

PRESS RELEASE: Christians in Sport appoint Andy Reed OBE to manage Olympic Legacy

The Olympic legacy lives on as today Christians in Sport announce the appointment of former politician Andy Reed OBE.

Labour and Co-operative MP for Loughborough from 1987 - 2010, Andy was awarded an OBE in June 2012 for his services to the community and to sport in Leicestershire. Andy currently chairs the Sport and Recreation Alliance, the umbrella organisation for the governing and representative bodies of sport and recreation in the UK such as the FA, the Rugby Football Union and UK Athletics.

Andy will facilitate partnerships with church denominations and para-church organisations to provide sports mission resources to churches keen to continue their engagement with sport - a demand that has increased since the 2012 Games.



General Director, Graham Daniels, commented:

‘We are delighted to welcome Andy on board to help us navigate this exciting time for sports mission in the UK. The 2012 Games have undoubtedly changed the Church’s appreciation of the role of sport in our society and the importance of Christians engaging with the sports culture. Andy’s wealth of experience and passion for both sport and the local church makes him ideal for this role as Christians in Sport looks to serve the Church and the world of sport in the UK.’

Andy Reed OBE, himself a lifelong rugby player, commented:

‘This is an exciting time to be involved. We are still in the afterglow of the 2012 Games and the legacy we want to drive from their success. I hope to use my passion for sport and the Church to bring the two closer together! I want both to understand each other and to grow our partnerships.’

Andy Reed, Graham Daniels and Elizabeth Hunt will be available for phone interviews.

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Note to editors:

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