

Ministry in Birmingham



An Ecumenical Day Course and Tour for Church Leaders and Church organisers

For those who are new to Birmingham / who want to find out more

Wednesday 21 October, 2015

Venue: City Centre Birmingham

How is power changing in the city? What role for churches ?

Topics / Speakers include:

Crime & Community: Yvonne Mosquito, Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner
Changing Public Sector: Jacqui Kennedy, Acting Strategic Director, B'ham Council
Young People, Housing & Vol Sector: Alan Fraser, Chief Executive Bham YMCA
Church and Ethnic Diversity in Birmingham

**Double-Decker Bus Tour of Birmingham, and
Visits to see Churches engaging with Local Issues**

More information and booking: val.dalton@cigb.org.uk 0121 426 0425



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in partnership with Birmingham City Council**

Aims of the Day

- ◇ Understand some of the social and economic context for ministry in the city of Birmingham today
- ◇ Be Inspired by examples of churches working imaginatively in the city
- ◇ See variety and change in the city
- ◇ Meet some key people and learn where to find partners
- ◇ Get to know ecumenical church colleagues

Why this course?

Our churches' mission in Birmingham is to a city where God is at work through many different communities and organisations. To collaborate with God we need to understand something of the City's history, geography and economics, and its future plans. We can most often make a Godly difference when we take account of other people's agendas.

The Church is often asked to contribute to decision-making and activities that affect our neighbourhoods. Individuals are affected by the structures around them. We can be part of setting the direction of our city.

Programme for the day

- 08.45 Coffee
- 09.00 Welcome
- 09.15 Worship and Prayer for Birmingham
- 09.45 Aims for the day. Introduction to the City and its Christian communities
Rev'd Peter Sellick, CIGB
- 10.00 The City Council: Changes in Birmingham
Jacqui Kennedy, Acting Strategic Director for 'Place', Birmingham City Council
- 10.20 Crime and Communities in Birmingham
Cllr Yvonne Mosquito, Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner, West Midlands
- 10.45 Coffee Break
- 11.05 Housing, Faith and Voluntary Sector
Alan Fraser, Chief Executive, YMCA Birmingham
- 11.25 Church and Ethnic Diversity in Birmingham
- 11.45 Discussion and questions: Faith and Birmingham's Future
- 12.15 Lunch
- 12.45 Bus tour of Birmingham—signs of past and future
- 13.45 Visit 'God's Heart for Longbridge' - Churches and Community Regeneration
- 14.30 Tour continues
- 15.15 Salvation Army Birmingham Citadel (tbc)
- 16.15 Arrive back in Victoria Square

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Who is the course for?

Church leaders, church organisers and all who have responsibility in their community.

Previous recommendations/Feedback

“A great programme!” “Genius.” “Excellent” “A real inspiration for my ministry in Birmingham.” “Good to meet people.”

Organised by

The Churches and Industry Group Birmingham and Solihull, (CIGB), which has experience of Church-community, public and private sector partnerships. CIGB is an ecumenical church project working for a faithful economy and society. CIGB supports over 50 Workplace Chaplains in organisations and enterprises across Birmingham and Solihull. For more information about CIGB, please visit www.cigb.org.uk

Booking

To book, complete the form, detach it and return to: **CIGB, 7th Floor, 1 Colmore Row, BIRMINGHAM, B3 2BJ** by **Friday 25th September** together with a cheque for £25 per person, payable to ‘CIGB’.

Booking form

The following people would like to book for the ‘Ministry in Birmingham’ day course on Wednesday 21st October 2015.

Name(s):

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Contact Address:

..... Post Code:

Email: Tel:

Church/organisation:

Dietary requirements/ disability needs:

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A cheque for £25 per person, payable to ‘CIGB’ is enclosed. Please tick.