



mission shaped ministry

equipping you to plant and sustain
fresh expressions of church

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

Edinburgh

From September 2010



“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

We 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 leaders are Fiona Tweedie and David Currie.

Course timetable and venue

Saturday 4th September 2010
Wednesday 13th October 2010
Wednesday 17th November 2010
Wednesday 8th December 2010
Saturday 22nd January 2011
Wednesday 23rd February 2011
Friday 25th to Sunday 27th March 2011
Wednesday 4th May 2011
Wednesday 18th May 2011
Wednesday 1st June 2011
Saturday 18th June 2011

Saturdays run from 09:00 to 17:00.
Wednesdays run from 19:30 to 21:30.

Sessions will be at Barclay Viewforth Church, 1 Wright's Houses, Tollcross, Edinburgh, EH10 4HN.

Residential weekend will be at the Scottish Police College, Tulliallan Castle, Kincardine, Fife, FK10 4BE.

Cost

£250 per person, which covers all materials, refreshments and the weekend away. Financial support may be available.

Contact

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Booking form

Please complete and return to:

Sheila Reeves, Mission and Discipleship Council, Church of Scotland,
121 George Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4YN

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 £250 payable to The Church of Scotland)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Recommendations

“This course comes at just the right time for us. It will qualify for Study Leave funding and could well help you in considering new patterns for leadership in mission and ministry, especially with those who currently have little or nothing to do with church” *Martin Scott, Secretary, Ministries Council, Church of Scotland*

“This course provides an excellent opportunity for the church to reposition itself for missional activity. If our evangelistic efforts are to be effective we need to sharpen up our skills and face up to the real issues that face us. I believe that this material will provide individual Christians as well as mission teams with resources that will make them more effective. This is not just for the theorist, but also for the serious practitioner. It is for the experienced evangelist as well as for the enthusiastic novice. I warmly commend this course to you.” *Major Graham Mizon, Divisional Director for Evangelism, East of Scotland Division, Salvation Army*



“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*



“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

