



Core Issues Trust Update: April 2019

Figure 1 The Music team from Malta with Niel - from Christian Concern, and Mike

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HURTING MEN: INCREASING

At the very heart of the work of Core Issues Trust is its work with men and women who seek help to leave unwanted homosexual or gender identity issues.

Listening to these people, face to face, by skype or by phone - from all over the UK and Europe, is the greatest single privilege I have.

Tonight I will speak to a man from Belfast. This week I have spoken to men from Italy, Switzerland, and Belgium. In the same week. I have interacted with some from Scotland, Manchester and London. All want help and struggle to find the right kind of help where they are.

It's interesting to me that only one option is being favoured by ideologues. Activists seek to close our doors, but no one I speak to wants to deprive LGBT folks their

choice of pathways. And no, I'm not saying these clients chose their sexual directions...

Although I am only one person doing this work, I have noticed a concerning trend over the past few months.

More and more men are showing symptoms of HOCD – Obsessional Compulsive Disorder brought on by fear of homosexuality.

Perhaps they have never before experienced such thoughts - and they are in all other ways well-adjusted men. Yet recently they are becoming unsure about their sexuality and have lost confidence in their masculine identities.

Such intrusive thoughts may indicate that the normalization of homosexuality in our society has unintended consequences! We need to examine this closely.

WHY I DO THIS WORK

When I became a Christian in the 1970's I knew that something momentous had happened in my life. For weeks I seemed to walk on water. But then the thought came that my struggle with attraction to the same sex was still there.

That's when depression came. Was my conversion not real? Was I not changed?

I knew my behaviours *had* changed, I felt different, yet one of the most distressing facts in my life remained. I still felt the attractions.

Learning to walk in spiritual truth takes a lifetime, and I was helped by many along the way, not the least by the counsellors and psychotherapists who respected my goals. I'd like to give others what I had – an option!

**Mike Davidson CEO
Core Issues Trust**



Figure 2: The Beautiful Symmetry of Opposites





The Dangers of Silencing

We are truly honoured to have the support of seasoned and renowned Nigerian Gospel artists who are lending support to our appeal for the persecuted Christians of Northern Nigeria.

We salute saxophonist **Mike Aremu**, the UK's unique rapper **Faith-Child** and the beautiful **Purist Ogboi**, whose latest release "Heal Our Land" she has dedicated to the same cause. Thank you for the hard work and dedication of **our lead band from Malta, led by Matthew Grech** and his friends.

Please do honour the commitment of all our artists by signing-up and giving to the appeal for the persecuted Church of Northern Nigeria.



Figure 3: Purist Ogboi 'Heal Our Land'



LUIS Javier Ruiz

Further information core-issues.org

ALSO JOINING us May 2nd two very special young men: Pulse Nightclub (Orlando) mass-shooting survivors, Angel and Luis.

"Give Me a Chance" Concert, Thursday 2nd May – Emmanuel Centre, 6.00pm.

Book at
[Eventbrite](#)

Watch promotional
[here](#)

Stand with us we call for an end to the silencing of the unvoiced.

Please support the appeal for persecuted Northern Nigerian Christians.



This is a collaborative effort of three streams refusing to be silenced, supporting the appeal through live music.

The music celebrates the existence of the *unvoiced* - the unborn, the rejected and the forgotten - all of whom refuse to conform to mainstream narratives promoting *abortion*, *rejecting ex-gay identity* and *ignoring the pain of persecuted and ignored Christians*.

ANGEL Colon



Shot 6 times, Angel shares his return to Christ after years of confusion. Luis, crushed in the ensuing panic during the shooting also shares his remarkable Story.

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