



**MINISTERS CONFERENCE 2026**

**9 - 11<sup>TH</sup> 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 Seeking in the Local Church – *Led by the London Baptists Justice Hub*

Training Pioneers – *Led by Dave Mann and team*

Charity Registration, Constitutions and Property Matters – *Led by Martin Shaw and the LB Property Board*

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 The Movement at a Crossroads  
*with Rev Phil Barnard and Team*

10.45 Coffee

11.00 The Movement at a 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*.