

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Monday 27th January

6.00pm – 8.00pm	Conference Registration
8.00pm – 10.00pm	Worship & Evening Session
10.00pm – 11.30pm	Bar

Daily Schedule

8.30am – 9.20am	Morning Prayer
9.30am – 11.10am	Worship & Morning Session
11.10am – 11.30am	Break
11.30am – 12.45pm	Interviews
12.45pm – 2.30pm	Lunch
2.30pm – 3.45pm	1st Seminar
3.45pm – 4.15pm	Break
4.15pm – 5.15pm	2nd Seminar
5.15pm – 8.00pm	Dinner
8.00pm – 10.00pm	Worship & Evening Session
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MAINSESSION SPEAKERS

Monday

Evening Session - John Mumford

Tuesday

Morning Session - Eleanor Mumford
Interviews - James Rankine
with Simon Ponsonby
Evening Session - Simon Ponsonby

Wednesday

Morning Session - Eleanor Mumford
Interviews - John Mumford with
Mark Elsdon-Dew
Evening Session - John Wright

Thursday

Morning Session - Eleanor Mumford
Interviews - John Wright with Lynne Knight,
Cat Morris & Mary Cusack
Evening Session - Pete Greig

Tuesday Seminars, 2.30pm - 3.45pm

SAME SEX RELATIONSHIPS - A PASTORAL PERSPECTIVE

John Wright - Auditorium

The issue of sexual orientation and practice has become one of today's hottest topics touching everyone who lives in today's culture. Many Christian and non-Christian alike wonder, "what does God have to say on the subject?"

Too often Christians approach the topic with an over-emphasis on truth or on love. Jesus was 'full of grace and truth' and Paul encourages our 'speaking the truth in love'. John will unpack what the Bible teaches about homosexual practice, and give insight into how those with same sex attraction can find acceptance and grace in the church.

LESSONS IN BIBLICAL DISCIPLESHIP, ILLUSTRATED FROM C.S.LEWIS'S NARNIA CHRONICLES

Rick Williams - F1

2013 marked the 50th anniversary of C.S.Lewis death. Recently, in rereading the Narnia Chronicles, I have been struck afresh by the power of his imagination to convey Biblical truths with simplicity and depth. Surely Lewis is one of Christianity's most remarkable apologists and has left a huge legacy from which we can benefit.

Rick and Lulu planted Riverside Vineyard and led it until 2011. Over the last 2 years they have worked for VCUKI and are focused on theological education, training leaders and teaching the Bible.

GROWING AS A LEADER BEFORE YOU GROW YOUR CHURCH

Andy Smith - G4

God wants to grow us, not just our churches. He often uses the things we lead, to shape our souls and bring transformation to our lives. Frequently, the thing that holds back growth in churches is lack of growth in us as leaders. This seminar will explore how to grow as a leader while pastoring people and leading church. We will look at key practices in the lives of successful leaders who have been leading at a high level for 20 years or more, and examine how we can take practical steps to incorporate them into our lives and ministries.

Andy pastors Belfast City Vineyard together with his wife, Harmony. He is passionate about seeing many healthy churches being planted in Ireland

DEVELOPING KEY PASTORAL SKILLS - HANDLING COMPLEX SITUATIONS

Andrew and Rosie McNeil - Y7

This seminar is designed to strengthen your skills (and save you unnecessary heartache) as you pastor people and oversee leaders. When and how do we intervene when someone is making unwise choices that could damage themselves or others? What guiding principles from God's word shape our interventions? How do we lead a process of care, discipline and restoration for people (and leaders) who have "fallen"? We will explore real life pastoral case studies and take an honest and practical look at wisdom in action.

Andrew and Rosie lead the Vineyard Church in Birmingham and the Midlands Area.

URBAN MISSION - IT'S GOOD IN THE HOOD - THE WORD BECAME FLESH AND MOVED INTO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

Andrew and Angela Large - Arches

Urban mission is increasingly a focus for the UK church and urbanization is a global issue with over half the world's population now living in towns and cities. This seminar will provide an introduction to urban mission on estates and the inner city. We will look at the differences between church-planting and urban mission and explore the highs and lows of cross-cultural incarnational ministry.

Andrew and Angela Large, who lead Hoxton Vineyard, have lived on a council estate in Hackney since 2001 where they have brought up their family, and sought to be faithful witnesses to their inner city neighbours.

STUDENT FORUM

John Clarke - F3

The Vineyard is strategically placed to reach University students. With doors opening and partnerships forming this is a great time to pioneer student ministry, grow your church and church plant in University cities and reach thousands to Christ. John will give us a snapshot of what is going on across the UK with space to look at your own strategy. If you have a heart for students, this forum is for you!

John Clarke is the Senior Assistant Pastor at Hull Vineyard and leader of VCUKI Student Taskforce.

Tuesday Seminars, 4.15pm - 5.15pm

CULTIVATING A HEALTHY INTERIOR LIFE WITH GOD

Mike Safford - Auditorium

All healthy ministry flows from our interior life of intimacy and intentionality with God. Prayer is the most important component to healthy and long-term Kingdom living and ministry. It is often the case that while leaders are trained and prepared to DO ministry toward others, their own interior life suffers diminishment and neglect. Mike will share his experience from nearly 20 years of ministry in the Vineyard and some important constructs and insights for cultivating our interior life.

Prior to his role as Senior Associate Pastor of Vineyard Church of Anaheim, Mike was leading in the Vineyard in Southern California as a youth pastor, associate pastor and church planter for over 16 years. He is passionate about the Kingdom of Jesus and seeing people find a place of belonging with Christ and His Community. Mike loves his wife, his three children, and good coffee.

BIG THINGS IN SMALL GROUPS

Andy and Bethan Chapman - F1

We often say we want to be "a church of small groups" not "a church with small groups". But how can we go on developing small groups in a rapidly changing culture with increasingly busy people? How can we in practice keep small groups central and not seen as just another ministry? We'll share some practical ideas of how we implement Small Groups at Riverside, as well as some recent experience of looking at different models to build & develop Small Group life.

Andy & Bethan are the Senior pastors of Riverside Vineyard, and Dave Gibbs is their Associate pastor who also oversees Small Groups.

WHEN YOUR CHURCH STARTS TO GROW

Steve Gee - G4

We're called to be a movement of healthy growing churches. This seminar will be looking at some of the strategies for growth from the church plant phase to an established church. We will also explore some of the culture changes that need to be made and more importantly how leaders need to adopt their own leadership in growing church environments.

Steve and his wife Tammy lead the Central Vineyard in Northampton which they planted in February 2006.

BUILDING A CORE LEADERSHIP TEAM

James Rankine - Y7

As pastors and leaders we spend our lives creating and building teams, always looking for the next piece of the puzzle. As the church grows and develops, the core leadership team becomes more and more important to the health and development of any church. Bill Hybels would call it building a kingdom dream team. This seminar will look at principles and key questions that we need to ask and answer in order that our churches can forcefully extend the kingdom in our towns and cities.

James and his wife Jen lead Cardiff Vineyard together. They have three gorgeous daughters, Eva, Isabelle and Elliette.

GETTING INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS ON THE RADAR: STORIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Jon and Joy Franklin - F3

What's happening around the world and how can my church take part? If that's your question then this is the seminar for you - regardless of the size of your church or your resources, this session will leave you excited about what God is doing in the nations and how you can be involved!

Jon and Joy Franklin lead the VCUKI International Missions Task Force and are passionate about encouraging churches to engage in cross-cultural ministry.

KIDS FORUM

Katie Rogers - Arches

Come and join us to chat, share stories, connect, and pray for the children of our Movement. Children's leaders, church leaders and those who work with children outside the church are all welcome.

Katie Rogers has been Children's pastor in Belfast City Vineyard for ten years. She loves seeing children of all ages connecting with Jesus and learning to live life in the Kingdom.

Wednesday Seminars, 2.30pm - 3.45pm

PLAYING GOD – MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY AND THE FUTURE OF HUMANITY

John Wyatt - Auditorium

Every week medical advances hit the headlines – genetic screening, robotic surgery, growing new organs, brain scans, cancer cures, extending human lifespan. How are advances in medical technology changing the way we think of what it means to be human? Should technology be used to make better humans? How should we think of these advances from a Christian perspective? And what about the option of intensive medical treatments when we are facing our own mortality? Is there a time to say enough is enough?

John Wyatt is Emeritus Professor of Neonatal Paediatrics at University College London, and a frequent speaker on medical and ethical issues in both secular and Christian contexts. His book *Matters of Life and Death – human dilemmas in the light of the Christian faith* is published by InterVarsity Press.

MEDIA RELATIONS Q&A

Mark Elsdon-Dew - F1

This will be an opportunity for senior pastors and large church associates to hear from Mark and ask any questions related to Media relations that you would like answered.

Mark Elsdon-Dew is a former Foreign Editor of the Sunday Express who has been Director of Communications at HTB and Alpha International since 1991, with responsibility for press and media relations. He is author of *The God Who Changes Lives* series of books.

WORSHIP FORUM

Jimmy and Kate Cooke - G4

The Worship Forum will be an opportunity for Vineyard worship leaders, musicians and songwriters to gather together informally during the conference. Jimmy & Kate Cooke and a small panel of key worship leaders will host a Q&A with the aim of answering any worship-related questions arising at both the local and national level.

Jimmy & Kate Cooke lead the Worship Taskforce for VCUK&I and Jimmy is the General Manager of Vineyard Records UK.

HOW TO GROW AS A LEADER

Neal Swettenham - Y7

As we go on with God, our heart is to serve Him more effectively. But how can we grow as leaders? Where can we get the resources we need to go deeper into His word? Whatever leadership responsibilities you have, you can get more of the Bible into you by participating in theological training with Vineyard Institute. In this seminar Neal will explain the new VI courses coming online this year, which can be studied in your local church.

Neal Swettenham is Theology Co-ordinator for VCUK&I and leads Melton Vineyard with his wife, Eluned.

IT'S TIME FOR GLOBAL IMPACT

Cat Morris and Mary Cusack - F3

John Wimber put cross cultural church planting at the heart of the Vineyard DNA. With this in mind, is your church interested in making a significant impact overseas? Don't know where to start? Come and hear an honest account of the highs and lows of trying to get to the ends of the earth from two long-term cross cultural workers from Trent Vineyard, their pastor and support from their home church and the head of the Vineyard movement in the country they work in. There are vast numbers of people across the world who haven't even heard of His name. How can we be part of God's amazing plan for the world? Come and find out!

Cat Morris and Mary Cusack are the founders and directors of Love the One.

FORUM – FOR YOUTH LEADERS

DTI Team - F5

The Youth Forum will be an opportunity for youth leaders to gather together. Susie Aldridge and Paul Lowe will host a Q&A with the aim of answering any youth-related questions arising at a local level and concerning DTI.

Susie Aldridge oversees youth at Trent Vineyard and Paul Lowe is an Assistant Pastor at Trent Vineyard and assists in the running of DTI.

Wednesday Seminars, 4.15pm - 5.15pm

MAKING LOVE AND MAKING BABIES

John Wyatt - Auditorium

We will be looking at some of the painful and complex ethical issues around the beginning of life. 4 out of 10 women will have an abortion in their lifetime, yet many couples struggle with the pain of infertility and feel driven to use expensive and invasive technology to assist them. Screening tests during pregnancy raise new questions about how we should respond if we know that our child may have a disabling condition. How can we respond to these pastoral and ethical challenges with Christian compassion and practical relevance?

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MOVING YOUR CHILDRENS MINISTRY FROM SURVIVING TO THRIVING!

Katie Rogers - F1

Statistics show that the majority of children who grow up in the church do not stay in the church. But we cannot lose this generation, or we all lose! What if we leaders in the Vineyard were to do whatever it takes to position ourselves to release the kids of our churches to run hard after Jesus? This seminar takes a look at how we can build our churches in such a way as to root our children in their faith and equip them to worship, pray, prophesy and everything else they need for kingdom living.

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LIVING OUT THE GOSPEL AND THE POWER OF TESTIMONY

Jamie and Linda Watters - G4

The most powerful sermon we can preach is the testimony of what God is doing in and through our lives. Often you will find that people in our congregations have forgotten your sermon by Wednesday (No matter how skilfully crafted or delivered) yet they will remember the Holy Spirit stories for months and years to come. In this

seminar we would like to share some of our stories as well as exploring how to develop a legacy culture.

Jamie and Linda Watters Pastor the Glasgow Vineyard where they are developing a legacy culture that is hallmarked by radical activists and passionate lovers of God and people.

SILVER BULLET – CHURCH PLANTING – GATHERING YOUR FIRST 50 PEOPLE

Jason Scott - Y7

Every Church planter wants to know what the silver bullet is to gathering people. Truth is there is no silver bullet but there are principles and practices around every stage and phase of Church life that will keep you sane, the Church healthy and healthy churches grow.

Jason along with his wife Michelle lead Vineyard Church Dungannon, a growing, thriving, diverse community of faith planted in 2004. His passion is to create and sustain an outward-focused culture where the church engages with and brings life to their communities. Jason has been married since 1996 and has three boys, Caleb, Micah & Matthew. Outside of Vineyard and family he has a love for Dungannon Swifts Football Club.

THE CHANGING FACE OF TRUSTEESHIP

Jeremy Cook, Peter Sturrock and David Flowers - F3

With recent changes to the Equality Act and the new strategy of the Charity Commission, switching from resourcing to compliance and investigation, will effect our Churches. This seminar will unpack these areas especially with regard to: risk assessment, litigation and liability, DBS checks, child protection, gay marriage etc. We will be looking at the bigger picture and our strategy for the future and how we, as a denomination and a local church, ought to respond. **Note: This is a must attend for trustees!*

Jeremy Cook, Senior Pastor of Hull Vineyard is also the Chair of Trustees for VCUK&I.

Peter Sturrock, Senior Pastor of Aberdeen Vineyard is a trustee and secretary of VCUK&I.

David Flowers, Senior Pastor of Leeds Vineyard, is also a trustee of VCUK&I.

Thursday Seminars, 2.30pm - 3.45pm

KILL OR CURE? – CULTIVATING A HEALTHY CULTURE IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

Chris Lane - Auditorium

Erwin McManus describes leaders as “Cultural Architects” – Individuals who realise that they are responsible for more than people and programs, and who understand how to cherish the local church’s health through its culture and ethos.

Chris will explain how to do a simple “culture audit,” and to identify and avoid things that will be the death of us if left unattended. He will help identify things that will help build a healthy culture in the local church, making it a place where people find healing and wholeness, and a place where they can flourish and find their place in “the family business”.

Chris Lane and his wife Fliss, helped pioneer the Vineyard Movement in the UK, and founded St Albans Vineyard over 25 years ago.

CHURCH PLANTING – PANEL TO ANSWER Q&A

Steve Barber - F1

Steve Barber, and his panel of church planters will be addressing some of the key elements surrounding Church Planting. He’ll be discussing what it can look like to embark on a Church Planting journey as well as covering essential topics such as ‘Vision’, ‘Working as a Couple’ and how to get best prepared for a hugely significant life calling; planting, leading and pastoring a Church from scratch. This will be relatively informal, including a time for Q&A.

Steve Barber leads the Church Planting Taskforce for VCUK&I. Steve and his wife Juliet currently lead the Leicester City Vineyard, after moving to Leicester having spent 15 years leading a Vineyard Church in Southend.

HOW TO PLAN OUR PREACHING AND BUILDING A PREACHING TEAM

Chris Parsons - G4

“Help! It’s Saturday and I’ve still not prepared my Sunday talk! What should I be preaching on? Something from the Old or New Testament? Mmhh... something from the Gospels or one of the letters? But which one? Revelation? No... that’s what I need now! Or maybe something from that programme I watched on TV last night....”

Relax! This workshop will help you to plan ahead; bringing both a balanced diet to the church over the year and showing how you can build a preaching team to help you.

Chris Parsons serves as Regional Leader for London and the South East

PRESSING INTO THE SPIRIT – GROWING IN OUR MINISTRY OF THE SUPERNATURAL

Rob and Sarah Gardiner - Y7

Did Jesus really mean it that we would do even greater miraculous things than him?

What are some key principles that will allow us to engage with that reality?

How do we live lives full of Spiritual Power?

What about the “now” and the “not yet”?

How do we see consistent, regular healing in our ministries?

This seminar will include teaching and ministry for healing.

Rob & Sarah Gardiner lead Network Vineyard Church, a multi-site church in Reading and Bracknell, and the School of Supernatural Evangelism, a one year discipleship school, training people to minister in the supernatural.

AUDIO AND VISUALS FOR THE GROWING CHURCH

Rob Allen - F3

This seminar is aimed at church planters and churches of up to 100. It will look at the audio-visual setup you will need when starting out, as well as other sound and projection equipment that will be useful for improvement and expansion as your church grows. It will give you an overview of sound and projection equipment as well as media software to compliment it, and advice on budgeting for such. There will be a Q&A session to handle more specific questions about systems, mixing tips and any other queries about audio-visual management.

COMPASSION

Helen Murphy - Arches

An opportunity for anyone involved in compassion ministry to gather together and encourage one another. We’ll be praying and sharing ideas and stories.

Helen Murphy oversees the Compassion team at Trent Vineyard.

Thursday Seminars, 4.15pm - 5.15pm

GOD ON MUTE – ENGAGING THE SILENCE OF UNANSWERED PRAYER

Pete Greig - Auditorium

Pete Greig is one of the founding champions of the 24-7 Prayer movement, and the Director of Prayer for Holy Trinity, Brompton in London, and a facilitator for the Campus America initiative. 24-7 Prayer has grown rapidly and unexpectedly from a single night-and-day prayer vigil into an interdenominational movement of prayer, mission and justice that has touched more than a third of the nations on earth since 1999.

NATURAL CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

Lynn Chetcuti - F1

Jesus said “I will build my church. “ What exactly is our job?

A man scatters seed.... and all by itself the soil produces growth (Mk4:26-28). Our responsibility, is to address issues that inhibit growth, and provide the necessary nurture.

This seminar focuses on universal principles evident in all growing churches. How empowering is your leadership? Do your people understand their gifting/calling? How focused are they in their ministry? Do your small groups truly invest in the heads, hands and hearts of your members, enabling them to steward all God has given them?

We must capitalise on strengths and growth opportunities, prioritising our investment as we pursue health and growth.

KEEPING AN OUTWARD FOCUS – MOBILISING THE WHOLE CHURCH FOR EVANGELISM

Chris and Nic Kimmance - G4

Archbishop William Temple's oft-quoted saying of the church existing for the benefit of its non-members, is a challenge to all of us in church leadership. But how do we get this become a part of our DNA and to encourage every person to play their part in loving and serving those who don't know Jesus? With lots of practical advice, this seminar will aim to cover how to establish the necessary values and see them outworked in the day to day.

Chris & Nic run Ashford Vineyard, in Kent. Chris is also a teacher and Nic a speech therapist and they have two young girls aged three and four. They have a passion for the unchurched and eating out. Great combination!

COMMUNICATING FOR MOMENTUM AND GROWTH

Mark Crosby - Y7

What role does communication play in helping you build momentum and grow your church?

In this seminar we'll look at when and how to communicate to your church and beyond; the tools available to you and how to make best use of them to help grow your church and maintain momentum.

Mark Crosby is the Director of Communications for Vineyard Churches, and serves at Leicester City Vineyard.

TRUSTEES FORUM – PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS OF TRUSTEESHIP

Jeremy Cook, Peter Sturrock and David Flowers - F3

In this forum we will be unpacking some of the practical details of being a trustee in the Vineyard, finding resources, developing trustees, finding new trustees, how to avoid the danger zones, exchanging ideas and finding out how we can help each other. We will be having a Q&A session and will be talking about some of our new initiatives. This will be an informal session to give you the opportunity to connect and exchange thoughts!

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