

Southern & Islands

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015

10/10: Worship: Leading & Preaching Tutor & Mentor Training Day. *Trinity Centre, Ringwood.* MR, GH

15/10: Worship: Leading & Preaching Tutor & Mentor Training Day Ashford, Kent. MR, GH

28/10 Worship: Leading & Preaching Tutor & Mentor Training Day London. *MR*, *GH*

02/10: Methodist Schools Network Day Victoria Hall, Sheffield. Connexional. Further information via KD

Please review 'Additional events...' information below for circuit-based event opportunities.



We are now working alongside the Southampton District and the Twyford Chapel congregation on an exciting 'reimagining' venture.

Good News from August/ early Sept:

Welcome to Adrian Roux who has joined our team all the way from South Africa! Adrian is the Ministry Development officer and is greatly looking forward to getting to know the region, and we are greatly looking forward to getting to know him!

The Worship: Leading & Preaching events in London on the 18th & 20th August were well attended and full of insightful discussion. Working alongside the London District provided a rich and diverse mix of people and discussion.

Consultation work with the **Twyford Chapel** congregation has started. There has already

been much thoughtful consideration and many creative ideas from the local community for what the future may hold for the quaint and historic place of worship.

Clive McKie's pioneering Ignatian Meditation **Rest & Reflect** project in Reigate has gained momentum and support. Clive has been busy consulting social media experts and his local community regarding getting his project online and global!

The Southampton District Lay Employees

event was uplifting and abuzz with conversation. It included a heart-warming farewell to Nicola Briggs in her district role; we hope to see her

soon and wish her well on her new journey!

It was a blessing to be present at the **Southampton District Induction event**, to meet the wonderful people embarking on their ministry in the south of our region.

Matthew greatly enjoyed his visit to Guernsey. He introduced the new **Worship: Leading and Preaching** course to a positive reception; to high levels of engagement, enquiry and interest.

We have a great regional presence for **3Generate 2015!** Places remain for the 18-23s.

Additional events, information & requests

"WE COME TO YOU!" We are currently hosting a variety of events in response to requests from circuits. Therefore, please contact us if you would like a circuit-based event that focuses on: <u>Circuit Leadership Team Training (MR)</u>, <u>Social Media Training (KD)</u>, <u>Local Preachers and Worship Leaders</u> <u>Course Familiarisation (MR/ GH)</u>, <u>Youth Participation in 3Generate (KD)</u>, <u>Pioneering Pathways and Fresh Expressions (KD)</u>, <u>Positive Working</u> <u>Together Familiarisation (GH)</u>, and <u>Deepening Discipleship Weekends (GR)</u> Please do get in touch with any other event enquiries.

Please help Katie add to the existing Fresh Expressions map- please make her aware of any FX projects and/or pioneering people in the region.

Matthew and Graham are working on developing resources to help circuits embrace the new W:L&P course- they welcome your contributions.

Matthew is currently planning the 2016 <u>Circuit Stewards Conferences</u>. Please contact him with your suggestions and advice. The conference based in the Southampton District will be held on <u>Saturday 4th June 2016</u>, with new circuit stewards meeting on <u>Friday 3rd June 2016</u>. The conference based in the South East District will be held on <u>Saturday 11th June 2016</u>, with new circuit stewards meeting on <u>Friday 10th June 2016</u>. Venues TBC

Please continue to encourage bookings for 3Generate, particularly 18-23 year olds.

We are looking forward to the Southampton District Synod on the 12/9 and the South East District Synod on the 19/9



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