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## Come follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As a diocese we have identified evangelism as one of three key priorities. Our vision is for the two million people in our diocese to encounter a church that is confident in the gospel.

When the 'TalkingJesus' research was produced two years ago ([www.talkingjesus.org/research/](http://www.talkingjesus.org/research/)) it showed the crucial importance of all Christians sharing their faith and not leaving it to the professionals. We know a repeated theme across our diocese is a need to grow in confidence in telling the story of Jesus and this is where 'TalkingJesus' can help.

The research has been followed up by a short 'TalkingJesus' course, to help people to share their faith confidently and naturally. It is excellent quality and down to earth. The 'TalkingJesus' course provides a unique approach with a clear goal of equipping Christians simply to make the most of everyday opportunities to help friends, colleagues and family members to consider Jesus for themselves and become his followers; something that is easily achievable for all of us.

Please find enclosed a complimentary copy of the course to use in your church/benefice/fresh expression. It is six practical, video based teaching sessions with inspirational testimonies and real life examples from people who are Talking Jesus. There are also five short parable-style films designed to get you thinking.

We commend this course and ask you to consider running it in your church or among a cluster of churches. We think that 'TalkingJesus' can genuinely help every church be even more effective in evangelism and for us all to grow in confidence of the gospel. If you want advice on this please contact the Local Mission Dept who will be delighted to help you.

Please send any experiences of sharing this material and any comments or questions to the Mission Dept ([richard.barrett@lichfield.anglican.org](mailto:richard.barrett@lichfield.anglican.org) or 01543 622592)

For more information and details about ordering more resources go to [www.talkingjesus.org](http://www.talkingjesus.org).

Yours in Christ,

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