

# BIRMINGHAM

## SPRING CONVENTION 2026

Weakness



Friday 8th & Saturday 9th May  
at THE PRIORY ROOMS

OUR  
**STRENGTH**

with speaker **JOHN HINDLEY**

**CONVENTION KIDS** all day Saturday

## FRIDAY 8th May at 7.30pm

Session 1: **The weakness of Christ** - *1 Corinthians 1:18-25*

Mission focus: Jeremy Bass, Good News For Everyone

## SATURDAY 9th May at 11am

11am Session 2: **The weakness of Christ's followers**  
- *1 Corinthians 1:18-29*

12.15pm Choice of 3 seminars

1pm Lunch

2pm Choice of 3 seminars (repeated)

### **The impact of knife crime and the Church's response**

Jason O'Shea, Tayo O'Shea and Sarah Olumegbon,  
Operation Forgiveness

### **The challenges and opportunities of cultivating a Christian ethos in an Academy**

Ronald Skelton, Broadway Academy

### **Mission amongst people of different faiths**

Canon Dr Andrew Smith, Church of England

3pm Session 3: **The weakness of Christ's church**  
- *1 Corinthians 3:5-9*



**John Hindley** grew up in a Christian home and came to faith as a student at Exeter University. Since then Jesus has proved himself faithful, true and full of kindness to John. He studied for ministry at Oak Hill College and serves as one of the elders at Broadgrace Church in Coltishall, Norfolk. He is the author of several books, including 'Weakness Our Strength'.

# CONVENTION KIDS



On Saturday 9th May, alongside the adult programme, we are once again running sessions for those aged 12 and under. These will have a fun, holiday club style and we will learn about God's awesome rescue plan and the part we can play in it. There will be craft, games, Bible stories, snacks, and so much more!

These sessions will be led by the Birmingham City Mission Children's Team and we'd love to see you there.

Please register your children through the form accessed via the QR code opposite. Bookings will close on Wednesday 6th May.

Any questions please get in touch:  
**[childrensteam@birminghamcitymission.co.uk](mailto:childrensteam@birminghamcitymission.co.uk)**



## SEMINAR LEADERS

**Jason O'Shea**, his wife **Tayo O'Shea** and Tayo's mother, **Sarah Olumegbon** lead a ministry called Operation Forgiveness as part of London City Mission. This is an early intervention initiative designed to combat violence that affects young people. It was birthed from the tragic loss of Sarah's youngest son, Zac, who was stabbed and murdered at the age of 15.

**Ronald Skelton** is Headmaster of Broadway Academy, an outdoor education centre and working farm in Worcester, and is the longest-serving secondary headteacher in Birmingham. In 2021 Ron set up Redditch Youth for Christ. He speaks at conferences on subjects such as leadership, school improvement, Christian ethos and conflict resolution.

**Canon Dr Andrew Smith** is the Director of Interfaith Relations for the Bishop of Birmingham and has worked amongst people of different faiths in Birmingham for over 30 years. He has written extensively on interfaith relations, including the book 'Vibrant Christianity in Multi-Faith Britain'.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

The Priory Rooms Quaker Meeting House is at 40 Bull Street, Birmingham B4 6AF near Snow Hill Station. For a map visit **[theprioryrooms.co.uk/find-us](http://theprioryrooms.co.uk/find-us)**. If you are driving into the city centre it is a Clean Air Zone and, depending on your car, you may need to pay.

There is a hot drinks machine in the Atrium at the Priory Rooms and drinks cost £2 each. On Saturday bring a picnic lunch or there are many cafés and shops close by to buy food.

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