

Bible bid to stop porn addiction at Sexpo

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A SEX expo featuring strippers and porn stalls will be targetted by a religious group handing out free bibles.

Members of the XXXchurch, a US-based online organisation that claims to help people struggling with porn addiction, will hand out "Jesus Loves Porn Stars" bibles at Queensland's Sexpo event starting Thursday.

Sexpo is a four-day event that claims to look at "all aspects of adult entertainment, sexuality, and adult lifestyles" and had shops selling sex toys and includes an amateur strip show.

The Jesus Loves Porn Stars bibles have been donated by [Bible Society Qld](http://www.bsqld.org.au/) (<http://www.bsqld.org.au/>) and executive director Steve Davies said his organisation's members would help hand out bibles.

He said pornography had become "almost mainstream" among young people and many had been left with lasting damage. He said it was important for conservative Christian organisations to help but he wanted them to do so in a non-confrontational way.

"We could stand outside with a blowhorn and say you are all sinners but the reality is that doesn't work," Mr Davies said.

Mr Davies said speaking at schools and other organisations had shown him that porn was rife among young people.

"In my day porn used to be sneaking a look at a Playboy magazine, but now what young people are exposed to on the internet has cahnged things, we have to show them there's a better way," he said.

"The reality is that Aussies everywhere are looking for long-term relationships. The Porn industry is looking for long-term customers. Too often pornography addictions kick in, which can have a devastating affect on people's sexual, emotional and relational wellbeing," Mr Davies said.

He said young volunteers would "get amongst it" at Sexpo to show porn users, producers and actors that "Jesus really does love porn stars – and that God has something relevant to say."

A 2006 Google Trends survey, based on the number of searches with the word 'porn', ranked Brisbane as the second highest user city in the world, behind Birmingham, England.

Mr Davies said many of these people were members of the church.

"XXXchurch reckons that the porn industry would lose 45 per cent of its business if Christians stopped consuming its products."

"These are devastating statistics . While we connect with visitors at Sexpo, we're also addressing the 'elephant in the pew' in our churches by putting pornography on the agenda and giving people safe avenues to start addressing their addiction."

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