



mission shaped ministry

equipping you to plant and sustain
fresh expressions of church

You are invited to share in a learning journey in a supportive community to be equipped for a lifetime of good practice and learning in growing fresh expressions of church

Bristol

Wesley College
BS10 7QD

STARTS:

Jan 8th 2011



“The greatest benefit of the course is its practical side and the chance to talk

through issues relevant to your situation.”

*Leanne Corlett,
course participant*



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Who is it for?

- Those exploring ideas for fresh expressions of church;
- Experienced pioneers who want to reflect on what they are doing;
- Christians who want their churches to be more effective in mission;
- All denominations, traditions and ages;
- Urban, suburban and rural contexts.

What will you learn?

- How to begin, sustain and grow a fresh expression of church;
- Qualities of Christian ministry;
- Listening to God in your context.

Features of the course

- Designed for busy Christians;
- Delivered ecumenically;
- Local and national teachers;
- Reflection on your context and story;
- Varied learning styles and resources;
- Coaching, mentoring, learning networks;
- An online guide to fresh expressions.

Modules include

- Mission context;
- The mission of God;
- Vision and call;
- Values;
- Preparation for mission;
- Listening for mission;
- What is church?
- Gospel and culture;
- Team roles and behaviour;
- Leadership;
- Spirituality;
- Discipleship;
- Children and all-age;
- Evangelism;
- Lessons from weaknesses;
- Handling setbacks and failure;
- Small group church;
- Worship and the sacraments.

Your local course

The United Reformed Church, Church of England, Methodist Church and Baptist Church are delighted to make *msm* available locally. We believe it will be a significant resource for building the Kingdom of God in this area.

Individuals are most welcome, but we particularly hope that small groups from a church or fresh expression will come as this will deepen the impact of the course.

The course leader is Andrew Owen and course teachers include Andrew Roberts, Ward Jones, Rachel Borgars and John Emmett.

Course timetable and venue

Saturday 8th January 2011
Tuesday 11th January 2011
Tuesday 18th January 2011
Tuesday 25th January 2011
Saturday 29th January 2011
Tuesday 1st February 2011
Tuesday 8th February 2011
Saturday 19th February 2011
Tuesday 22nd February 2011
Tuesday 1st March 2011
Tuesday 8th March 2011
Saturday 12th March 2011

Saturdays run from 09.30 to 16.30.

Tuesdays run from 19.30 to 21.30

The venue is Wesley College, Bristol, BS10 7QD.

Cost

£85 per person, which covers all materials and refreshments. Financial support may be available.

Contact

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Booking form

Please complete and return to:

Andrew Owen, Course Leader
55 Sandringham Avenue, Downend, Bristol, BS16 6NQ

Title: Rev Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Tel no: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Denomination/Stream: _____

Local Church: _____

Do you have any special needs we need to be aware of?

Method of Payment:

- Cheque (*please make cheque for £85 payable to Methodist Church Bristol District*)
- Standing order (*Three instalments, details will be sent by return.*)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Recommendations

“The course was amazingly helpful, making sense of many of the aspects of the project I am currently engaged in, helping me to explain the model that is emerging in our centre and to communicate the theology behind it. I would thoroughly recommend it to anyone trying to engage church with local community or provide opportunities to encounter the Christian faith. You do not have to be embarking on a big project to benefit from this, it is relevant to all churches!” *Sarah James, lay worker and local preacher*

“*msm* offers an opportunity to equip ourselves to reach out into our communities, be more confident and more effective as we do so and help others to discover a Jesus who is relevant to their daily lives. It invites us to explore new insights into ways of expressing the Gospel which are meaningful for our own age and generation. I wholeheartedly recommend it to all who have a concern to enabling others to share in an exploration of Christian faith.” *Revd A Ward Jones, Bristol Methodist District Chairman*



“The next big step in taking fresh expressions of church forward is making the right kind of training available in every part of the country. The course is making a major contribution here and I’m delighted to commend it.” *Archbishop Rowan Williams*



“Ideal for all those wanting to embrace new ways of being church in a practical way and vital for those already engaged in fresh expressions.” *Diane Louise Jordan, Presenter, Songs of Praise*

Alan Olley/
Scope Features



“I wholeheartedly recommend this course, designed to equip all God’s people for the task of establishing authentic and effective Church for this and future generations.” *Stuart Bell, Leader, Ground Level Network*



“More and more Christian people are being led by God to plant, sustain and lead fresh expressions of church. The course is a crucial means by which the Holy Spirit is preparing them for this calling. Go for it!” *Revd Dr Martyn Atkins, Methodist General Secretary*

The course partnership

