

re-imagine 2008 calendar

Feb Fri 15 & Sat 16 – City 1.00pm – 9.00pm

Feb Sat 16 – Country 9.30am – 4.30pm

Intensive 1 / Learning Day 1 : Developing a Missionary Imagination of the Local Church

March Sat 29th – City 9.30am-12.30pm

March Sat 29th – Country 9.30am-12.30pm

Processing Day 1

April 11-13 – (Melbourne)

Forge National Festival <http://festival08.forge.org.au/> (not compulsory)

May Sat 3rd – City 9.30am-12.30pm

May Sun 4th – Country 1.30am-5.00pm

Unleashing the APES

June Sat 14th – City 9.30am-4.00pm

June Sun 15th – Country 1.30pm-8.30pm

Learning Day 3 : How Structure Impacts Mission – Developing Structures that Empower and Facilitate Missional Engagement

July Fri 18th & Sat 19th – City 1.00pm-9.00pm

Sat July 19th – Country 9.30am-4.30pm

Intensive II / Learning Day 4 : Missional Spirituality and Making Disciples in a Consumer World

Aug Sat 16th – City 9.30am-12.30pm

Aug Sat 16th – Country 9.30am-12.30pm

Processing Day 2

Oct Sat 17th & 18th – City – 1.00pm-9.00pm

Oct 18th – Country 9.30am-4.30pm

Intensive III / Learning Day 5 : Transformational Leadership – The place of Leadership in Cultivating a Missionary Culture

Nov Sat 15th – City 9.30am-12.30pm

Nov Sat 15th – Country 9.30am-12.30pm

Processing for the Future

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The following dates are the learning & processing days for 2008. Attendance at these is essential to grasp the core content of re-imagine

1. Intensive I / Learning Day : Developing a Missionary Imagination of the Local Church

Feb Fri 15 & Sat 16 – City 1.00pm – 9.00pm
Feb Sat 16 – Country 9.30am – 4.30pm

This day will provide an overview of the 5 elements of mDNA (missional DNA) and will explore what it means for a church to re-organise along missional incarnational lines.

It will use broad brush strokes to paint a picture of what church looks like in the missionary mode and will suggest some first steps for churches seeking that transition.

This first learning day co-incides with the regular first intensive. *While attendance at the Friday event is expected for re-imagine participants, city based people are invited and encouraged to attend both Friday and Saturday.* The Saturday event will speak to both pioneers and 're-imagineers' regarding paradigm shifts for mission in the west.

Presenters: Phil McCredden, Steve Said & Andrew Hamilton

Phil is the team leader at Northern Community Church of Christ in Melbourne, a healthy multi-congregational church that has moved through a significant and effective transition process

Andrew is the Forge WA and Forge National Director. He has been a pastoral team leader and is currently leading a smaller missional incarnational project in Perth's northern suburbs.

Steve Said is the National TEAR youth co-ordinator, and on the Forge National Team. He will speak on the Saturday only.

2. Implementation

At the end of each learning day you will be helped to think through what actions you will take between then and the processing day.

These are specific action steps, suited to your context that will reflect the learning and help begin the process of transition.

3. Processing Day

March Sat 29th – City 9.30am-12.30pm (Facilitator – Stuart Wesley)
March Sat 29th – Country 9.30am-12.30pm (Facilitator – Andrew Hamilton)

At Forge we have a strong emphasis on ‘action/reflection’ learning and believe that the best learning is actually done as we reflect practically and theologically on what we have experienced in the missional context.

The processing days will be focused facilitated opportunities to reflect on what has been happening in your own context since the previous learning day.

These will take a more conversational tone and will be opportunities to share learning with those from other church communities also on the journey, as well as to dig deeper with your own team.

4. Forge National Festival

April Fri 11th – Sun 13th – Melbourne <http://festival08.forge.org.au/>

Attendance at the festival is not *required* for participants in **re-imagine**, however we would encourage you to strongly consider attending as the content will be excellent and you will also get to network with other leaders from around Australia who are on the same journey.

5. Learning Day : Unleashing the APEs

May Sat 3rd^h – City 9.30am-12.30pm

May Sun 4th – Country 1.30am-5.00pm

This learning day will focus specifically on helping churches identify and release apostolic, prophetic and evangelistic leaders into more effective missional activity. It will look at how a church can develop a healthy framework for fivefold ministry and leadership

In the Christendom mode church was led predominantly by the ‘pastor/teacher’ and while they are an essential part of the body, the focus of this day will be on helping you re-ignite the spirit of the apostle, prophet and evangelist so that the church is fully formed.

Presenters: Stuart Wesley & Geoff Westlake

Stuart is the team leader at Network Vineyard Church and has done a significant amount of work on equipping his community to both understand and operate in the APEPT framework.

Geoff is the National Director of OAC Ministries and the team leader of Cheers – a community development project in Banksia Grove. Geoff is a key part of the Forge team and has many years experience in innovative missionary endeavours.

6. Implementation

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7. Learning & Processing Day : How Structure Impacts Mission – Developing Structures that Empower and Facilitate Missional Engagement

June Sat 7th – City 9.30am-4.00pm or weekend after
June Sun 8th – Country 1.30pm-8.30pm

There is no question that ‘how’ we do church impacts significantly on how our mission takes shape. This day will look at how we can optimise our church systems to reflect organic principles and to allow for maximum missional engagement and will offer specific ideas for how you can modify your current structure to allow for experimentation and innovation.

This day will involve both presentation and facilitation in church groups.

Presenter/facilitator : Duncan Brown

Duncan is the Director of Capacity Builders, a Qld based organisation that works at helping churches and organisations manage their structure to optimise their effectiveness. He is well versed in the concepts of mDNA and has been helping churches organise around these principles for some time now.

8. Implementation

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In this period we will encourage you to experiment with different elements of your church structure and to observe what is learnt as you make adjustments and help people have different experiences.

9. Intensive II / Learning Day : Missional Spirituality and Making Disciples in a Consumer World

July Fri 18th & Sat 19th – City 1.00pm-9.00pm
Sat July 19th – Country 9.30am-4.30pm

This learning day explores the kind of spirituality needed to go the distance in missionary endeavours. It focuses on the calling to live counter-culturally in a consumeristic self focused world.

Presenters: Andrew Menzies & Brad Flynn, Steve & Felicity Turner

Andrew Menzies was the Youth Pastor at Crossway Baptist for many years overseeing a large group of young people, but in recent years has embarked on a very different and challenging journey of transition and re-focussing at Camberwell Baptist in inner Melbourne. Andrew will share his learning after 5 years of experimenting and seeking to develop an established Baptist church into a missional community.

Brad Flynn is a pastor at Freo church and a graduate of the Forge internship process. Brad is actively on the journey of transforming an existing church and has a passion for seeing people become authentic followers of Jesus.

Steve & Felicity Turner are the Qld Forge Directors and leaders of Joshua Tree, an incarnational mission project on the Sunshine Coast. They will speak on the Saturday only.

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10. Implementation

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11. Processing Day

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12. Intensive III / Learning Day : Transformational Leadership – The place of Leadership in Cultivating a Missionary Culture

Oct Sat 17th & 18th – City – 1.00pm-9.00pm
Oct 18th – Country 9.30am-4.30pm

Presenters: Anthea Smits & Andrew Hamilton

We believe that aside from the work of God, the critical element in helping a church align on a missional incarnational trajectory is healthy competent leadership.

This day will explore what shape that leadership should take. If its not a ‘command and control’ approach then what should we be considering?

Anthea Smits is the pastoral team leader of Urban Life Church in Melbourne, a community that has undergone enormous shifts in ethos and culture. Anthea has been the key leader through that process and will share insights and principles from the journey

Andrew Hamilton is the Forge WA and Forge National Director. He has been a pastoral team leader and is currently leading a smaller missional incarnational project in Perth’s northern suburbs.

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13. Implementation

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14. Processing for the Future

Nov Sat 15th – City 9.30am-12.30pm (Facilitator – Stuart Wesley)
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This day will consist of processing the overall thrust of the year, assessing the progress made and making plans for the future.

Specific church based facilitations/consultations 2-3 per year

We suggest that there are at least 2 church specific consults per year where issues relevant to your own context are discussed in greater detail.