



Wesleyan Mission: Oxygen Movement

Workshop at Wesleyan Connection (Europe) Conference

Presenter: Revd Cassius Francis (& Revd Dr Trevor Hutton)

Date and time: Friday 26th April 2024, 10:00-11:15

Location: New Life Wesleyan Church, Handsworth



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To find out more about the church planting initiative of WHC see www.oxygennetwork.co.uk



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Mission Statement, Vision, Core Values

Oxygen Network (ON) exists to breathe new life and hope into communities.

Oxygen Network is a multiplication movement of the Wesleyan Holiness Church British Isles District dedicated to working in partnership with Jesus-centred organisations to breathe life and bring hope for urban/inner-city communities.



Mission Statement, **Vision**, Core Values

To plant three churches from the year 2020.

Oxygen Network will be regarded as the one of the leading church planting networks focused on developing people for inner-city/urban leadership from diverse backgrounds, ages, ethnicities, cultures and communities - ensuring they are involved in reaching communities across generations for Christ. (Isaiah 61)

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7 Core Values "7 Cs"

1. Christ-centred (Acts 2:42-47)
2. Creative and Innovative
3. Cultural Diversity
4. Communication is simple
5. Children and Youth-focused
6. Community Transformation
7. Continual Growth



Format for this session

- **Introductions**
- **Using Trevor's paper – A Wesleyan Approach to Church Planting**
 1. The DNA of Integrity and Transparency
 2. The DNA of Universal Value
 3. The DNA of Social Transformation and Action
 4. The DNA of a place for the Marginalised and Social Justice
 5. The DNA of Optimism
- **Q & A**

1) The DNA of Integrity and Transparency

‘A Wesleyan church will have an inbred desire to embody integrity and transparency as a major ethos. Call this “holiness unto the Lord” or “entire sanctification” ...



2) The DNA of Universal Value

‘A Wesleyan church will also have a deep conviction to share the good news of Jesus with all people regardless of age, creed, gender, race, social status, self-identity etc. because it fundamentally embraces the universality of the Gospel and Jesus as the universal Saviour....’

Wesleyan Holiness Church: A 5-Minute History (2015)



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mn8jO6bqujA>

3) The DNA of Social Transformation and Action

‘A Wesleyan church will have an inbred desire to exist to bring social transformation to the context and community it finds itself in. The new church from its conception will be outward-looking, and involved in incarnational ministry in seeking to transform the community it ministers to. John Wesley said, "The gospel of Christ knows no religion but social; no holiness but social holiness.”



4) The DNA of a place for the Marginalized and Social Justice

‘In my own [Trevor’s] denomination, The Church of the Nazarene, Phineas Brezze (founder) was persuaded to choose the name “Nazarene” to emphasis the church's solidarity with the urban poor...’

Forge England & Wales - Stories



<https://www.forgeenglandwales.com/missional-training-stories>

5) The DNA of Optimism

‘As hinted above, a Wesleyan church will always remember that Jesus always goes ahead in working to prepare the ground for the reception of the Gospel. Again, call this “Preventing grace” or “Free Grace” or “Prevenient Grace” if you like, but new healthy Wesleyan churches will enter a community and context with the assurance that the grace of Jesus is already at work in that community.....’



New Way

LAUNCH EVENT
 Sunday
 28th April
 2024

2 PM - 5 PM
 Venue
 Holy Name
 Parish Centre
 30 Birmingham Rd,
 Great Barr,
 Birmingham,
 B43 6NR

Bus Info: 8, 51 & X51 to Scott Arms

For more information
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 Richard or Jedine on:
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Face painting
 Community
 Prayer
 Family
 Support
 Free Food

Free information and
 advice from support services in health,
 welfare & education will be available.

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