



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

Northamptonshire

Diocese of Peterborough

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*



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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 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 Miles Baker, Tim Woolley, Liz Holdsworth and Richard Priestley.

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 10/05/11	
Saturday 11/06/11	
Tuesday 12/07/11	

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 the Diocesan Resource Centre, Bouverie Court, 6 The Lakes, Bedford Road, NN4 7YD.

Cost

Six instalments of £45 per person per term, which covers all materials, refreshments and the days away.

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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

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?

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

Method of Payment:

- 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*



“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

