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## Leading Contemporary Worship Our New Worship Leaders Course

The trust has a passion for seeing worship being led well in our traditional churches and believes that **Worship Leaders** can help bring this about. The current Methodist course seems very dated and so **Ann and Mike** have put together a course and have tested it themselves. It is being trialled in a number of churches.

The course is primarily designed to prepare worship leaders for the task of planning and then leading worship, but it can also be used as part of a programme of continued development for Worship Leaders and Preachers.

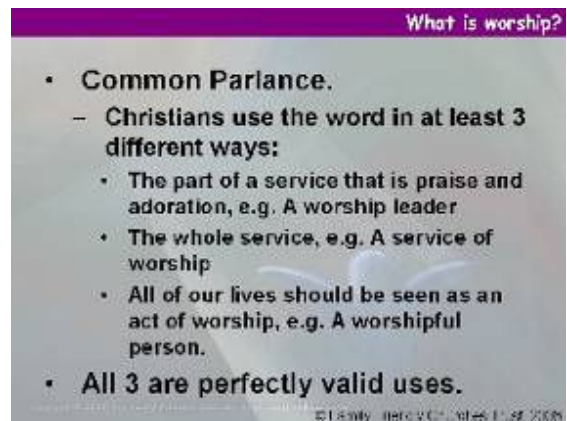
The course is designed around the premise that worship leading and preaching are two distinct callings and giftings and that preachers should preach and worship leaders should lead worship. It encourages worship leaders to take great authority and responsibility for worship.

The course comes in the form of a Leader's Handbook and a CDrom of Resources.

The Course has 8 teaching sessions and 7 reflection sessions. The teaching sessions are as follows:

1. What is worship? What is a Worship Leader? Different models of Services.
2. The structure of an act of worship. Liaising with Preachers and others.
3. Using music in worship. Constructing "a time of worship".
4. Prayer and leading people into worship.
5. The Spiritual gifts, prayer ministry and healing
6. Using the senses in worship. Sight, smell, touch, hearing and taste.
7. Making good use of technology. Projection, microphones and MIDI.
8. Leading worship when children are present.

The course is designed to run with the main sessions taking place monthly giving plenty of time for observation, practice and reflection. There are also monthly assignments as part of the course.



The Leader's Handbook, which can be purchased separately, can be used as a guide for the leader of the course. The CDrom contains handout notes that can be printed out and given to the participants as their course material.

However the guide could be purchased for each participant so that they may read ahead and prepare for the sessions.

Finally it can also be used for personal study. We believe that existing worship leaders and preachers will benefit from working through the book in their own time.

The CDrom contains PowerPoint slides for each session of the course. In addition there are OHP slides that can be printed and used.

There are also handouts for each session, certificates for the participants and resources for the course leader.

The handbook and CDrom will be available from early June for £29.99 + Postage. However if you pre-order now we will send it in June post free. The Leader's Handbook is available for £8.99 + £2 postage and packing. See more at <http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/WL.htm>

## Projection Courses

The trust is running some more of our popular Projection Courses around the country over the next couple of months.

There will be Advanced Multimedia Courses at **Birstall Methodist Church**, nr Leicester on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, **Oakwood Methodist Church**, nr Cockfosters on May 30<sup>th</sup> and **The Salvation Army, Hoyland Common**, nr Barnsley on June 20<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to come book at:

<http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/mpdspec.htm>

There will also be a PowerPoint Operators Course at **Disley Methodist Church**, nr Stockport on June 27<sup>th</sup>. This course is designed for those who operate for others. If you are interested you can book at:

<http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/Operspec.htm>

These courses are open to anyone who wishes to come and the day costs just £30.

## Postage rates

**The trust has not increased the charges for postage for 5 years. Sadly, with increases in postal charges from the Post Office, this cannot remain the case**

From the 11<sup>th</sup> of May the prices will be increased as follows: The trust's own CDroms £1.50, other CDroms and DVDs £2.00 and books between £2 and £3 depending on the size and weight.

## Mike's Diary

Below is a list of Mike's commitments for the next couple of months. Please do pray for him. You can see all Mike's bookings on the web site at <http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/bookings.htm>

### May

9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Family Friendly Weekend, St Mark's Methodist Church, Maidenhead

12<sup>th</sup> Annual Trustees Meeting at Market Deeping

16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Family Friendly Weekend, Winchester Circuit

23<sup>rd</sup> Advanced Multimedia Projection Day at Birstall, Leicester.

You can book a place at <http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/mpdspec.htm>

30<sup>th</sup> Advanced Multimedia Projection Day at Oakwood, nr Cockfosters

You can book a place at <http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/mpdspec.htm>

### June

1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Multimedia Residential Course at Willersley Castle

You can book a place at <http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/resident.htm>

6<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> Church in Britain Weekend at Spalding Methodist Church

13<sup>th</sup> Local Preachers Day at Harpenden

20<sup>th</sup> Advanced Multimedia Projection Day at Hoylake,

You can book a place at <http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/mpdspec.htm>

27<sup>th</sup> Multimedia Course at Disley, nr Stockport – actual course to be decided

## May's Offer

This month we are offering AMP's Just Worship – Celtic Praise DVD for just £15.



This DVD contains a number of Celtic prayer video resources filmed on and around Lindisfarne as 10 in depth video sequences combining visual material, discussion and prayer

In addition there is the music of the Northumbrian Community and David Fitzgerald combined with stunningly beautiful video photography.

These would normally cost £20.99 including postage, but during May it will be available for just £15 including postage.

<http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/offer.htm>



One of May's background images from [All Included](#).

You can download this picture and use it as wallpaper for your PC from [www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/Photos/calendar.htm](http://www.familyfriendlychurches.org.uk/Photos/calendar.htm)

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