



HOPE FOR **JUSTICE**

Change lives. End slavery.

HOPE SUNDAY OVERVIEW

Hosting a Hope Sunday is a great opportunity for your whole church, as you become part of unlocking freedom and helping to change lives and end slavery.

Here at Hope for Justice we firmly believe that Jesus' answer to everything lies within the Local Church, and that we can proactively be His hands and feet in our towns and cities.

People in our communities are the key to freedom for the survivors that Hope for Justice help: men, women and children around the world.

Hosting a Hope Sunday lets you as a church leader confirm with your congregation your desire to do as it speaks in Psalm 72: "For he will deliver the needy who cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help. He will take pity on the weak and the needy and save the needy from death. He will rescue them from oppression and violence, for precious is their blood in his sight."

HOPE FOR JUSTICE WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE TOOLS TO SHARE THIS VISION:

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

This will include a poster and ad reel to promote your Hope Sunday

MEDIA CONTENT

This will include a video of a rescue story, slides and images you can use

IMPACTFUL RESCUE STORIES

We will share stories about lives recently rescued from traffickers and now healing in freedom

ADVICE AND TIPS

Our experienced team will ensure your Hope Sunday goes as smoothly and as successfully as it possibly can!

"Trafficking in human beings is one of the greatest scandals and tragedies of our age. I am encouraged to see that Hope for Justice is drawing so many together to speak out and act against this injustice. The world urgently needs to wake up to the scale of human trafficking that is modern-day slavery."

-- The Most Revd Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury --



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REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Your congregation will leave Hope Sunday equipped and empowered not only with awareness of human trafficking and its impact on society but with a clearer idea about being part of the solution.

We know the weight attached to Sunday services for you and want to make sure your experience of a Hope Sunday is nothing but smooth sailing. We will truly work alongside you, partnering with you and your church! We will liaise with you as church leader prior to a Hope Sunday, ensuring complete peace of mind for the day.

When you register your interest, we will provide you with a suggested running order and the details of the logistics of the day for planning with your teams. We will also provide you with access to an online resource from where you can download all of the material you need for the day.

We work with hundreds of churches around the world and we are firm believers in the immense power of the local church to do amazing good. We will equip you with all the tools you need and we are here to serve you.

If you do not feel able to do your own talk, we are sometimes able to provide a trained speaker from Hope for Justice to come to your church. You can discuss this with us when you register your interest.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN HOSTING A HOPE SUNDAY TODAY!
VISIT: WWW.HOPEFORJUSTICE.ORG/HOPE-SUNDAY-REGISTRATION

*"If we're going to see the end of slavery, we're going to need the local church.
We're going to need you."*

-- Ben Cooley, CEO, Hope for Justice --

OUR MISSION IS PART OF GOD'S MISSION

We believe that our mission to end modern-day slavery is part of the mission of God revealed through scripture.

One of the running narratives in the Bible is that God desires to bring liberation and restoration to those held in captivity.

Starting with the liberation of the Israelites in Exodus, and running all the way to the restoration of Heaven and Earth of Revelation, the Bible constantly reveals a God who cares about rescuing, restoring, and reforming the world.

In the Gospels, Jesus declares this mission at the start of His ministry in Luke 4:16-20. There, Jesus goes to the synagogue in the town of Nazareth and reads from Isaiah 61. He says: "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because He has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."

After reading this, Jesus sits down and declares, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." This is a powerful moment. It is powerful because it reveals the purpose of the ministry of Jesus.

He came to proclaim good news to the poor, bring freedom to the oppressed and captive, and recovery to those who need it. But not only does it reveal the purpose of Jesus' ministry, it also affirms God's overarching mission for the world. God deeply cares about liberating and restoring those who are held in captivity.

Today, Hope for Justice strives to bring liberation and restoration to those held in the bondage of modern slavery.

We seek to end it by rescuing victims, restoring lives, and reforming society. We do this because we believe God has called all of those who follow him to this mission.

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- Psalm 72



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GROWING THE GUARDIAN MOVEMENT

*“For freedom Christ has set us free.”
Galatians 5*

A GUARDIAN rescues victims of slavery, restores their dreams and reforms society.

They are our amazing community of regular givers who fund freedom by giving at least £15 a month to Hope for Justice. We rely on the support of our GUARDIANS to continue changing lives and ending slavery.

We wouldn't be able to do this without them and they are a vital part of our movement.

During Hope Sunday, we want to raise awareness about trafficking, but we also want to inspire your congregation to take a stand and see the impact that they can have by supporting our work.

We value the opportunity to be able to come and speak to your congregation about Hope for Justice and to be able to give them the chance to fund freedom if they feel inspired to do so.

The way we would normally do this would be by placing a GUARDIAN form, along with a pen, on each chair ahead of the talk, and to show a short film demonstrating the impact each individual can make. The congregation is then invited to sign up to be a GUARDIAN.

We will discuss this approach with you ahead of the event to ensure you are happy with this process and if necessary, we can discuss alternative ways for the GUARDIAN concept to be presented.

We do not have any targets or expectations from the church or the congregation, we are just incredibly grateful to be able to share our vision and have the opportunity to inspire people to take action.

“We love to make time in our gigs to talk about important causes like the one Hope for Justice fights for; we believe highlighting these kinds of issues is a huge part of worship.”

-- Patrick Thompson, Rend Collective --



LOTTIE'S STORY

Lottie* came to England four years ago on the promise of work. She was betrayed and kept as a domestic slave, a modern-day Cinderella. She had to live in an unfurnished room, fed on scraps, literally the leftover scraps of the meals of the family she was providing for. She was working seven days a week, often 14 hours a day. During this time, she was raped, and the product of that rape was a beautiful son.

Her son was born into slavery, and Lottie could not allow that for him. She found out about Hope for Justice and called us.

From conversations with Lottie, it emerged that there was just one occasion during the week when she was left alone in the house for one hour on a particular day. Hasty arrangements were made for two investigators to rescue her and her son.

As the investigators approached the address just a few hours later, Lottie peered nervously out of a window and then opened the door as the investigators identified themselves. When they did, Lottie burst into tears and fell into the arms

of one of our investigators, who reassured her that she and her son were both now safe.

Lottie's meagre possessions were put into the boot of the car and both she and her son were taken to a safe address.

Upon rescue, Lottie and her son were provided with clothing, footwear and food from donations from supporters of Hope for Justice and she burst into tears and said "I feel so relieved I am lightheaded!"

It was so moving to see her in the safe house later, emotional but happy. She pointed to her son, peaceful and fast asleep on the bed. It was the first time she had seen her son sleep as a free person; she knew he'd be able to eat, and she wouldn't have to worry about where the next meal was coming from.

Thanks to Hope for Justice's generous and dedicated supporters, Lottie and her son have freedom, and the opportunities we take for granted. Life for them is going to be so different.

**Name changed to protect the identity of the trafficking survivor.*



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ABOUT MODERN SLAVERY

Modern slavery is an abhorrent crime involving the exploitation of human beings. Despite legislation to abolish slavery being passed more than 200 years ago, there are millions of people living in modern slavery around the world, including tens of thousands here in the UK.

Modern slavery is a complex crime taking different forms, encompassing slavery, servitude, forced and compulsory labour and human trafficking. Someone is in slavery if they are forced to work through mental or physical threat; owned or controlled by an 'employer', usually through mental or physical abuse or the threat of abuse; dehumanised, treated as a commodity or bought and sold as 'property'; or physically constrained with restrictions placed on their freedom of movement. Hope for Justice exists to bring an end to modern slavery by rescuing victims, restoring lives and reforming society. We are working across four continents and will not stop until all are free.

TESTIMONIALS ABOUT THE WORK OF HOPE FOR JUSTICE

THERESA MAY, PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM:

"I am grateful for the important work Hope for Justice is doing to tackle modern-day slavery."

CHIEF CONSTABLE SHAUN SAWYER, DEVON & CORNWALL POLICE, NATIONAL POLICE LEAD FOR MODERN SLAVERY:

"Hope for Justice is among those organisations taking the lead in addressing the issue of modern day slavery in today's Great Britain. Their organisation is the only NGO working from the point of rescue right through to advocacy."

DET SUPT NICK WALTON, WEST MIDLANDS POLICE, PUBLIC PROTECTION UNIT:

"Hope for Justice remain a key partner in the fight against slavery and human trafficking."

VICTIM RESCUED BY HOPE FOR JUSTICE:

"It's difficult to express everything we want to say... You are not ordinary mortals but superheroes. It is too hard to describe how great you are! Today we have everything thanks to you. We know how it feels to live. You gave us back our faith in ourselves and faith in dreams that can come true."



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