nation and influenced its culture more than any other person. He alone can provide a solid foundation and a robust fabric for our society.

Yet the truths, values and behaviour consistent with that foundation are under attack. There is growing pressure to exclude Jesus Christ from the public domain, consigning Him instead to the realm of the 'private and personal'. Increasingly, Christians are encountering attempts to restrict their freedom to speak and live in accordance with biblical teaching in the workplace and in public life.

It would be all too easy for the Church to shut herself behind closed doors and for her voice to the nation to fall silent. In many quarters, such a crisis of confidence has already taken root and for that we must repent and seek mercy from the LORD.

In these times of change and challenge, it is vital that the Church regain her confidence that Jesus Christ is the only hope for our nation and that she speak with clarity, compassion and courage of the life to be found in Him alone – for His sake and for the sake of a society that so greatly needs Him.

It is this conviction that Jesus Christ is good news for all and the desire that our nation would receive Him rather than reject Him that has given rise to the Not Ashamed campaign.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ...

To find out more, visit the 'NOT ASHAMED' website:
www.notashamed.org.uk or call 020 3327 1133.

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NOT ASHAMED

1ST DECEMBER 2010

WEAR THE SYMBOL

DECLARE THE HOPE

SHARE THE VISION

WHAT IS 'NOT ASHAMED'?

'NOT ASHAMED' is an opportunity for Christians across the UK to stand together and to express our confidence that Jesus Christ is good news not just for individuals or for the church but also for our nation as a whole. He is the only true hope for our society.

WHEN WILL IT TAKE PLACE?

Wednesday 1st December 2010 has been designated 'NOT ASHAMED' day. It is the focal point of the initiative but the campaign will run throughout the Autumn and continue into Advent.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

You can get involved in the 'NOT ASHAMED' movement by wearing the symbol, declaring the hope and sharing the vision. These are explained in more detail overleaf.

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WEAR THE SYMBOL

We hope that on 'NOT ASHAMED' day and in the weeks leading up to it, thousands of Christians will be wearing the 'NOT ASHAMED' symbol of the cross, available on a range of items from the website (www.notashamed.org.uk).

Substantial discounts are available for bulk orders – ideal for churches, youth groups and Christian organisations.



'NOT ASHAMED' day will also see the delivery of the following 'Declaration of Christian Hope for our Nation' to leading figures in public life. Please visit the website to add your name to it (www.notashamed.org.uk).

A DECLARATION OF CHRISTIAN HOPE FOR OUR NATION

WE BELIEVE that Jesus Christ is good news for our nation. He is the only true hope and solid foundation for our society.

WE CALL on government, employers and other leaders in our country to protect the freedom of Christians to participate in public life without compromising biblical teaching and to promote in our society the values that are revealed through Jesus Christ and that have so shaped our nation, for the good of all.

DECLARE THE HOPE

The high visibility of the campaign should give rise to many opportunities to explain to friends, neighbours, colleagues, family and others why Jesus Christ is such good news for individuals and for our society.

The former Archbishop of Canterbury, Lord Carey, is writing a short booklet explaining why Christians are 'NOT ASHAMED' of Jesus Christ and His cross. Available in good time for 'NOT ASHAMED' day, we hope that, with the partnership of local churches, it will reach every home in the land during Advent.

SHARE THE VISION

We hope and pray that God will use this campaign to help place the hope of Christ at the heart of our nation as His Church regains her confidence in Him and speaks of the life that is to be found only in Him.

Please pray and spread the word. Please encourage other Christians and church members to visit the website and to join the 'NOT ASHAMED' movement.