

# Supporting EVENTS WEEK 2020

3-7 February 2020

Cambridge Inter-collegiate Christian Union



## What is Events Week?

Every year, our Christian Union organises a week of events proclaiming the Gospel, taking place over lunchtimes and evenings—pursuing our vision **to make Jesus Christ known to students in Cambridge.**

At Events Week, students get the **opportunity to hear about our faith in Christ**, bringing their questions and looking at God's Word with the help of some gifted evangelists, all in an environment where other students are asking the same questions, and Christian students can share about the life that Jesus offers.

We have seen that hosting a back-to-back **series of events** engages students in a way that standalone events can't do. For some, Events Week has proven to be a culmination of a journey towards Jesus, and for others, it has been a first serious encounter with his claims.

For decades, by God's grace, dozens of students have come to know **Jesus as Lord and Saviour** at these events.





## *Our aims & values*



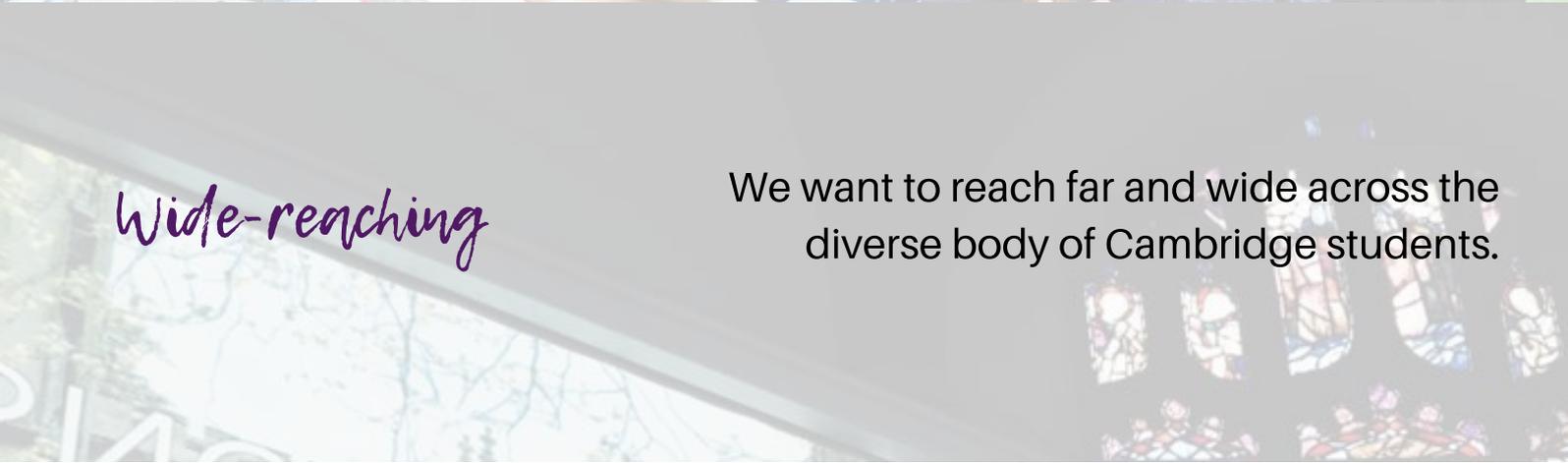
### *Comprehensive*

We want to give every student in Cambridge the opportunity to hear and respond to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



We want to proclaim the Gospel as it is revealed in God's Word.

### *Faithful to Scripture*



### *Wide-reaching*

We want to reach far and wide across the diverse body of Cambridge students.



We want students to be confronted with the Gospel as a personal message of reconciliation with their Creator.

### *Personal*



# Our vision for 2020

## << Pre-Events Week features

In the 3 weeks before Events Week, we hope to organise special events aimed at pointing students towards Events Week, by raising interesting questions about life and giving a glimpse into what the Bible says.

### # Proclaiming

We'll be hosting twice daily talks by two experienced evangelists who have plenty of experience presenting the Gospel faithfully from God's Word to university students. These talks will be tied together by a common theme, and progress further in its proclamation of our faith as the week goes on.

### # Wide reach

We highly value personal friendships and our capacity to bring our friends personally to Events Week. But we also recognise that there are thousands of Cambridge students with no Christian friends. We want to strategically use social media and initial encounter initiatives to publicise Events Week.

### # Global aspect

As of 2018/19, Cambridge students are nationals of 146 different countries. The Gospel is a message of reconciliation for the whole world. We would like to express through our talks and hospitality that the Gospel is transnational—for everyone—and transcends messy borders of our divided world. Before Events Week, we will also hold special events for international students.

### # Collegiate aspect

In Cambridge, so much of life takes place in college. To bring Events Week as close as possible to students in college, we host college guests, who are older Christians (alumni, student evangelists etc.). They support CU members through verbal encouragement and practical help throughout the busy week. We also hope to organise small-scale college level events.

### # Hospitality

There's something about smiling faces, good food, live music, comfortable seats, and an all-round warm atmosphere that not only creates space for good, open conversation but also showcases the beauty and rejoicing in God's kingdom.

### # Creative aspect

Students love to get away from the books and engage with a more creative event, such as a spoken word and live music night. We hope to put on Gospel-grounded performances to help students to see our felt joy and wonder of living in relationship with God, portrayed through art.

## >> Moving forward: Follow-up

For 5 weeks after Events Week, we run a weekly follow-up course looking at the Bible and hearing from Christians. The hope is that guests become disciples of Christ and get plugged into a local church.

# How you can support us

We would really love you to partner with us in this ministry to proclaim the Gospel in Cambridge University. We trust that God will provide everything that we need and will be at work bringing people to new life by his Spirit, so we would love you to support us in this!

## prayer

We would love you to pray with and for us. Some things to pray for can be found on the last page of this booklet, and you can sign up to receive prayer updates in our planning process, on [bit.ly/EWSupporters2020](https://bit.ly/EWSupporters2020).

## financial

If you can joyfully share in this mission financially as well, that would be a great blessing to us! With your help we will be able to fund publicity that can reach widely across the university, gospel texts and other literature to give away to guests, food and drink to share with and welcome our guests, the cost of hiring and decorating our venue so that it is an inviting space for everyone, and accommodation and other provisions for our college guests and speakers. If you would like to support us financially, details for how to do so can be found on the next page.

Thank you for supporting us! We are so grateful that we can work together to see Gospel witness go out in power in our university.



# Supporting us financially

## By cheque

Cheques should be made payable to  
**"Cambridge Inter-Collegiate Christian Union Mission"**  
and posted to **Harry Armitage** at **Corpus Christi College**,  
**Trumpington St, Cambridge CB2 1RH**



## Bank transfer

Transfers should be made to Cambridge  
Inter-collegiate Christian Union Mission,  
**Sort code: 30-91-56**  
**Account number: 0382 8270**



If there are any problems, contact our treasurer  
**Harry Armitage** at [hja33@cam.ac.uk](mailto:hja33@cam.ac.uk)





# Supporting us in prayer

## PRAY FOR

## Detail

### Events Week Committee

*That* we would form strong relationships with one another, and we would grow deeper in our relationship with God throughout the planning process. Also that as we make decisions and plan everything we would be seeking to glorify God, not anyone else.

### CICCU (Christian Union)

*That* the CU would be supportive of the week as a whole, with the speakers, theme and talks; and that we would communicate to them clearly what an Events Week is, why they are so great and what Events Week 2020 will look like.

### Current plans so far

*That* our venue and hospitality would be used effectively for the week. Give thanks for the speakers coming, and pray for wisdom and clarity in their thinking and planning before the week.

### For Cambridge

*That* people will come to Christ throughout the whole year—not just in Events Week; that in the city of Cambridge, over the summer, Michaelmas term, and the time leading up to Events Week, God would be working in many people to come to hear his Word and know his love. Of course, pray that this would continue in Events Week!



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