



Tuesday, 10 June 2025, Coventry Cathedral

# Being Missional Today

Disruption, Liminality & Reconciliation

*A festival of ideas on missional thinking, with experiential learning opportunities, in dialogue with 22 different speakers and practitioners.*



## Keynote speakers:

Rt Revd Dr

**Guli Francis-Dehqani**

Bishop of Chelmsford, and

Revd Dr

**Al Barrett**

Rector, Hodge Hill Church



**Being Missional Today** is a conference that combines a festival of ideas on missional thinking, offered mostly by published authors, developed in conversation with participants. Experiential learning opportunities are woven into the gathering.

A significant proportion of the speakers are people of global majority heritage, along with others whose voices have historically been marginalised.

**In dialogical pairs, speakers are invited to address one of these questions:**

- How might social and political disruptions, and **disruptions** within the church, aid or frustrate our work for the kingdom of God?
- In what ways is this current season **liminal**, for the church and those amongst whom we serve? How might the church need to be reshaped for such a season, and work differently?
- How might practices of **reconciliation** enable us to engage fruitfully in our local contexts today?

**The hoped-for conference outcomes include:**

- A renewed hope and sense of solidarity for participants engaging missionally in their local contexts;
- Better networking and encouragement of those seeking to learn from traditions and perspectives beyond dominant missional and church-planting models; and
- Accidental encounters between participants, who might learn from one another, collaborate in future or be inspired to explore new avenues.

**The intended audience includes:**

- Local church and parish clergy and lay ministers.
- Relevant cathedral canons and large church missionaries.
- Those with responsibility for diocesan/area mission and ministry development.
- Diocesan, area or regional missionaries and resource people.
- Those who are part of the sponsoring organisations' networks.

**Cost:**

**£75 per participant.**

A group discount is available to organisations booking for at least 5 participants.

£45 for those in part- or full-time theological education with a denominationally recognised college.

A discounted rate is available for members of sponsoring organisations.

**Book via: [reconciliation-initiatives.org/being-missional-today](https://reconciliation-initiatives.org/being-missional-today)**

## Sponsoring organisations



Recognised worldwide as a leading centre for reconciliation.



Ending poverty, together.



An ecumenical Christian movement working for justice and peace, the rebuilding of community and the renewal of worship.



Resourcing leaders and churches to address inequalities and strengthen community relationships.

## Confirmed seminar speakers and workshop leaders:



Revd Dr  
**Al Barrett**



Revd Dr  
**Alastair McKay**



Revd Canon Dr  
**Carlton Turner**



Revd Canon Dr  
**Catherine Okoronkwo**



Revd  
**Charlotte Gale**



Dr  
**David Brubaker**



**Emma Griffiths**



Revd Canon Dr  
**Gale Richards**



Revd  
**Graham Adamson**



Dr  
**Harvey Kwiyani**



Very Revd  
**John Witcombe**



Revd  
**Mina Munns**



Revd Canon Dr  
**Peniel Rajkumar**



Prof.  
**Robert Beckford**



Revd  
**Rosy Fairhurst**



Revd  
**Ruth Harley**



Revd Canon Dr  
**Sharon Prentis**



**Vicki Adamson**



Dr  
**Victoria Turner**



To be announced