## **Christian Outdoor Activity Centres**

It is good for Christian groups to support Christian outdoor centres, as in the current economic climate, many of them are struggling to survive and they have instructors who can provide good adventurous Christian role models for young people, and who often find the opportunity to share their faith. Christian outdoor centres will also provide devotions (or thoughts for the day) for groups, if required.

The following Christian outdoor centres offer a programme of adventure activities:

Organisation	Location(s)	Website
Abernethy Trust	Cairngorms, Ardgour and the Southern Uplands of Scotland	https://www.abernethy.org.uk/
Adventure Plus	Oxfordshire	https://www.adventureplus.org.uk/
Bassenfell Manor	Lake District	https://www.bassenfell.org.uk/
Birch Hall Adventures	Essex	https://www.birchhall.com/
Christian Adventure Centre	Forest of Dean	https://vineyhilladventure.org/
Compass Christian Centre	Cairngorms	https://compasschristian.org.uk/
Christian Mountain Centre	Eryri (Snowdonia)	https://cmcadventure.org.uk/
Christian Youth Enterprises	West Sussex	https://www.cye.org.uk/
Fellowship Afloat	Essex	https://www.fact.org.uk/
Glencoe Outdoor Centre	Argyll	https://www.glencoeoutdoorcentre.org.uk/
Go Wild Adventures	Carmarthenshire	https://www.gowildadventures.co.uk/
Heatree Activity Centre	Dartmoor	https://www.heatree.org/
Min y Don	Eryri (Snowdonia)	https://minydon.com/
Rock UK	Kent, Northamptonshire, Glamorganshire and the Southern Uplands of Scotland	https://rockuk.org/

There are other Christian centres that can offer group accommodation only. These can be found, (along with the above outdoor centres that do offer activities) at the Christian Residential Network (<a href="https://www.crnet.org.uk/">https://www.crnet.org.uk/</a>).

If no suitable Christian group accommodation can be found, then three good sites to find other providers of group accommodation are <a href="https://www.groupaccommodation.com/">https://www.groupaccommodation.com/</a>, <a href="https://www.hostelworld.com/">https://www.hostelworld.com/</a>.

National youth hostel associations can also provide group accommodation (<a href="https://www.hostellingscotland.org.uk/">https://www.hostellingscotland.org.uk/</a>, and <a href="https://www.anoige.ie/">https://www.anoige.ie/</a>).

A BBMC member also happens to be the Warden of the University of London Mountaineering Club's Caseg Fraith Hut (https://www.ulgmc.org/huts/caseg/) near Capel Curig in Eryri/Snowdonia. The hut can offer special rates to BB and other youth groups whereby they can have exclusive use of the 46-bed hut (required for child protection reasons), while paying just for the beds they use (subject to paying for a minimum of 18 beds). However, the hut can only be booked by members of the British Mountaineering Council (individual or BMC-affiliated club members or members of equivalent national bodies, including Mountaineering Scotland, Mountaineering Ireland and the national Alpine Clubs (none of which are very expensive).