



**GATHER
MOVEMENT**

**SUMMIT
2024**

**I SEE
A NEW
CITY**

PROGRAMME

DATES: 17-18 JUNE 2024

DURATION: A 2-DAY EVENT

LOCATION: REACH, RIVERSIDE COURT PRIDE PARK, DERBY, DE24 8HY

DAY ONE



TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
10:00 - 12:30	Mainstage Session 1 - MASTERCLASS	Dr Sarah Williams, a church historian, will assist us in examining previous city transforming movements to learn from their examples and practices. How can we deepen our spiritual lives within the context and values of today's culture? Drawing from historical examples, Sarah will look at the spiritual practices that sustain long-term transformation in a place.
13:30 - 15:15	Mainstage Session 2 - THINK BIG	In this session we will be thinking about the bigger picture, with the help of an introduction from Roger Sutton, a video message from Andy Burnham, Mayor of Greater Manchester, and some great unity leader panels. We'll also hear about the big theology of city transformation with Paul Williams and Gerard Kelly, and Kim Tan will be sharing about how social entrepreneurialism shapes city transformation.
15:30 - 17:45	Tracks Session 1 & 2	(See reverse)
19:30 - 21:30	Mainstage Session 3 - THINK LONG	Our evening session will be focussing on thinking about the long-term. We have worship from Victory Outreach band and Watoto Children's choir and a creative bible study, led by Martin Young. We'll be hearing about Church and City Transformation with CAP and Tearfund and Letitia Shelton will be talking about the long-term impact of disruptive women!

DAY TWO

TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
9:00 - 10:40	Mainstage Session 4 - THINK LOCAL	Our first session on day 2 will be looking at how thinking big starts by thinking local. We'll be hearing from Hope for Justice about how to spot the signs of human trafficking in your city, Gerard Kelly on "think local", Lord Farmer about the importance of family hubs interspersed with great interviews from unity practitioners. We'll also be hearing what's been happening in Teesside with the Palaus and from our Summit partners Trussell Trust and Green Pastures.
11:00 - 13:15	Seminars	(See reverse)
14:15 - 15:15	Tracks Session 3	(See reverse)
15:30 - 17:00	Mainstage Session 5 - THINK NEXT	Our important final session, will be help us drill down on the next steps with the conclusion of our creative Bible study, feedback from the tracks and final reflections from practitioners and theologians, before our commissioning service and opportunity for personal prayer.

WORSHIP LED BY
Victory Outreach band

OUR HOSTS
Caroline Millar, Matt France & Joy Blundell



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TRACKS

TIME	DESCRIPTION
1. I see a new unified city	How do you get unity off to a good start in your place? How do we overcome the common obstacles, keeping prayer and relationship at the centre? How do we build better civic connections, understand our places and ultimately help to lead a city into its future? We'll be working on the start of a 5 year plan for you to take back and develop with your team. This seminar is suitable for those just beginning and also more mature unity movements.
2. I see a new poverty-free city	In this interactive Poverty Track we will be discerning and listening to each other's stories and to God, with the help of some theological framing. We will pause to reflect and wait on the Lord to better understand the pain of our cities, and finally look to crystalise what we have learnt. We'll also be learning about effective models and tools to help us have greater long-term impact.
3. I see a new city for our children and young people	We'll be seeking to understand how our children and young people become safer, more secure in families, and reach their potential. You'll learn from some proven models and some local practitioners. You'll also be given the tools to create a long-term plan for families and children in your place.
4. I see a new city full of social impact entrepreneurialism	I see a city full of creative entrepreneurs moving the dial on the stubborn social issues of today. Moving away from being dependent on the annual funding cycle towards a more sustainable and creative model. You'll hear from the UK's leading social entrepreneurs and stories of successful projects and come away with a greater understanding of the opportunities, challenges and how to get started.



SEMINARS - SESSION ONE

TITLE	OVERVIEW
Effective engagement with national, regional and local politicians	With the national election looming, what does it mean for the church to engage effectively with politics? Hosted by Steve Botham with a host of guests, this is an opportunity to look at how we work with politicians, locally and nationally, beyond the election to see our places transformed.
Women who shape cities	Letitia has an international ministry challenging the evils of sexual abuse, violence and misogyny. She's worked extensively across the South Seas, Australia and Asia, setting up disruptive women groups. You'll learn how to set up a disruptive women group in your city.
A city where everyone knows the name of Jesus - Part 1 (2-part seminar)	City transformation crucially involves spiritual change. This seminar will cover some exciting developments in approaches to evangelism and discipleship and will help you develop a long-term plan for your city.
Collaborating with the NHS on Mental Health	Increasingly, new opportunities are arising for unity movements to partner with the NHS. In this seminar we'll be sharing some exciting models of this happening, such as social prescribing, Night Light cafes and wellbeing centres.
CCT: Awakening the church to God's holistic mission	Interested to learn how you can increase your church's impact and see holistic and sustainable transformation in your community? Then come and explore with CAP the holistic nature of God's mission and experience tools that can be used to awaken and galvanise your church around this. CAP will explain the Church and Community Transformation process ("CCT") and how it can support your church to be a catalyst for change.
Homelessness and Housing	There are a number of effective models being developed across the country to address the homelessness and housing crisis. This seminar will focus on the Green Pastures model which is looking to build partnerships with churches across the country.

SEMINARS - SESSION TWO

TITLE	OVERVIEW
Women who shape cities (repeat)	See above
A city where everyone knows the name of Jesus (Part 2)	See above
Prayer	This interactive seminar will look at how to develop a long-term prayer strategy for your city.
Theology of the city	In this seminar Prof Paul Williams will look at the biblical and theological basis behind city transformation.
Beyond the foodbank resource	Trussell Trust is the largest supporter of food banks across the country, but how do we move beyond food banks to a more dignified, sustainable and creative solution?
Intercultural	This seminar will cover the importance of celebrating cultural diversity as God's gift, explore the challenges, equip you with the tools for intercultural city transformation and finally inspire you to take action leading to an impactful journey in your city over the next five years.

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