



# mission shaped ministry

equipping you to plant and sustain  
fresh expressions of church

You are invited to share an 18-month learning journey in a supportive community to be equipped for a lifetime of good practice and learning in growing fresh expressions of church

## Leicestershire Diocese of Leicester from October 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*



## 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 Dioceses of Leicester and Peterborough and the Northants Methodist Circuit 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 a leadership team or core group from a Fresh Expression will come together as this will deepen the impact of the course. There will be opportunity for ongoing involvement in a learning network at the end of the course.

Course hosts are Stuart Burns, Barry Hill and Tim Woolley.

## Course timetable and venue

Saturday 02/10/10	Saturday 17/09/11
Saturday 13/11/10	Tuesday 08/11/11
Tuesday 18/01/11	Tuesday 10/01/12
Tuesday 15/03/11	Saturday 10/03/12
Saturday 09/04/11	
Tuesday 17/05/11	
Saturday 11/06/11	
Tuesday 05/07/11	

Saturdays run from 10.00am to 4.00pm at a venue on the Leics/Northants border.

Tuesdays run from 7.30pm to 9.30pm, at first at St Martin's House, St Martin's East, Leicester and then to be confirmed.

## Cost

Six instalments of £45 per person per term, which covers all materials, refreshments and the days away. For those attending as a leadership or core team significant subsidies are available with the subsidy increasing the more people join. Please contact us.

## Contact

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## Application form

Please complete and return to:

Maggie Clark, Course Administrator, Church House, 3-5 St Martin's East,  
Leicester, LE1 5FX, [maggie.clarke@leccofe.org](mailto:maggie.clarke@leccofe.org)

Title: Rev Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel no: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Denomination/Stream: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Church: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Is your local church leader aware you are applying:    Yes    No

### Method of Payment:

Subsidies available for teams, please see previous page for details.

- Single (*Cheque for £180 payable to Leicester Diocesan Board of Finance.*)
- Installments (*Four instalments of £45, payable by cheque or cash at the first session of each term. If the course is not completed, all monies are still owed.*)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Recommendations

From the basic ‘what is a fresh expression of church’ to looking at vision and values, worship, culture, mission audits, spirituality for mission, opposition and setbacks, leadership and more, this was a comprehensive and very practical course. *Helen Bamber, lay worker, Market Harborough Methodist Circuit*

This course, which is becoming increasingly popular around the country, is proving to be a crucial stimulus to the development of Fresh Expressions. It will have great benefit for those who are seriously intentional about developing new forms of church in today's world. *Revd Peter Hancock, Chair, Northampton Methodist District*



“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*



Alan Olley/  
Scope Features

“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

