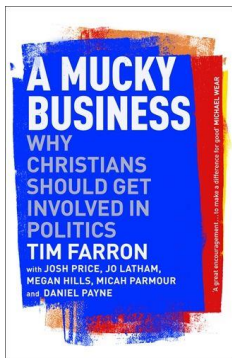




## Prepare for the election with these Christianity and Politics Books

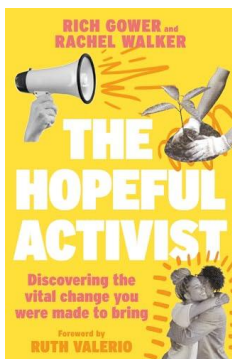
Here is a selection of recent books on Christians and Politics – all available from Illuminate and all recommended in the latest Christian Resources 'Together' magazine.



### **Tim Farron, A Mucky Business, Why Christians Should Get Involved In Politics, IVP. £12.99 through the shop or £12.34 through Bookshop.org**

In 'A Mucky Business', Tim Farron, former leader of the Liberal Democrats, and others explore and defend why Christianity and politics should and must work together. If Christians are to love their neighbours, they need to engage with the issues that affect everyone. Why should Christians leave their beliefs at the door when they enter public life? No one else does! Tim Farron shares his experience as a Christian MP and draws on experiences from across the political

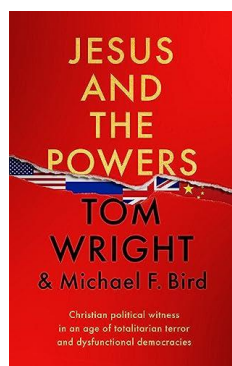
spectrum demonstrating that it's possible to be both a Christian and to step into the political world with confidence.



### **Rich Gower and Rachel Walker, The Hopeful Activist, SPCK. £10.99 through the shop or £10.44 through Bookshop.org**

All around us there are signs of a broken world, situations that are just not right. Where do we begin? Sometimes we simply don't know what to do. Whether you are new to activism or already on the road, this book will (re)kindle your hope and illuminate the way ahead. With contributions from Shane Claiborne, Lisa Sharon Harper, Krish Kandiah, Sam Wells and others, the Hopeful Activist is full of fresh wisdom and practical advice to help you play your part in bringing God's justice and restoration to the world.

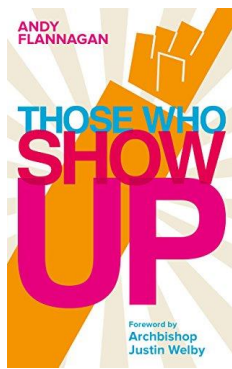
**Richard Gower** co-leads Tearfund's advocacy policy and **Rachel Walker** works for a Church of England parish in Islington, London.



### **Wright T, Jesus and the Powers, SPCK - £10.99 in the shop and £12.34 through Bookshop.org**

*Jesus and the Powers* addresses the pressing question: How can Christians engage with the turbulent politics of our times while remaining true to the teaching and example of Jesus? With wisdom and clarity, the authors present a compelling case for Christians to embody a counter-cultural witness that upholds the biblical ideals of justice, mercy and truth while vigorously opposing oppressive political schemes based on autocracy and nationalism. Grounded in the transformative message of Jesus and the apostles, *Jesus and the Powers* challenges believers to

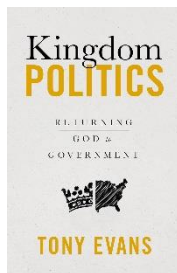
embrace their role as agents of God's Kingdom by courageously standing against tyrannical forces wherever they may appear, and by helping to cultivate flourishing liberal democracies that promote the freedom, dignity and well-being of all people



**Those who show up, Andy Flannagan, Muddy Pearl – only available through the shop. £9.99**

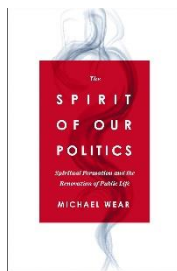
This book won't try to get you to vote for a particular party. It isn't going to try to get you to vote at all. Something far better. It's going to show you that you could be voted for. That it could be your name on the ballot paper. Or that you could be working with someone whose name is, influencing your community more than you ever imagined. From food banks to debt counselling, soup vans to street pastors, the church is doing an amazing job treating the victims of a flawed system. But it's never going to be enough, unless we also get involved in the decision-making process.

**Also available – from USA authors**



**Kingdom Politics, Returning God to Government, Tony Evans, Moody. £14.99 – only available through the shop.**

Many, if not most, Christians begin with the wrong question of who they should vote for rather than the more important question of how they should vote. Asking the correct question is fundamental. Scriptural principles exist for both our personal and our political quandaries. We should be willing to dig deep to find them and move away from voting based on tradition or mere preferences.



**The spirit of our Politics, Michael Wear, Zondervan, £12.99 - only available through the shop.**

When political division shows up not only on the campaign trail but also at our dinner tables, we wonder: Can we be part of a better way? The Spirit of Our Politics says "yes," offering a distinctly Christian approach to politics that results in healing rather than division, kindness rather than hatred, and hope rather than despair.

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