

How does the BCM Programme Work?

- There is a **Launch Session** at Wolvesey, Winchester SO23 9ND, Introducing Mission Spirituality.
- There are then **6 specialist topic sessions** (1.45 hours each) when we meet online together for discussion and tutor input.
- Finally there is a **Closing Session** at Wolvesey to enable you to consider how God has been shaping you for his service.

BCM highly values relational learning so we ask you to commit to attending all the sessions and to engage with the online material offered.

For each of the sessions there is some pre-work material to do online at your own pace and in your own time. We expect this to take up to an hour. This is a key aspect of BCM and we expect everyone to do this. Pre-work materials may consist of something to read, a film to watch, commenting in a forum or engaging in practical actions to explore offline.

Once you have completed the programme you will need to complete a role description, safeguarding training and a DBS check in order to receive your commission. More information will be provided during the training.

For more information and booking forms please contact our BCM Administrator wendy.atkinson@winchester.anglican.org

<https://www.winchester.anglican.org/bcm/>



Bishop's Commission for Mission (BCM)

Summer 2023: 3 Programme Streams Available

Are you a lay person who would like some encouragement to develop or grow your existing ministry? Are you more interested in learning from passionate current practitioners in ministry than in getting a formal qualification? Do you want help to see your ministry through a missional lens? Then the **Bishop's Commission for Mission** could be for you.

BCM is a lay training programme focused on enabling church members to live missionally in every part of their lives, equipping them to live out their vocation to the full. Through participating in the programme, we believe God will shape you for your place in his mission.

This summer we plan to offer BCM programmes as a combination of online and in person training. You will need to be recommended by your incumbent and PCC, who should pay your training costs, currently £60 per person. Once you have successfully met the programme requirements, you will be commissioned by the Bishop for a BCM role within your benefice as agreed between you and your incumbent.

BCM Pastoral

Tuesday Evenings
7.00pm to 8.30pm,

- **BCM Pastoral:** This programme aims to equip you to be pastoral in different contexts in the church and in the community. It is about developing your skills and exploring your vocation to this ministry. **Please note** – session 1 on listening skills is held in person at Wolvesey.

BCM Growing Faith & BCM Children & Youth

Wednesday Evenings 7.00pm to 8.30pm

- **BCM Growing Faith:** This is for those who have a passion to help *others* grow in their faith. We will explore what being a disciple means and how disciples grow into maturity. We will offer tools to use in a variety of contexts and give a vision for how the local church might help grow new disciples.
- **BCM Children & Youth Ministry:** This is primarily for those who are leading any form of youth or children's ministry in the church. The training will explore faith development in children and provide you with a range of creative ideas for building a strong ministry team

Session Times and Dates

Here are the dates for the different sessions. Launch and Closing sessions are held in person with all programme streams together. Topic sessions are generally held online unless otherwise marked..

Date	Pastoral
29 Apr	Launch Session: Mission Spirituality (Sat 10.00am to 3.00pm) Wolvesey, Winchester.
2 May	1. Listening Skills – In person at Wolvesey
16 May	2. Family Matters
23 May	3. Growing Older
13` Jun	4. Managing a Visit
27 Jun	5. Death, Dying & Bereavement
11 Jul	6. Courageous Conversations
15 Jul	Closing Session: How has God been shaping me for service? Sat 9.30am -12.30pm Wolvesey

Date	Growing Faith	Children & Youth
29 Apr	Launch Session: Mission Spirituality Sat 10.00am to 3.00pm Wolvesey, Winchester.	
3 May	1. What is Growing Faith	1. What is youth & family ministry
17 May	2. What do we need to grow in faith?	2. Culture of Young People
24 May	3. What does mature look like?	3. Faith Development in Children
14 June	4. Nurturing people 1:1	4. Building Effective Teams
28 Jun	5. Growing faith in small groups.	5. Vision and Strategy
12 Jul	6. A church strategy for Growing Faith	6. Additional Needs
15 July	Closing Session: How has God been shaping me for service? Sat 9.30am -12.20pm Venue Wolvesey	