



## Core Issues Trust - Newsletter: December 2019

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IFTCC Vice Chairman Dr (med) Christl Vonholdt signs the 2019 [Declaration in Support of Therapeutic Choice](#) in Budapest, Hungary in November. Flanked by (seated Board members) Jens-Fredrik Brenna, Dr Laura Haynes, Dermot O'Callaghan, Dr (med) Keith Vennum (Alliance), Andrea Williams; and with those standing - speakers from the USA, Poland, Norway and the United Kingdom.



### GAY YESTERDAY

**It's definitely time to count our blessings: the season of Advent and the joy of Christmas! We eagerly look forward to 2020 and to both the challenges put upon us and those we will take up!**

I am honoured to be working with the teams that do so much to forward our cause and to speak our truth. CIT Creative Director Fred Williams, leading our Communications Team will be taking on a wider role in telling our story and reporting on our issues, events, supporters and detractors, internationally. Thanks to the social media and web teams developing all of our YouTube and Facebook platforms as well as our websites – their work is especially valued.

How blessed we are to have [co-worker Matthew Grech](#) to continue to develop the work of Core Issues Trust, especially in collaboration with churches in different countries. We remember with gratitude our time together with two Surrey churches recently for the "Changed by Love" Campaign (over). His unique call is a good creative blend with the Trust's goals. His involvement will give me more time to focus on the IFTCC, (The International Federation for Therapeutic and Counselling Choice, [iftcc.org](#)) which is also poised for expansion and new development. This is a project we support, along with our partners throughout Europe, Asia and North America.

The ["Gay Yesterday" campaign](#) in Warsaw Poland in October was another exciting opportunity for us, together with friends in Poland, to share our stories at the OSCE, Europe's largest human rights forum.

All of this is possible because of those individuals and organisations supporting us faithfully. Would you partner with us, or continue to do so in the coming year, to ensure we continue to offer an alternative point of view pointing to Christ and our Christian foundations which protect our societies? [Debit Order Details here.](#)

**Mike Davidson, CEO Core Issues Trust**



Mike Davidson (UK) Alexandra (Ola) Leńnik (PL) and Matthew Grech (MT) at the OSCE for "Gay Yesterday" Campaign, September 2019



It was great to contribute to the "Athens and Jerusalem: sexuality in theological and philosophical perspective", 15-16 September 2019 in Warsaw.

## New Co-Worker Appointment

**Matthew Grech** (born June 24, 1989) is a Maltese worship leader, singer/songwriter, music producer and biblical sexuality activist. His bold public witness on X-Factor Malta in 2018 placed him and his country in an international spotlight. Grech stood for biblical marriage and celebrated his freedom from an unwanted homosexual lifestyle.

CIT amplified Matthew's voice at a time when his militant opponents harassed him and tried to silence him. Matthew formed a strategic bond with CIT Director Mike Davidson, and both began to work closely together to fight the current threats on gender confidence in Europe, and the rest of the world. Matthew is now CIT co-worker, actively serving CIT's European and global mission in the area of media, music and public relations.



**CIT Co-worker  
Matthew Grech**

*"Working alongside Mike has been such an eye-opener. I've been a Spirit-filled Christian for 10 years, but through my involvement with CIT, I truly found revelation, insight and hope to overcome SSA's. Leaving a homosexual relationship was a first step to freedom. But I never had in-depth scientific teaching to understand my core issues. The thought of looking up key counsellors in the field never crossed my mind. I felt stranded and hindered for years. It was through this ministry that I found the tools and resources required to find breakthrough for my future. CIT has also practically ministered to my needs to fulfil my God-given ministry. Eternally grateful."*



"Changed by Love" was a collaborative witness to LGBTI Pride in Surrey in August this year which brought friends and members of two Surrey churches together with Core Issues Trust to affirm the Gospel's outreach and love of the Lord Jesus Christ, to all men and women



Above: Signing of Global Rainbow-Crosser Alliance (GRCA) Declaration of Human Rights in Taipei in October, 2019

In a collaborative initiative with two Surrey Churches (Bethel Christian Assembly and Word of Life, Woking) on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> of August, Core Issues Trust participated in the "["Changed by Love, Grace without Borders"](#)" Campaign" (image above). This was to respond to the LGBTI's "Pride in Surrey" event.

We were blessed by Pastor Simon and Pastor Eddy's participation alongside many members and friends from both congregations. Invitations were distributed to the Live event broadcasted on Facebook that evening and services the following day in the two towns associated with the churches.



Above: Rainbow 7 CEO Jenny Li and Mike Davidson (CIT) sit in front of the 7 natural colours of the Rainbow. "Rainbow Crossers" leave the false rainbow (Rainbow 6) as reflected in the LGBT flag for the true light of "Rainbow 7"

### Two initiatives emerging

Some of us were privileged to be invited to contribute to the **Global Rainbow Crosser Alliance** event in Taipei in October. Vocal artists Matthew Grech, Ola Lešnik and Angel Colon (bottom left) renewed their connections and sang with other artists and musicians to a capacity auditorium of 1200 supporting participants from all parts of Taiwan (image at footer). The Event included the signing of the GRCA Declaration of Human Rights (image above, left).

### Attendees at the 5<sup>th</sup> annual IFTCC conference in Hungary in November 2019



We were thrilled to see the blessing and encouragement many found in attending the **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Federation for Therapeutic and Counselling Choice (IFTCC)** that was held in Hungary 15-17 November. This also culminated in the signing of a [Declaration in Support of Therapeutic Choice](#). The Conference was attended by more than 200 persons, a large proportion of professionals, from 25 different nations.



Above: Vocal artists Angel Colon, Ola Lešnik and Matthew Grech sang to a capacity audience of GRCA supporters (below)

