



MINISTERS CONFERENCE 2026

9 - 11TH FEBRUARY

**Crossroads: The Church Between
Reaction and Renewal**

Monday 9th February

- 12.30 p.m. Arrival and Registration
1.00 Lunch
2.00 Welcome, introduction and worship
2.30 Colliding at the Crossroads
with Rev Dr Helen Paynter
3.30 Tea
4.00 Colliding at the Crossroads *cont....*
5.30 Free Time / District Ministers' Meeting/ CYF Gathering
6:30 Dinner
8.00 The Future of Formation (inc Evening Prayer)
with Rev Tim Fergusson
9.00 Close - Bar Open and Quiz time with Carol B.

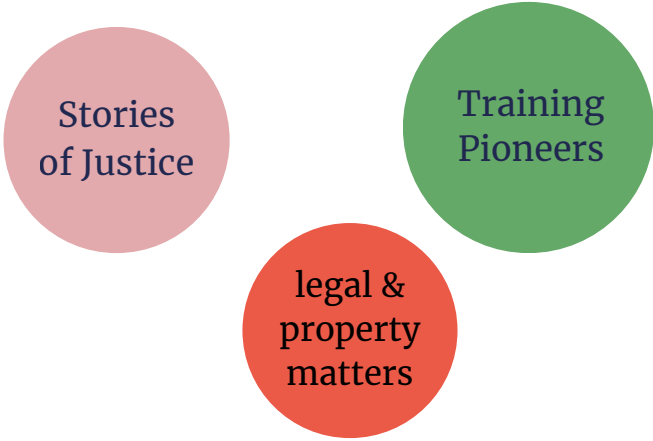
Tuesday 10th February

- 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayers – *Rev Hany Abdelmasih (LB)*
8.30 Breakfast
9.30 Worship
10:00 Renewal at the Crossroads
with Phil Knox
11:00 Coffee
11:30 Renewal at the Crossroads *cont....*
1.00 p.m. Lunch

Afternoon free



5.15 p.m. Workshops & Seminars



Stories
of Justice

Training
Pioneers

legal &
property
matters

6.30 Dinner

8.00 BMS Session and Evening Prayer
with Rev Kwame Adzam (BMS)

9.00 Close - Bar Open

Wednesday 11th February

8.00 a.m. Morning Prayers – *Rev Elaine Youngman*

8.30 Breakfast

9.30 Worship

9.45 Training at the Crossroads
with Rev Phil Barnard and Team

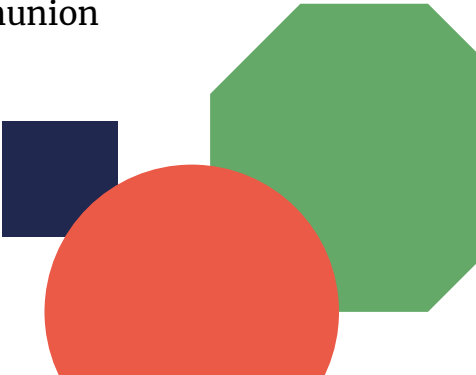
10.45 Coffee

11.00 Training at the Crossroads *cont.....*

11.45 Prayer, Worship and Communion

12.45 p.m. Wrapping up.....

1.00 Lunch and depart



Keynote Speakers

Rev. Dr Helen Paynter

Rev Dr Helen Paynter is Director of Theological Education and Tutor in Biblical Studies at Bristol Baptist College. She is also the founding director of the College's Centre for the Study of Bible and Violence, which exists to facilitate cutting-edge research in the areas of hermeneutics of biblical violence and the abuse of the Bible in a violent world, and to serve the churches by providing resources in these areas. Helen has a Masters in Missional Church Leadership, another Masters in Biblical Studies, and a PhD in Old Testament. Her most recent publication is *Blessed are the Peacemakers: A biblical theology of human violence* (Zondervan, 2023)



Phil Knox



Phil Knox is an evangelist and missiologist at the Evangelical Alliance. He is passionate about making Jesus known and the power of friendship. He loves learning and has degrees in law and mission and evangelism. Phil is married to Dani and they have two sons, Caleb and Jos. He is an avid runner, enthusiastic waterskier and once broke the world record for the longest five-a-side football match. He is also an award winning performance poet and author of *Story Bearer* and *The Best of Friends*.