



Christians Aware is an international and ecumenical movement. Its main aim is to develop multi cultural understanding and friendship locally, nationally and internationally, in a spirit of sharing. Thus, new energy is generated for action towards human development and wholeness, through conferences, work-camps, international exchanges, books and other publications, including the magazine. There are no experts. We are continually reminded of the advice of Ronald Wynne who has worked for many years in Botswana:

“Do not try to teach anyone anything until you have learnt something from them.”

Christians Aware recognises the importance of openness, adaptability and faith in the future.

Aldhelm was born around 640 and was educated at Canterbury where he impressed his teachers with his skill in the study of Latin and Greek literature. He became Abbot of Malmesbury in 683. He wrote poetry, composed music and sang – King Alfred the Great placed him in the first rank of poets in the country. He excelled at playing many different instruments including the harp, fiddle and pipes. He is also the author of a series of riddles which we will have some fun with during the week. During his time as Abbot, Aldhelm noticed that, instead of attending mass, the local people preferred to spend their time gossiping and could not be persuaded to listen to the preacher. So, one day, he stationed himself on a bridge, like a minstrel, and began to sing his ballads. The beauty of his verse attracted a huge crowd and, when he had caught their attention, he began to teach the gospel. In 705 he was made Bishop of Sherborne. He died on 25 May 709 at Doulting, Somerset.

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Aware Travel

A Somerset Pilgrimage

in search of Aldhelm (c. 640 – 709)

visiting Frome, Bruton, Bradford-on-Avon,
Glastonbury and Wells



Wells Cathedral

21st to 27th May 2022

led by

Gerard Crawshaw and Norma Hayward

Saturday 21st

Pilgrims arrive at Ammerdown Centre or transfer by minibus from Bath Railway/Bus Station. Overnight at The Ammerdown Centre.

Sunday 22nd

Worship. Guided tour and visit Frome. Walk to Mells or free time in Frome. Overnight at The Ammerdown Centre.

Monday 23rd

Visit Bruton and Sexey’s Hospital. Walk to Castle Cary. Overnight at The Ammerdown Centre.

Tuesday 24th

Visit Glastonbury and the Tor. Tour of Abbey ruins and free time in Glastonbury. Overnight at The Ammerdown Centre.

Wednesday 25th

Visit Wells (including tour of Cathedral). Overnight at The Ammerdown Centre.

Thursday 26th

Short walk into and guided tour of Bradford-on-Avon. Visit Saxon church. Overnight at The Ammerdown Centre.

Friday 27th

Leave Ammerdown. Drop off at Bath Railway/Bus Station.

There are only two (optional) walks during the week (apart from town centre guided walks). One of 3.5 miles and one of 3 miles. There will be some moderate ascent and descent but not beyond the capabilities of the average walker.

Cost: £795 This includes accommodation and full-board, luggage and group transfers, transport by minibus during the week and entrance charges to Wells Cathedral and guided tours of Bradford-on-Avon and Frome. Entrance to Glastonbury Abbey is extra (£7).

Transport to Bath or Ammerdown on Saturday 21st May is not included (but transfers from Bath Railway/Bus Station at the start of the week and back at the end of the week are included).

You can arrive by car. Parking is plentiful at the Ammerdown Centre.

Accommodation at the Ammerdown Centre is in single, double or twin rooms. All rooms are ensuite. There is no single room supplement, but availability of single rooms may be limited.

Balance of payment is required by 11 March 2022

Cancellation before departure. Amount charged:

On or before 10 March 2022 – deposit only

On or after 11 March 2022 – subject to negotiation (amount charged will depend on whether the place(s) can be reallocated)

Please fill in this section and return it to Christians Aware at 2 Saxby Street, Leicester LE2 0ND Tel 0116 254 0770

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I/We subscribe/do not subscribe to Christians Aware.

Please send me/us details of membership and a subscription form

I/We enclose a deposit of £150 per person. £.....

(Cheques payable to "Christians Aware" or by bank transfer to 40-52-40 a/c 00011934. Please let us know you have done this!!!)

Name(s).....

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