

other trusted adults. Hearing the story of the 'Two House Builders' and thinking about how Jesus can be our ultimate foundation. Always there to listen, help and guide us through whatever is going on in our lives.


Who Cares (Nov - Dec 23) Thinking about the people that care about us, the people that we care about and the things that we care about. People like our family and friends, teachers, sports coaches and other adults that look out for us. Things like our school, the environment, global warming and recycling. Hearing the story about 'Jonah the Groaner' and how God cared so much for the people of Ninevah that he sent a reluctant Jonah to get them to change their evil ways. Even though they had been doing some pretty awful things, God wanted to forgive them and show them how much He loved them. Helping the young people to understand that God loves each one of them and knows how special they are, even when they do things wrong, Father God forgives them because of what Jesus did for us.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

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128,000 views - 465 subscribers - 4,200 watch hours

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VYM Mission Statement

“Working with young people to help them realise that God loves each one of them.”

Update from Richard our Treasurer

Unfortunately during our September Trustees meeting we had to take the difficult decision to reduce Daniel's hours due to a shortfall in funding. Over the past few years we have found it increasingly difficult to find grant providers, but were hopeful that a grant application made earlier this year would be fruitful. This however wasn't to be as our application was unsuccessful. Therefore the Trustees have decided to prioritise the work Daniel is currently doing in the existing 21 schools, and sustaining these relationships will remain our priority for the academic year 2023/24. This means that our future plans have been put on hold whilst we try to secure some additional funding. If you know of any possible funding sources, or would like to get involved with fund raising then please email richard@vineyouthministry.org.uk

May I take this opportunity to thank all of our existing sponsors for their continued support. If you feel that this work is something you would like to financially support, then please drop me an email and I will be happy to send you the details.

An Update from Daniel

The start of this term proved to be a real challenge, trying to fit all of my existing school into 2 days. The schools have been extremely accommodating and I have managed to book half termly visits in 20 of these schools for the rest of this academic year. Some of the larger schools need 2 visits each half term as the assemblies are split between different age groups. I am now visiting approximately 3500 children every half term, with roughly 135+ collective worships (assemblies) in my diary before the schools break up in July 2024.

It never grows old seeing the excitement on the young people's faces when I visit, but it's frustrating that we cannot offer to visit more often or support any new schools. Over the past 12 months it's finally felt like things have returned to normal since the pandemic,

only to be hampered by a lack of funding. For the time being I shall however rejoice in the work we are able to do, and thank God for the wonderful response I receive from the children, teachers and staff that He has put before me. I wait eagerly for what God has planned next!

The 20 schools we are currently supporting:

All Saints - Bishops Caundle, All Saints - Montacute,
Ashlands - Crewkerne, Birchfield - Yeovil, Buckland Newton,
Haselbury Plucknett, Hinton St George, Holy Trinity - Yeovil,
Horsington, Norton-Sub-Hamdon, Sherborne Abbey,
Sherborne Primary, St Andrews - Yetminster,
St Andrews - Weymouth, St Bartholomew's - Crewkerne,
St Mary's - Bradford Abbas, St Nicholas - Henstridge,
Thornford, Trent Young's, West Chinnock,

Christmas Resources

There are several videos available that may come in useful as we head towards the festive season. These include songs, bible stories and complete assemblies. How do you find them? Just go to YouTube and search for **VineYouthMinistry**



This terms assembly themes:

Firm Foundations (Sept - Oct 23) - Understanding what a foundation is and what it does to support a building. Exploring the idea that our lives need a firm foundation and thinking about the types of people that make up that foundation. People we can trust, rely on, confide in, go to for advice. People like our families, friends, teachers and