

Welcome back



12-14 October 2021
Sandown Park, Surrey

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At full stretch – but on target for Sandown Park



As an exhibition team, you're about to be stretched - and it will be painful.

So said musician and worship leader Chris Bowater during a public time of worship at CRE Midlands last year.

We had no idea how prophetic those words would prove to be! Days later the

UK locked down, with exhibitions forbidden indefinitely. But even Chris could not have foreseen how long the stretching would last.

He was alluding to Psalm 78:9 in which *'the warriors of Ephraim, being armed, and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.'*

'Though skilled

archers,' he explained, 'they turned away from battle, their bows slackened. Things had become too easy. But you will not be like those warriors. You will tighten up your bow. The stretching has a purpose because God has a target he wants you to reach.'

Two postponed exhibitions and some

18 months later, we certainly have one aim - to fling wide the gates of Sandown Park and show you how dozens of organisations are responding to the new challenges of a changed world.

We always love to see you - but this year we especially ask for your support by bringing a team from your church and backing our loyal exhibitors.

We are delighted that British-born Bible teacher and top-class communicator Jeff Lucas, now resident in the USA, will speak on all three days. And aware that some form



Jeff Lucas

of social distancing may still be necessary, we've moved part of the exhibition from the main Surrey Hall to the Esher Hall below - allowing the creation of wider aisles in both halls and a possible one-way system. Other safety measures will depend on government stipulations at the time and may include hand sanitisers, protective screens at registration, socially-distanced seminar rooms, toilets and breakout areas. Whatever the case, your safety will be a major focus.

It's been a challenging 18 months for us all. Our prayer is that, as we look back, we will see how a greater good has come from these extraordinary days and that thousands of churches, far from slackening their efforts, played a strategic role in bringing renewed hope and healing to their communities.



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Nothing beats tasting it

Congregations will politely agree to differ over styles of worship.

And they'll live and let live over Christian doctrine.

But oh dear, when it comes to after-church coffee it's nothing short of jar wars. Cappuccino? I'd prefer Cubano. Mocha? No, Macchiato!

So, when buying in bulk, your first stop has



to be CRE. Best of all, many exhibitors are committed to fair trade and ethical sourcing for coffee, tea, chocolate and even 'green' building materials.

You'll discover specialist goods and services for churches not easily found on the high street. And meeting the characters behind the coffee beans

makes all the difference.

In our opinion, nothing really beats it.

CHURCH DIGITAL

Communicate or Disintegrate



Tue 12 Oct

Without good communications even your best-laid plans will falter and fail. Hosted by experts CPO, this conference will help your church adapt and thrive in the digital age. Sessions include:

- **The Future of Church Communications**

How creative communications will help you unpack the Gospel to the community you serve

- **Social Media Made Simple**

Pick up advice galore from Digital Church Toolkit's Josh Stannard and Peter Murden, who have assisted more than 500 churches and Christian organisations in the past 12 months

- **Dare to Stream**

Take the next steps to more effective live streaming

- **See and hear the Christmas message like never before!**

How CPO can help you and your church share the light of Jesus this Advent. Plus: A Fresh Sound - using the power of worship music to communicate a message of hope to the world



Stew Smith



Martin Smith (tbc)



Josh Stannard
and Peter Murden

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CHURCH WORSHIPFUL

Mission Worship Wednesday



Graham Kendrick



Lucy Grimble



Noel Robinson



Helen Yousaf



Wed 13 Oct

So much has happened over the past 18 months with the challenge of change all around.

What will worship look like, post-pandemic? Does anything really need to change? And with new online congregations now plugging into our offline services, how do we bring together physical and digital?

Mission Worship Wednesday will dig into these and many more questions – equipping you with new ideas and fresh strategies to go again in a new season for church and community. Contributors include Graham Kendrick, Noel Robinson, Helen Yousaf, Lucy Grimble, Rich Butt and many more. Come and worship – and be inspired by what God has for us all as we reach out to a shaken world.

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CHURCH CONNECTED

Home Groups Conference



Every day 11am-1pm

At last! A major event, on all three days of CRE National, for leaders and would-be leaders of home groups, the lifeblood of local church communities.

- Pick up tips about running the best programme for your community
- Experience home groups in action, led by leading authors Amy Boucher Pye, Lauren Windle, Paul Kerensa, Martin Saunders, Julie Wilson, Becky May and Phil Knox
- Take home an exclusive home groups goody bag

NB The conference comes at no extra cost but pre-booking at creonline.co.uk/tickets is essential due to room capacity limits.

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 **home groups**



Amy Boucher Pye



Martin Saunders



Lauren Windle



Paul Kerensa

Three days of discovery for you and your church

Meet the people behind the products

Because face to face beats mouse to mouse

A Abundant Life/Zoe Records
Access Insurance
Action Planning
AH Ministries
All Saints Surveyors
Alpha Furniture
Amana Trust
Andrew Silley - Independent
Utility Consultant
Anthony J Smith (Gloucester)
Ltd - Lighting
API Sound & Visual
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Berean Publishing Trust
Bible Education Service
Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF)
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Canaan Christian Ministries
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Casala
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Chapter Two Books
Charity Bank
Children's Society (The)
Chinese Church Support
Ministries (CCSM)
Christian Conference Trust
Christian Gift Company (The)
Christian Friends of Israel
Christian Publishing & Outreach
(CPO)

Christian TEFL
Christian Watch
Church Army
Church Ecomiser
Church Edit
Church Lighting Systems
Church of England
(continuing)
Church Urban Fund
ChurchBuild
Churches for All
Clarity in Sound Light &
Vision
College of St Barnabas
Cornerstone North East
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Creation Ministries
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DM Music
Dunphy Church Heating

E Ecclesiastical Insurance
Embrace The Middle East
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Embracing Age
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Good News Evangelistic News
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Kingdom Coffee
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L Leaders of Worship and Preachers
Trust (LWPT)
Leading the Way
Lee Abbey
Let's Imagine
Life Events /Church of England
Lifeworlds
Limelight Studio
Link to Hope
Lion Hudson
Loveworld TV

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McCabe Pilgrimages
MEB Design
Mellor and Mottram
Midshire Business
Systems
Moorlands College
Motorcycle Funerals

N Nelson Catering
Equipment
Novum AV

O One Way UK
Open Bible Trust

P Parish Giving Service
Parish Pump
Pentecostal Credit Union
Pilgrims Friends Society
Purpose Driven UK

R RightNow Media

S Salvation Army
Saville Jones Architects

SICO staging and furniture
Siloam Christian Ministries
Single Friendly Church
Snug Architects
SPCK
St Andrews Bookshop
Star Advertising
Starfish Malawi
Stewardship
Story Keepers

T Taste and See
Thompson Bradford Architects
Torch Trust
Torpedo Factory Group
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Trinitas Church Insurance
Trinity Church Furniture
Trust Advice

U United Reformed Church
USPG

V vatadvice.org
Viscount Organs

W Walk through the Bible
Waverley Abbey Resources

Y Yarnfield Park
Yeldall Manor
Youth for Christ
Youthscape

Nothing beats discussing it



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CRE National 2021?**
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(list correct at time of printing)

CHURCH RESILIENT

Faith and Finance



John Keskeys



Alice O'Brien



David Saint

Your church may be among the half (46 per cent)* facing a decline in donations during the pandemic. So how do you respond positively to the changing needs and patterns of giving in your congregation? Among those contributing to a series of seminars on faith and finance are:

- John Keskeys of Stewardship, who leads the church and charity team focussed on church growth, health, sustainability and multiplication
- Alice O'Brien of Givt, creators of a unique app that supports churches through giver-focussed giving, without payment terminals or expensive hardware
- David Saint, of Action Planning, who draws on over 30 years' experience (including three recessions!) helping churches raise substantial sums for capital projects

** Changing Church Survey 2021 from the Evangelical Alliance*



CHURCH UNIVERSAL

Windrush: Exploring the Legacy



Roy Francis



Elaine Bowes



Ken Burton

- **Windrush: word and song**

A Celebration of the history of British gospel music in words, music and song presented by Roy Francis with the Ken Burton Singers (Tue 12 Oct)

- **Windrush: the Caribbean story**

A panel discussion introduced and chaired by Roy Francis (Wed 13 Oct)

- **After Windrush: reverse mission**

The leaders of many fast-growing UK churches are from Africa. Britain brought Christianity to them. Now they believe it is their turn to lead Britain back to God. How do they intend to accomplish 'reverse mission'? Rev David Shosanya, former regional director of the London Baptist Association, explains (Thu 14 Oct)

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Nothing beats handling it

Lend Moses a hand and, suddenly, the children at church are hearing what it was like facing up to Pharaoh and those pesky Egyptians.

From the man himself.

In truth, hundreds of people only took the creative art of puppetry seriously after discovering a clutch of bearded patriarchs on a stand at CRE. Now it's become a vital part of

their children's ministry.

Of course, the exhibition is about computers and communion wine, heating and seating but it's also about dozens of fresh ideas for effective children's and youth work.

Best of all, you can meet the people behind the products. And puppets.

And even end up having a big hand in it all.

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CHURCH GEN Z

Youth Workers' Day



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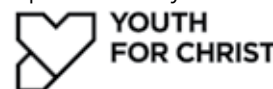


Lou Woolcock



Bob Goody

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Thu 14 Oct

More than one in four young people said they felt unable to cope with life during the pandemic. Two in five 18 to 34-year-olds admitted to praying more while one in four visited an online church.*

At this critical time, join us for a full day of input and encouragement exploring youth ministry as we come out of the pandemic. Gain valuable insight into youth evangelism, young people's spiritual development in the family context and the latest research on Gen Z. We'll also point you to resources to help your youth ministry thrive. Subjects include:

- Youth and families: How your youth work can reach deeper and wider
- Gen Z: What you need to know to make your youth work fly
- Evangelism through the lens of Alpha Youth
- Restoring confidence in the Gospel with today's youth

** Surveys conducted by Savanta ComRes and commissioned by YourNeighbour and Prince's Trust 2021 Annual Survey*

Book ahead for as little as £3 each (£8 on the door)

Arts: A Celebration



Cindy Kent



Sue Hodge



Frank Williams

Wed 13 Oct

For decades, the arts were considered a poor choice for serious-minded Christians - until a small group of musicians, actors and broadcasters, including Nigel Goodwin, Sir Cliff Richard and Rev Cindy Kent MBE, formed the Arts Centre Group in 1971, supporting artists to be 'fully professional and fully Christian'. Still going strong, Rev Cindy, CRE's 'queen of conversation', will host a special day-long event, celebrating the ACG's 50th birthday.

Enjoy contributions from a number of special guests, including Frank Williams (vicar in the original Dad's Army) and Sue Hodge ('Allo 'Allo) from Christians In Entertainment. And there will be a special focus on encouraging the next generation of aspiring performers, broadcasters, authors and journalists.

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ARTS CENTRE GROUP



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Nothing beats being there



How to get there

Sandown Park is located in a picturesque parkland setting in the town of Esher, Surrey. Parking is FREE!

It is within the M25 and only 25 minutes by train from London Waterloo or 15 miles from South West London. Courtesy bus runs between Esher station and Sandown Park.

Tickets

Save at least 50% on your ticket by booking in advance

- The cost of entry is £4 when you register in advance - a saving of 50% on the day-of-admission price of £8
- Groups of 3 or more booking in advance will be charged the group rate of £3 each
- Under 16s FREE
- Your ticket is valid on any and all three days

For more information or to book your ticket online visit creonline.co.uk/tickets



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