

BEING MISSIONAL TODAY, 10 June 2025: Seminars & Workshops

Session 1: 11:50am – 12:50pm

Seminar 1a (#1): Carlton Turner and Catherine Okoronkwo

<p>Revd Canon Dr Carlton Turner is tutor in Contextual Theology and Mission Studies and Deputy Director of Research at the Queen's Foundation, Birmingham. He is the author of <i>Caribbean Contextual Theology: An Introduction</i> (2024).</p>	<p>Revd Canon Dr Catherine Okoronkwo serves as Canon Steward at St Paul's Cathedral, London. She is also a poet, and the author of <i>Blood and Water / obara na mmiri</i> (2020).</p>
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Seminar 1b (#2): Peniel Rajkumar and Victoria Turner

<p>Revd Canon Dr Peniel Rajkumar is Global Theologian and Director of Global Mission with the United Society Partners in the Gospel (USPG). He is the co-editor, with Victoria Turner and others, of <i>Lived Mission in 21st Century Britain: Ecumenical and Postcolonial Perspectives</i> (2024).</p>	<p>Dr Victoria Turner is a lecturer in Theology and Mission at Ripon College, Cuddesdon, and a member of the United Reformed Church. She is the editor of <i>Emerging, Awake and Connected: Meditations on Justice from a Missing Generation</i> (2024).</p>
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Seminar 1c (#3): Rosy Fairhurst and Martin Robinson

<p>Revd Rosy Fairhurst is a vicar of two Muslim-majority parishes in inner city Bradford, with a longstanding interest in liminality. She is the co-author of <i>Crossing Thresholds: A Practical Theology of Liminality</i> (2021).</p>	<p>Dr Martin Robinson is the Moderator Emeritus of the Fellowship of Churches of Christ, and former Director for Mission and Theology at the Bible Society. A widely published author, his titles include <i>The Place of the Parish: Imagining Mission in Our Neighbourhood</i> (2020).</p>
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Workshop 1: Vicki and Graham Adamson - Crafty Café

<p>Vicki Adamson is a textile artist, specialising in liturgical paraments and vestments. She co-leads <i>Crafty Café</i> a weekly craft-based café with a focus on encouraging and supporting anyone struggling with their mental health.</p>	<p>Revd Graham Adamson is a vicar near Stafford, in Lichfield Diocese. He is keen to find ways to use the creative arts to promote the healing we gain from our heavenly creator, and to help mark significant events in the story of a community.</p>
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Session 2: 1:45 – 2:45pm

Seminar 2a (#4): Al Barrett and Ruth Harley

<p>Revd Dr Al Barrett is the vicar of Hodge Hill in east Birmingham. He is the author of a critique of the Church of England's vision and strategy: 'Simpler, humbler, bolder? Smaller church theology' in <i>Crucible: The Journal of Christian Social Ethics</i>, July 2024.</p>	<p>Revd Ruth Harley is a vicar in the Diocese of Newcastle and a feminist practical theologian. She is the co-author with Al Barrett of <i>Being Interrupted: Reimagining the Church's Mission from the Outside, In</i> (2020).</p>
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Seminar 2b (#5): Harvey Kwiyani and Sharon Prentis

<p>Dr Harvey Kwiyani is the director of the Centre for Global Witness and Human Migration at the Church Mission Society, and a Malawian theologian. He is the author of <i>Multicultural Kingdom: Ethnic Diversity, Mission and the Church</i> (2020)</p>	<p>Revd Canon Dr Sharon Prentis is the Deputy Director of the Church of England's Racial Justice Unit, with many years' experience in education, community work and health settings. She is the editor of <i>Every Tribe: Stories of Diverse Saints Serving a Diverse World</i> (2019)</p>
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Seminar 2c (#6): John Witcombe, Charlotte Gale & Emma Griffiths

<p>Very Revd John Witcombe is the Dean of Coventry, and leads Coventry Cathedral and its international reconciliation ministry through the Community of the Cross of Nails. He is the editor of <i>The Curate's Guide: From Calling to First Parish</i> (2014)</p>	<p>Revd Charlotte Gale is an Anglican Priest who co-leads St Clare's, a pioneer church community based at Coventry Cathedral, founded 7 years ago. She is the author of <i>Simple, Generous, Open: Mission and Renewal in the Progressive Church</i> (2024)</p>
<p>Emma Griffiths is the Reconciliation Learning Lead at Coventry Cathedral, overseeing the ICON schools and reconciliation learning work. She has an MA in Peacebuilding and Reconciliation.</p>	

Workshop 2: Mina Munns - Using **LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY®** method & materials for vision

<p>Revd Mina Munns is an experienced priest, coach and facilitator, currently leading two churches in Derby. She is a trained facilitator of LEGO® SERIOUS PLAY® method and materials and will introduce using LEGO® for vision. She is the author of <i>We All Share: Introducing Holy Communion to Under 5s through Play, Exploration and Creativity</i> (2018).</p>

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Session 3: 3:15 – 4:15pm

Seminar 3a (#7): Robert Beckford and Gale Richards

<p>Prof. Robert Beckford is a scholar-activist and broadcaster, whose films include <i>After the Flood: The Church, Slavery and Reconciliation</i> (2022). He is the co-editor, with Rachel Starr, of <i>Behold the Men: An Introduction to Critical Theologies of Masculinities</i> (2025)</p>	<p>Revd Canon Dr Gale Richards serves as a regional Baptist minister for the Eastern Baptist Association, and also as a chaplain and researcher. She is the co-editor of <i>Journeying to Justice: Contributions to the Baptist Tradition Across the Black Atlantic</i> (2017)</p>
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Seminar 3b (#8): Alastair McKay and David Brubaker

<p>Revd Dr Alastair McKay is the director of Reconciliation Initiatives, an English charity facilitating learning and development work with church leaders. He is the co-author of <i>Reconciling Mission: Realizing God's Reign through Community Engagement</i> (forthcoming: 2025)</p>	<p>Dr David Brubaker is a mediator, organizational consultant and author, and Professor Emeritus of Organizational Studies at Eastern Mennonite University, Virginia. He is the co-author of <i>Reconciling Mission: Realizing God's Reign through Community Engagement</i> (forthcoming: 2025)</p>
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Seminar 3c (#9): Ruth Harley and Victoria Turner

<p>Dr Victoria Turner is a Lecturer in Theology and Mission at Ripon College, Cuddesdon, and a member of the United Reformed Church. She is a contributor to <i>Confounding the Mighty: Stories of Church, Social Class and Solidarity</i> (2023)</p>	<p>Revd Ruth Harley is a vicar in the Diocese of Newcastle and a feminist practical theologian. She is a contributor to <i>Confounding the Mighty: Stories of Church, Social Class and Solidarity</i> (2023)</p>
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Workshop 3: Guided walking tour of Coventry Cathedral

<p>Coventry Cathedral stands as a powerful symbol of peace and reconciliation and as an active centre of the Christian faith. Join this workshop to learn more about its history, art, and architecture; plus, the role it plays in reconciliation across the world.</p>
