



Workshop Session 1, choose one option:

Telling The Whole Story	Why Did Jesus Die?	Can The Cross Inspire Transformational Leadership?	Introducing People To Jesus Through The Pages Of Scripture
<p>As children's ministry leaders, we have the privilege of sharing the big story of God with children. It's important to teach Bible stories accurately, in an age-appropriate way. But how do we handle the tricky stories? How do we present Scripture in a way that invites children to encounter God for themselves without over-explaining or over simplifying it? In this workshop we will explore how we can faithfully teach the whole story of the Bible, fostering curiosity, wonder, and deep a love for God's Word.</p> <p>Facilitated by Julie McKinnon, CCCNZ Children and Family Ministries</p>	<p>In 1 Corinthians 1:23, Paul describes his message this way: "we preach Christ crucified." Clearly the death of Jesus is central to Christian gospel witness. But what did the crucifixion actually achieve? This workshop will outline three answers to this question - answers proposed by Christian thinkers through the centuries - and consider what value these approaches may have for sharing the message of "Christ crucified" today.</p> <p>Facilitated by Nick Goodwin, CCCNZ Pastoral Theologians Fellowship</p>	<p>This workshop explores how Scripture encourages us to allow the Cross to shape our leadership with love, integrity and accountability. Are our methods enhancing our eldership oversight or just offering superficial transparency? Do our church policies reflect the grace and justice of the cross, or do they expose hypocrisy? As Christian leaders, how do we balance our commitment to God's Word with modern challenges, including government policies that may conflict with our faith?</p> <p>Facilitated by Jan De Lange, CCCNZ National Advisor</p>	<p>We can feel hesitant to bring people to the Bible when they don't believe in God and don't see it as God's Word. But many have found this is a wonderful approach to help someone discover what our faith is about in a way that enables them to read and explore together with you. Learn practical tools and how to invite a friend, colleague or acquaintance to read more about who this Jesus is and why he has had such an influence on your life.</p> <p>Facilitated by Robyn Drake, TSCF and Auckland Bible Church.</p>

Workshop Session 2, choose one option:

How Can Youth And Young Adults Experience The Power Of The Gospel?	"Why Are We Here?"	Identifying Cross-Shaped Leaders	Kids Need To Sniff!
<p>Do we focus too much on helping our youth and young adults understand the gospel academically, rather than experiencing it? If so, how do we change this without diminishing their need to fully comprehend Christ's saving and transforming work? Furthermore, what does it mean for youth and young adults to experience the power of the Cross?</p> <p>Facilitated by Craig Barrow, CCCNZ Youth and Young Adults</p>	<p>Well, it depends on who you ask. Is it to marry, have children, and continue the human race? To work? To seek pleasure? According to Ecclesiastes, we live in a world filled with vanity, futility, and frustration. So... what are we saved for? What are we saved to? Is it enough to simply live a good life? And what does a 'good life' even mean? We invite you to join the conversation as we explore these questions together and seek a meaningful response—one that lasts forever.</p> <p>Facilitated by Wendy and John Buchanan, GC3</p>	<p>Most CCCNZ churches want to train emerging leaders—if only they could find them! Together, we will explore how to identify leaders from within your own ranks, drawing insights from church leaders with a track record of picking and preparing others for cruciform service. Plus, this workshop will provide a listening forum for how churches and Pathways Bible College can continue to work together to form trainees for cross-shaped leadership.</p> <p>Facilitated by Richard Goodwin, Pathways College of Bible and Mission</p>	<p>Our lives shining the light of Jesus can be received as a sweet perfume, yet others will think it stinks! Either way we need to sincerely spread the knowledge of Jesus. 45% of kids in Rally come from homes that don't recognise Jesus. Rally could be an essential ministry in your church for reaching more kids and families. Wouldn't it be exciting to see kids saved and families joining our churches? Come take a glimpse into what NZ Rally has to offer in the way of preparing kids for life—life with Jesus and life for others.</p> <p>Facilitated by Tony Foster, NZ Rally</p>

Regional Ministry Conversation Forums

Forums are a new addition to the Regional Summit programme after feedback from previous attendees. Choose a forum to be part of and take part in a conversation about a specific topic relevant to ministry. Join others who are serving in similar ways in their churches and go deeper on a current issue. Forums are designed to have even more conversation than a workshop—we invite you to come prepared to contribute to the discussion.

Take a look at the conversation topics and let us know which one you're keen to join when you register for Summit.

GRACE AND GUIDANCE: NAVIGATING BEHAVIOUR DIFFERENCES

How can we respond with love, wisdom, and consistency to the wide range of behaviours and backgrounds present in our churches?

Facilitated by Julie McKinnon, CCCNZ Children & Family Ministries

STRENGTHENING OUR GOSPEL THEOLOGY

What collaborative steps could we take as CCCNZ churches in order to both increase our understanding of the gospel, and grow our ability to communicate it well?

Facilitated by Nick Goodwin, CCCNZ Pastoral Theologians Fellowship

REACHING YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

How do we deal with habitual sin in our youth and young adults in light of salvation and the cross? What are you doing (or can you do) to make youth and young adults feel equally part of the church as older members?

Facilitated by Craig Barrow, CCCNZ Youth and Young Adults

CROSS-INSPIRED LEADERSHIP

What does it look like when cross-inspired shepherds and servant leaders apply the principles of cross-inspired leadership to real-life policies, procedures and documents in church settings?

Facilitated by Jan De Lange (CCCNZ National Advisor)

STRENGTHENING ELDERS

We'll explore responses to the survey questions sent out before Summit to identify areas for supporting elders to strengthen their shepherding roles.

Facilitated by Richard Fountain (CCCNZ Auckland and Northland Regional Enabler)

