

SESSION ONE

THE LEADERSHIP BATON

Jack McMahan (Raumati Crescent Chapel)

New leaders will not normally appear full-bloomed in your congregation, neither are they frequently acquired as free agents from other churches. One of the major roles of existing leaders is to identify, equip, and utilize those whom God brings into your local congregation. This session is designed to stimulate your thinking on ways to nurture and develop leadership within your assembly.

THE UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM

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In Mark 10:35-45, Jesus challenges the conventional power structures by emphasising the virtues of humility and servant leadership. The implications of this Upside-Down Kingdom are particularly profound in the context of cross-cultural mission where instead of approaching missions with a top-down mindset, the Upside-Down Kingdom calls for a humility that seeks to understand, serve, and learn from diverse communities. It challenges us to embody the selfless love and sacrificial service exemplified by Jesus, fostering a collaborative approach that recognises the dignity and worth of every individual across cultural boundaries.

PROPERTY, STEWARDSHIP, AND THE GOSPEL

Jeff Orr (SEO, Stewards' Trust)

A forum to engage around the practical challenges and opportunities of our physical buildings and sites. Hear more about Stewards' Trust and how we might partner together for the growth of the Gospel in modern-day NZ.

SESSION TWO

LEADING THROUGH CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

Jan De Lange (National Advisor) and Scotty Delemare (Clark Road Chapel)

A workshop for Chairperson of Elders, church treasurers, secretaries, and administrators. We'll explore the three facets of any administrative responsibility, the people aspect, the compliance (Legal, HR, H&S) aspect and the biblical and theological aspect. We'll unpack some administrative scenarios and explore together how we'd address them.

WHAT DOES GOD WANT TO DO WITH OUR YOUTH?

Craig Barrow (Youth and Young Adult Enabler)

Whether a church has a thriving youth community or is wondering where to begin, this workshop will cover some of the main methods God is using to nurture and develop youth and youth communities around Aotearoa. We will also discuss what a youth group is, whether youth need to attend church, and whether youth need more fun or more discipleship.