# HANDS ...

A New Approach to Gospel Centred Ministry Training



- One or two year option
- Flexible entry with monthly intake
- · Midlands based learning centre
- Immediate practical application in your ministry setting

#### Modules Include:

- · Bible Handling
- Leadership
- Media & the Gospel
- · Mission on the Frontline



"Hands On has been both helpful and challenging in equal measure in that it has widened my horizons when it comes to Biblical study and interpretation." - Gordon



Hands On' is a practical ministry training course provided by WLA in Coventry. The Hands-On approach to learning is based around nine intensive study days throughout the year, pooling the best parts from the other courses which WLA currently offers.

New for 2019/20 Hands On has now been approved as an official 'Approved Prior Learning' course which upon completion allows the student to move directly onto year two of the BA Theology programme with For Mission College. Please do speak to a member of the team for more details.

Hands On offers accessibility for anyone who is looking to enhance their knowledge or for those who are exploring a calling perhaps towards ministry or more formal training options. The one Saturday a month schedule, over nine months from October to June circles around a two-year program.

The cost of the course is £550 per year or £800 for the APL. This covers all learning at the Coventry centre and course materials. Relevant text books will be recommended and while these will enhance learning are not essential.

The vision of WLA is to partner with churches and in many cases course fees have been met either fully or partially by the student's home church.













### HANDS ON INTENSIVE PROGRAMME 2019/20

Date	Intensive
19 <sup>th</sup> October	Biblical Theology – Joshua Kindness
16 <sup>th</sup> November	Survey of Romans – Keith Foster
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Exegesis – Joshua Kindness
18 <sup>th</sup> January	Biblical Literary Cultural Analysis – Keith Foster
15 <sup>th</sup> February	Old Testament Survey – Dave Gidney
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Apologetics & Other Faiths – Joshua Kindness
25 <sup>th</sup> April	The Gospels – Andy Hardy
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Reading Your Community – Keith Foster
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Doctrine 1 – Jim Murkett

## **Intensive Topics Summary**

#### **Biblical Theology**

This module considers the big themes of scripture through a biblical theological approach. Student's will trace such themes as creation, redemption, exile, exodus et al through the Bible and will also reflect on the relevance of such themes for their ministry and people groups they serve.

#### **Survey of Romans**

Survey of Romans will delve into this popular New Testament book and seek to challenge some of the long held traditional view of Pauls writing.

## **Biblical Exegesis**

If you are a full time Christian worker, preacher, volunteer or just a Christian who wants to expand their knowledge, correct exegesis of Scripture is massively important. This module will demonstrate what can happen with bad exegesis and the golden rules for correct exegetical study.













#### **Biblical Literary Cultural Analysis**

This module will equip the student to consider the scriptures through a cultural lens and framework. Understanding the text within its original context and culture will enable the student to assess its original emphasis and subsequent missional application within their own cultural context.

#### **Old Testament Survey**

This module seeks to introduce the student to a broad overview of the Old Testament. Using a whistle-stop tour of all 39 books it will bring out the highlights and look to establish a love for this underappreciated half of the Bible.

#### **Apologetics & Other Faiths**

Where does apologetics fit in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Christianity? Is it still needed? With an ever increasing search for spirituality it is important for Christians to be equipped not only to defend their faith but to promote it effectively as well.

#### The Gospels

This module seeks to go much deeper than simply a synoptic exercise but will look at the authors, a much deeper theological analysis and give an overview of all four books.

#### **Reading Your Community**

This module will challenge the student to consider how gaining a sociological, cultural and practical understanding of their local community might inform a contextual theology and approach to subsequent evangelism and ministry.

#### **Doctrine**

Why is doctrine still relevant in a post-modern era? What doctrinal beliefs are under attack some more subtly than others? This module will look at two very relevant aspects of doctrine and unpack what they are all about and why doctrine is actually more relevant than ever.













#### **Further Information**

The learning modules have been carefully designed to stretch the students both academically and spiritually. Course notes, book lists and when appropriate recordings of sessions will be made available to download from the WLA website. At the end of each session the lecturer will set an essay question based on the learning delivered, these essays are due by the next intensive. To graduate from the course and to be considered for approved prior learning, all essays must be completed and passed.

All intensives are held at Bethel Church start at 9.15am and finish at 3.00pm

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