

Help with your Youth:

Blogs

Elle Campbell – Middle School Ministry - <http://ellecampbell.org/>

YM Answers – podcasts answering topical questions -

<http://ymanswers.com/episode-archive/>

Youth Ministry 360 - <http://youthministry360.com/blog>

Youth Specialities - <http://www.youthspecialties.com/blog/>

Church Tech Today – helpful blog on social media, technology in services -

<http://churchtechtoday.com/>

Resources/Session Plans

Ministry to Youth free sessions - <http://ministrytoyouth.com/youth-group-lessons/>

My Fish Bites - <http://www.myfishbites.com/>

Games

Fun Ninja - <http://funninja.org/>

Ministry to Youth games - <http://ministrytoyouth.com/youth-group-games/>

Design

Canva – it's a free, easy to use, online design app. You can pay to use certain formats or pictures but if you use your own you can download jpgs or pdfs! I

honestly think it is a fantastic resource for making attractive graphics and even for downloadable forms www.canva.com

Substance Issues

FRANK – helpful website with information about drugs which is easy friendly for young people, it also has a phonenumber and online chat feature

<http://www.talktofrank.com/>

Daisy – is a service for those under 21 years old to access support regarding drugs

<http://www.daisy.uk.net/>

Ascertain – works with those with drug & alcohol issues of all ages, also good place to ask regarding best service in your area. Ascertain also do a lot of training regarding this, so if it is an issue in your area or amongst families in your parish you can invite them along to train you and anyone who visits <http://www.ascertain.biz/young-people/getting-help/>

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Young Carers

Action for Children – work with young carers through fun activities & mentoring

<https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/who-we-are/our-work-in-northern-ireland/>

Barnardos – also share some of the young carers support across NI

http://www.barnardos.org.uk/barnardo_s_northern_ireland_service_directory.pdf

Social Work & Legal Support

Gateway Team in Northern Trust – first social work point of contact with those who aren't currently involved, their main contact is 0300 1234 333 with their out of hours number 028 9504 9999.

Gateway Team in Belfast Trust – main contact is 028 9050 7000 and out of hours is 028 9504 9999.

Gateway Team in South Eastern Trust – main contact is 0300 100 0300 and out of hours is (028) 9056 5444.

NICCY – deal with the right of children in regard to services provided to them

<http://www.niccy.org/professionals-practitioners-policymakers/legal-and-investigations/>

Mental Health

Childline – a number for children to call and speak to a trained counsellor, young people can also use the online chat feature or the number – 0800 1111

Samaritans – a free phone line for anyone in distress open 24/7 – 116 123

Lifeline – a free helpline for anyone in distress or despair, or you can call if you are worried about someone or alongside them – 0808 808 8000

Contact NI – are linked with LifeLine but provide their counselling service in person, you can refer adults or young people through an online form

<https://www.contactni.com/referral/child-and-young-person-referral-form.php>

The Big House – camps for young people around positive mental health & faith along with providing training for leaders <http://www.thebighouse.org.uk/>

Flourish – runs training for clergy, leaders across the church to assist, including how to lead a funeral for an individual who has ended their life

www.wewillflourish.com

Help with your Youth:

Organisations working in Northern Ireland which could help with your youth programme

CIYD – the Church of Ireland Youth Department runs Anois for young people, along with training for leaders & writing resources www.ciyd.org

Urban Saints – have a resource called Energize, it is a monthly subscription format with lots of options & can be used for your childrens & youth discipleship -

<http://www.urbansaints.org/region/urban-saints>

Evangelical Alliance – works across churches to help discussion with policy issues across our nation and the UK - <http://www.eauk.org/northern-ireland/>

CARE – work across policy issues in Northern Ireland & the UK and can lead discussions with your group around how they can engage in politics -

<http://www.care.org.uk/about-us/where-we-work/northern-ireland>

Tearfund – Christians hoping to meet where need in the world is greatest, a range of resources for young people considering how they can help -

http://www.tearfund.org/en/about_you/around_the_uk/northern_ireland/

Christian Aid – Christians working across the world to aid with poverty -

<http://www.christianaid.org.uk/aboutus/contact/about/belfast.aspx>

CLB&CGB – Victoria works as the regional worker and can help establish a group or assist in resourcing existing groups - <http://www.clcgb.org.uk/>

Girls Brigade – work to establish and resource local GBs - <http://www.gbni.co.uk/>

Boys Brigade – work to establish and resource local BBs - <http://www.bbni.org.uk/>

Open Doors – work through the persecuted church to enable and support, great resources for young people to begin to understand the challenges and help them send support - http://www.opendoorsuk.org/news/rep_s_ireland.php?nireland

Scripture Union – work throughout schools and running summer camps and missions - <http://suni.co.uk/>

Youth for Christ – aim to work alongside marginalised young people -

<http://www.yfcni.org/>

Summer Madness – run a Christian festival - <http://www.summermadness.co.uk/>

Crosslinks – international mission society - <http://www.crosslinks.org/>

CPAS – works alongside churches to train and develop leadership -

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

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24-7 Prayer – resourcing on prayer rooms and engaging young people in prayer - <https://www.24-7prayer.com/>

Pray for Schools – sign up to pray for local schools, both as leaders and as your youth group - <http://www.prayforschools.org/about-us/regions/pfs-in-northern-ireland/>

Prayer Spaces In Schools – connected with 24/7 prayer and planning to establish prayer spaces in schools both primary and secondary, also great ideas on prayer stations which could be used for youth groups -

<http://www.prayerspacesinschools.com/>

Crown Jesus Ministries – runs The Hub youth event in Belfast and works with schools & churches for creative ministry - <http://www.crownjesus.org/>

Youth Initiatives – work with young people in cross community endeavours - <http://www.youthinitiativesni.com/>

Exodus – run mission opportunities for young people - <http://www.exodusonline.org.uk/>

Youth Link – runs accredited training for youth leaders or older young people, helpful if you want to get your team trained up or want to help some young people gain valuable skills in youth work - <http://www.youthlink.org.uk/>

Christians In Sport – run camps for young people and can come and run sessions in your group, a fabulous one if you have a group who love their sport and want to know how it relates to their faith - <http://www.christiansinsport.org.uk/>

Love for Life – work across schools to share a greater narrative with our young people around relationships & sex, they often provide free sessions educating youth on these issues in a church context - www.loveforlife.org.uk

Play It By Ear - They do performances, workshops and scripts for all occasions. Chris and Ross can come along and perform for your group, or lead them in learning about performing themselves, or write a script for your group to perform. More details at playitbyear.com