# What do we mean when we say we will put Christianity back into the heart of government?

#### Introduction:

Our Christianity is a 'muscular Christianity.' We are aware of the watering down of our faith in the post-WW2 period, and our muscular Christianity is what British Christians have been asking for over the past few decades.

We acknowledge that some Christians will not pick up their cross in the fightback, but will support us in our end goal of reinstating Christianity back into the heart of government. This is what hasn't been done in modern times by any leader or political party - that is to put culture first over the economy. Culture and faith are one and the same thing and the battle we are in is a culture war. Our identity is found in our faith, our faith shapes our beliefs, our beliefs shape our values, and our values form our culture. If we do not defend and promote our faith, we are destined to lose our culture but far more devastating we are destined to lose faith in ourselves. We are not commanded to pray and be tolerant of evil. We are not commanded to shield our faith from others, we are not commanded to be ashamed of who and what we are. We are instead commanded to defend and promote the faith via acts. It is not enough to simply pray, worship and adore. It is a lie to turn the other cheek in the face of evil that is sheer cowardice. We will remind the Christian community that forgiveness is only for those who feel shame and are willing to course correct. We do not and will not allow communists, Islamists and the global cabal continue to attack Christianity whilst we 'turn the other cheek.' Yes, we are called to love our enemies but why has this teaching been so favoured over the right to self-defence and to defend and protect God's church and the most vulnerable within society? You cannot have it both ways. It is time for Christians to back a leader and end the cowardice of political apathy and indifference and bring forth a new dawn of Christian activism. Perhaps Christians choose to ignore history as it suits their agenda to stay in the shadows and out of harms way. The Crusades took place between 1095 and 1699, over 500 years of muscular Christianity standing up against the forces of evil, chaos and barbarism. If we want our country back it is going to have to be taken back. Muscular Christianity is the answer.

One of the largest turnoffs from Christianity for most people today is that Christians are too busy trying to signal how virtuous they are and compete with each other over how righteous they are rather than deal with the world as it actually is. The truth is some modern denominations have drifted so far from the Bible to appease non-believers, that they are no longer Christian in their teachings, instead they've become a hybrid faith based on Western liberal values. Once you remove Christianity's moral standards you are left with a hollow religion that stands for nothing and falls for everything. It is no surprise that since we have watered-down Christianity, we have seen the rise of degeneracy and crime in the Western world. If we wish to see a mass-revival of Christianity, we must return to our Christian roots; the fact Islam is the fastest growing religion in Britain shows that people are looking for higher purpose and a religion pushing conservative values.

## **Debunking the coward's narrative:**

It is a myth that religion and politics do not mix. Every other faith in Britain is highly political and vote in blocks. Even in Christianity left-wing and liberal Christians use their faith as a political tool on a regular basis. It is only conservative Christians who do not engage with politics, to our own detriment.

For Christians, politics and religion should be one and the same thing. Now is the time to act whilst there are still millions of Christians in Britain, as in twenty-year's time if patterns continue, we may find ourselves in the minority.

Being afraid of being called names is not a good enough reason to abstain from politics. Christians are killed on a daily basis across the world for refusing to hide their faith and values. Simply speaking up for what is right, especially when there are little to no consequences for doing so, should be seen as every good Christian's duty. Continued indifference and apathy from middle-class Christians will be the destruction of our faith.

#### The plan:

The life blood of the communities comes from Churches, parishes, and schools. We must end the defunding of Christianity to ensure that our communities can once again flourish. Through education, positive actions, and local Christian role models we will provide an alternative to materialistic atheism.

The party intends to restore biblical principles to public life ensuring that the values of faith, morality and service to God are reflected in our nation's policies and culture. We invite British citizens to rediscover its spiritual foundations for the common good.

## The Policy areas

## **Christian justice:**

The party will offer a referendum on the death penalty. The party believes culture runs downstream from politics and that the state is primarily in place to ensure the survival, prosperity and safety of its citizens and future generations.

The party will actively seek to counter through education the diluting, denigrating, and undermining of Christianity.

**Exposing the establishment cover up over grooming gangs and calling for justice for the victims:** 

An estimated one million native British girls are victims of radical Islam's racism and bigotry. The girls were targeted due to their skin colour and an assumed faith. The party will not stop until both the victims have received reparations, and every single member of the Pakistani grooming gangs is detained and deported and never again allowed to return to Britain and every single complicit politician, councillor, mayor, MP, member of the police force and any other guilty actor is jailed.

## Free speech and freedom of religion:

The party supports freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The party will seek to prioritise funding and promotion of Christianity and create a hostile and discriminatory nature against faiths and ideas designed to subvert Britain's faith (Christianity) and culture.

## Assisted suicide:

The party stands against suicide, assisted or otherwise. The party would repeal the 2024 Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill.

## **Traditional family values:**

Whilst the party does not intend on encroaching on individual liberty and within the family home, we acknowledge the downfall of society as being inextricably linked to the breakdown of the families, the attack on masculinity, on Christian teachings, on moral and ethical conduct and especially the impact of radical feminism. A multifaceted approach is required to combat the root cause of the problem which is liberal ideas and a lack of faith. We will also address the continued watering down of and state-funded attacks on Christianity which we see in everyday life. We will no longer be tolerant of those in positions of power trying to weaken, undermine or disrespect our faith.

The epidemic of anxiety, depression and the constant need for instant gratification derives only and solely from a lack of faith and lack of purpose. There are masculine and feminine sides to the human experience, and it is ridiculous to continue to ignore reality at the detriment of the British people.

## Marriage:

We will repeal the 2013 Marriage Act which allows same sex couples to marry.

A UKIP government would promote marriage and provide financial support to married couples seeking to start families.

## **State authority:**

In Romans 13 we read that God appoints governments and gives them responsibility. When politics is working well and our leaders seek to promote good and restrain evil, we begin to see a society where everyone flourishes as God intends them to, where injustice is challenged and where the powerless are protected. The party we will uphold the freedom to practice Christian faith openly and actively encourage it ensuring no government policy undermines biblical convictions.

## **Candidates:**

Whilst not crucial, the party will place an emphasis on recruiting Christian candidates.

## Activism and the Church:

In 1971 45,000 Christians came together to make a stand in Trafalgar Square at the nationwide Festival of Light. It was the largest gathering of Christians in modern British history, and it was in opposition to secularism and liberalism. What has happened to us since then? UKIP pledges to fund Christian activities in the UK and the teaching through educational institutions of muscular Christianity and the importance of traditional family values. Churches will be funded, supported, and empowered to take a leading role in addressing societal needs such as homelessness, women fleeing domestic violence and addiction recovery.

#### Motherhood:

The Party will ban "claw back clauses" in employment contracts. This is where employers demand that mothers return to work for a certain period after maternity leave, or return all maternity pay to the employer. This traps women in work who might rather be caring for their babies. In return smaller companies will be offered tax breaks if a mother declines to return to work after maternity leave.

The Party will look to provide financial support and tax breaks to pregnant married women, and women who are pregnant as a consequence of rape, to give them the option to take maternity leave for up to three years, per child. Employers would be given generous tax breaks to accommodate the mother's return to work, should she want to, after the maternity leave.

## Abortion:

The party does not support abortion however, we will enshrine in law that all mothers electing for an abortion must first have their child anaesthetised before the abortion. There is more than enough evidence to suggest that after being dismembered and ripped limb from limb babies are often still alive as the spine begins to form at two weeks gestation. As for the argument that babies do not feel pain, due to the enormity of scientific evidence which suggests otherwise, we aren't willing to take that risk. Abortion will only be allowed to happen after the mother has anaesthetised their child first.

It is currently legal to abort a child with a disability up until birth. The Party will criminalise abortion in this instance. The legal limit for abortion will be reduced from 24 weeks to 20 weeks unless there is a direct threat to the mother's life. IVF and surrogacy will only be available for married heterosexual couples. Other couples will be encouraged to adopt. We will provide greater support for parents facing prenatal challenges ensuring they receive compassionate care alternatives to termination. The party will do everything within its power to make termination within the limit of 20 weeks absolutely a last resort rather than a first option.

## **Abortion clinics:**

There are 162 abortion clinics in the UK. The party would close half of these and re-direct funding elsewhere.

#### **Buffer zones:**

These will be abolished and designated Christian pastoral teams will be put in place to offer the most vulnerable within society the care, compassion and love they so require. These teams will not be intrusive and are there to provide optional advice if requested.

## Feminism:

The ideology of feminism has led to the "I hate men campaign," where women are told to abandon motherhood in favour of working for big corporations who treat them like cattle. Simultaneously, young people are unable to find suitable partners in their twenties, which limits their ability to have large families.

The state should play no part in fostering an anti-family culture and instead actively promote the importance of young people being responsible and starting families for the benefit of their wellbeing, mental health, and wider society.

The party will also end the freedom of consequences culture in which socialism fosters and replace it with 'actions have consequences' policies.

## Family:

Marriage is part of the fundamental architecture of a functioning society. The Party believes that mothers should have the option to be able to stay at home and raise their children, without worrying about financial troubles.

The Party believes that marriage is the best framework for the rearing of children and that child rearing is one of the most important contributions to society. It is therefore our intent to minimise the tax burden on married parents.

Alongside income tax breaks, the party will abolish inheritance tax in support of traditional family structures which are the cornerstone of a healthy, functioning society. The Party will look to reform the adoption system in order to provide better outcomes for orphaned children. Priority for adoption or fostering will be given to married heterosexual couples.

The party supports home-schooling and would seek to improve the current system with more state investment.

#### **Education:**

During schooling it will be a daily requirement for children to recite the Lord's prayer, Christian hymns and biblical teachings in assembly and throughout the day to nurture a generation grounded in faith and virtue. We will ensure that religious education emphasises Christian doctrine as the moral foundation for society.

## Public holidays and national displays:

The party supports the reintroduction of Holy days as public holidays and the promotion of Christian parades to remind citizens of our collective commitment to God.

A mixture of solemnities and Saints feast days will be announced and celebrated including public displays of devotion and worship including parades and Christian related marketing.

1<sup>st</sup> January - The Blessed Virgin Mary the Holy Mother of God (New Year's Day)*Reason: remind the public of the sanctity of motherhood and Godly role of women* 

1<sup>st</sup> March – St David's Day *Reason: St David is the patron saint of Wales.* 

17<sup>th</sup> March – St Patrick's Day *Reason: St Patrick is the patron saint of Northern Ireland.* 

19<sup>th</sup> March – Saint Joseph *Reason: remind the public of the sanctity of fatherhood and the importance of masculinity and its true meaning* 

Easter – Resurrection of the Lord *Reason: The life, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord are the central tenants of Christianity, they should be observed publicly.* 

#### 23rd April - St George's Day

Reason: St George was a Christian Roman who demonstrates how assimilation to another country works based on faith and core values. Saint George's stories inspires both young men and women to follow noble and gallant lives.

## 1st November – All Saints Day (St Andrews Day)

*Reason: On this special day we are reminded of the importance of the Saints and their purpose in helping us find courage and strength against our enemies and against evil works.* 

## 25th December - Nativity of the Lord

Reason: The birth of Christ begins the new covenant with Christians which should be celebrated and in so doing we begin to reject the commercialisation of the liturgical season of Christmas and instead focus on the holiness, meaning and importance of the season.

## Sex, Gender, and the indoctrination of children to LBGTQIA+ ideology:

The Party does not recognise any notion of transgenderism. Nobody is born in the wrong body. The Gender Recognition Act will be repealed, and single sex spaces will be protected in law, based on biology. Men entering female spaces without good cause will be considered a sex offender. The Party will create a new offence of infringement on a protected single-sex environment, under which any biological male (over the age of 12) who is found to have deliberately entered a female changing room, toilet, or any other space which is designated as for females only, without good cause, can face a fine of £5,000 for the first offence, which doubles with every subsequent offence, and 5 years prison time after the third offence.

The Party will repeal the Gender Recognition Act. The NHS will not offer gender reassignment surgery or treatments of any kind. Individuals presenting with gender identity problems will be referred to a reputable therapist who rejects gender ideology. NHS facilities will be banned from displaying any flags or symbols associated with this ideology, including badges and lanyards worn by members of staff. The Party will end any educational programs directed to children under 18, which promote or encourage any sexual activity for whatever reason. The Party will outlaw the promotion of transgender ideologies in schools.

## **Voluntarism:**

Data from the 2023 Charities Aid Foundation's (CAF) UK Giving report

found that only 13% of people said they volunteered in the previous year, compared with 17% pre-pandemic, representing about 1.6 million fewer people volunteering over the past five years. CAF's report also reveals that volunteering is overwhelmingly the preserve of elderly people: only 6% to 7% of people aged 16 to 44 had volunteered in the past year, and just 5% of 45 to 54 year-olds. At least 10% of those aged 65 and older, in contrast, had volunteered. The Party believes volunteering is the lifeblood of community and the decline of volunteering is linked to the ratchet effect of regulation which, once implemented, is difficult to undo, and the disintegration of a formerly high-trust society, which is what prompts the regulation in the first place. Insurance and safety stipulations often strangle social initiatives at birth. Time-consuming vetting processes can also act as a deterrent to volunteering. The Party will establish a committee to report on barriers to volunteering with a view to deregulating small scale social initiatives. The Party believes that volunteering is a useful way for people, particularly pensioners, to stay active and socially engaged, and as such, there will be movement to link benefit payments to voluntary work.

#### **Restoration of public faith symbols:**

All public sector buildings will be required to display a cross or crucifix. Christian relics and symbols play an important part in engaging people in the faith and serve as a reminder of the importance of forgiveness and prayer.

## Parliament:

All elected Members of Parliament will have the option to put their hand on a bible to be sworn in or pledge allegiance to the Monarch. Each sitting of The House of Commons, local and county council will begin with the Lord's prayer.

*Reason: This practice was first introduced in 1558 and serves as a reminder of the oath Parliamentarians are under and of the importance of quiet reflection.*