



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

North East and Borders

From September 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*



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;
- Starting something new;
- 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 Church of England, Methodist, Baptist and Free Churches 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.

Course leaders and teachers include Stephen and Elaine Lindridge, Keith Osborn, David Currie, Andrew Roberts & Roy Searle.

Course timetable and venue

Berwick upon Tweed	Gateshead
Saturday 17/09/11	Wednesday 14/09/11 Saturday 24/09/11
Saturday 01/10/11	Wednesday 05/10/11 Wednesday 19/10/11
Saturday 12/11/11	Wednesday 02/11/11 Wednesday 23/11/11
Saturday 04/02/12	
Friday-Sunday 09-11/03/12	
Saturday 28/04/12	Wednesday 28/03/12 Wednesday 18/04/12 Wednesday 16/05/12
Saturday 16/06/12	

Single Saturdays (09.30-16.00) are at Walkergate Methodist Church, Berwick, TD15 1XD
Wednesdays (19.00-21.00) are at St Mark's Methodist Church, Durham Rd, Gateshead, NE8 4AA
Shared Saturdays (09.30-16.00) and the weekend are at Otterburn Hall, NE19 1HE

Cost

£300 per person, which covers all materials, refreshments and the weekend away.

Contact

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Booking form

Please complete and return to:

Helen Symonds, Holly House, Shields Road, Heworth, Gateshead, NE10 0UY

Primary venue: Berwick upon Tweed Gateshead

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?

I will use a laptop instead of requiring printed notes

Method of Payment:

Please send a cheque for £50 (payable to *Newcastle Upon Tyne FEAST MSM*) with your booking form. The balance will be due by standing order or direct debit (five instalments) - details will be sent by return.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

mission shaped ministry North East is heading further north, providing venues in Berwick and Gateshead with a shared venue on two Saturdays and a weekend at Otterburn Hall. The Berwick venue will deliver *msm* on Saturdays only whilst Gateshead will meet on Wednesday evenings and some Saturdays.

Recommendations



“It was good to do a course that helped me to flesh out some of my thinking and be able reflect with others about some of the highs and lows of working in Fresh Expressions.” *Rob Wylie, Circuit Evangelism Enabler, North Shields and Whitley Bay*

“I found the *msm* course invaluable. It was not only applicable to those starting or thinking about a fresh expression, it also was relevant to those endeavouring to transform existing forms and styles of church.” *Rev John Singleton, Regional Minister (Mission), Northern Baptist Association*



“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

