

SESSION ONE

PARTNERING FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Richard Davis (Camping Enabler)

At a local church level, we have a vision to reach the lost in our community. However, we acknowledge that this can be hard work and at times we can feel isolated and alone. In this workshop we will learn from like-minded churches how we can work together, along with Christian camps to strengthen, deepen and potentially accelerate the church community outreach and help fulfil Christ's mission.

THE UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM

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In Mark 10:35-45, Jesus challenges the conventional power structures by emphasising the virtues of humility and servant leadership. The implications of this Upside-Down Kingdom are particularly profound in the context of cross-cultural mission where instead of approaching missions with a top-down mindset, the Upside-Down Kingdom calls for a humility that seeks to understand, serve, and learn from diverse communities. It challenges us to embody the selfless love and sacrificial service exemplified by Jesus, fostering a collaborative approach that recognises the dignity and worth of every individual across cultural boundaries.

MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP IS SHAPED BY PRAYER

Jackie Millar (Prayer Coordinator)

To pray is to be in a relationship with God. It is in this place of relationship, that we discover and lean toward the heart of God for humanity, as seen in Matthew 28: 16 - 20. In this session, we'll unpack these verses and how they direct our leadership, through an intimate relationship with God, that has a heart for humanity and the gospel.

LEADERSHIP, SCHOLARSHIPS & ONGOING RELATIONSHIP

Iz Hodge (Scholarship Enabler)

We have a gospel-continuity responsibility to grow Christ-like leaders in our local churches, but how can we make that part of our culture? Let's explore some of the frameworks, tools and resources available to help us all grow a leadership development culture in our churches..

THE MINISTRY OF ADMINISTRATION

Jan de Lange (National Advisor)

A workshop for Chairperson of Elders, church treasurers, secretaries, and administrators. The apostles thought the mission of the church was significant enough to appoint people into the ministry of administration. We'll explore administration as a critical ministry of the local church.

SESSION TWO

CHURCH-BASED TRAINING: LEARNING ON THE JOB

Richard Goodwin - Pathways

Now more than ever, our churches need leaders with biblical knowledge, cultural insight, and pastoral wisdom. How do we train emerging leaders who are up to the challenge of faithfully speaking and living out the gospel with resilience in and relevance to 21st century Aotearoa New Zealand? Maybe one of the best ways is on-the-job training. Learn from like-minded churches about how to grow your next generation of leaders in-house.

LEADING THROUGH CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

Jan de Lange (National Advisor)

A workshop for Chairperson of Elders, church treasurers, secretaries, and administrators. We'll explore the three facets of any administrative responsibility, the people aspect, the compliance (Legal, HR, H&S) aspect and the biblical and theological aspect. We'll unpack some administrative scenarios and explore together how we'd address them.

SHAPING THE HEART OF A LEADER

Mark van Wijk (PastorLink Enabler)

Leaders aren't shaped in isolation – community, culture, conflict, how we live our daily lives, our relationship with God & His Word – they all have a huge influence on our lives as leaders, and they help shape our character. In this workshop we'll explore the way that these influences shaped some key biblical leaders, and then consider their impact on our own spiritual & character formation.

MOVING FROM TALKING THE TALK TO WALKING THE WALK

Jackie Millar (Prayer Coordinator)

Having unpacked how missional leadership is shaped by prayer in Session One, Session Two aims to put region-specific, practical next steps in place. Join us for a facilitated conversation that welcomes a collaborative church approach with a heart for our communities and region, based on Matthew 28: 16 - 20.

ENGAGE ALL GENERATIONS, A PRADIGM SHIFT

Julie McKinnon (Children and Family Ministries Enabler)

The Church is a diverse mix of ages and stages with different gifts, abilities, and needs. What does it look like to engage all generations in the life of the church in developmentally appropriate ways? In this workshop we will explore the biblical picture of intergenerational church and hear stories of Churches who are trying new ways to engage all generations.

SESSION THREE

THREE PATHS TOWARD CHURCH-DRIVEN CAMPS THAT REACH FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Alan Aitken

Hear the inspiring stories of three different churches and how they reached out to their local communities through camps. Their successes and struggles illustrate underlying principles that you can apply in your own context. Learn what it takes to turn heart felt vision into practical reality and where you can start.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE POOR

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"Good News for the Poor" encapsulates a foundational biblical principle found throughout the Scriptures that emphasises the imperative of justice, compassion, and inclusion. Rooted in passages such as Luke 4:18-19, where Jesus declares His mission to bring good news to the poor, this concept shapes our cross-cultural mission endeavours. It underscores the call to address systemic inequalities and uplift marginalised communities, reflecting God's concern for the oppressed and economically disenfranchised. The implications of this extends beyond charity; they prompt a transformative engagement that seeks to empower and dignify, echoing the biblical mandate to love one's neighbour as oneself..

LEADING AS A CO-JOURNEYER

Julie McKinnon (Children and Family Ministries Enabler)

Discipleship is a life-long process. In this workshop we will look at our role as leaders in creating environments where discipleship is more than education or information. How do we create a warm, relational, safe spaces to explore faith and to grow in Jesus together.

GROWING YOUNG ADULTS INTO CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Craig Barrow (Youth and Young Adult Enabler)

How can church leaders grow young adults and youth into church leadership? We'll explore various ways that Elders and Ministry Leaders are discipling, training and mentoring young adults and youth into local church leadership.

PROPERTY, STEWARDSHIP, AND THE GOSPEL

Jeff Orr (SEO, Stewards Trust)

A forum to engage around the practical challenges and opportunities of our physical buildings and sites. Hear more about Stewards' Trust and how we might partner together for the growth of the Gospel in modern-day NZ