

## Being the Best Scotland 2010

A continuous professional development programme for those representing mission in churches in Scotland

Helping those representing mission

*Being the Best* is a Continuous Professional Development (CPD) programme that has been run successfully in England throughout 2008 and 2009 and will be run in Scotland in 2010 over one year. The course is for all those who represent mission in the churches of Scotland, and is being co-ordinated by Mission Representatives Fellowship Scotland who meet throughout the year to provide sharing, encouragement, prayer support and undertake joint activities together. Visit our website [www.mrf.org.uk](http://www.mrf.org.uk) or contact us using the link at the bottom of this page for further information.

Those who are booked on *Being the Best* can expect:

- A first-rate CPD programme
- Training notes for each session
- A résumé bringing together the accumulated wisdom from each set of sessions
- Email support helpline

Those who complete the course can expect:

- A certificate upon completing the course
- Access to an online chat room
- Specialist seminars

The desperate need!

The stereotype of the missionary in the pith helmet, civilising the heathen of Africa, may have long since disappeared from the average, evangelical church in the UK. There is no doubt that audio and DVD presentation by mission agencies have improved tremendously in recent years and many are now of a high standard.

However, the individuals sent round to do 'deputation' have too often been a disaster. The experience of trying to avoid or having to survive a sad, outdated, unimaginative mission presentation is still dreaded by many Christians. 'Boring' is the word that immediately springs to mind for so many. Maybe you know of church leaders who are angry about the standard of presentations to which their congregations have been subjected. We need presenters who are trained to communicate their passion for mission in a dynamic way to a twenty first century audience.

A considerable improvement is needed in two areas:

- Firstly, we need to improve the quality of mission presentations
- Secondly, and probably more importantly, we need to restore confidence by Christians and church leaders in mission presentations

If we don't redeem the reputation of mission presentations, church members will never hear of all that God is doing in his world and the many opportunities for them to be involved.

Providing confidence for churches

We want the *Being the Best* programme to be recognised by and to serve UK churches. Hopefully, there will be a growing confidence in churches to invite those who have participated in the course.

The details

In Scotland *Being the Best 2010* will consist of three training sessions in one centre over a period of one year. Individuals may book but we expect many agency representatives to be required by their agency to attend the course. For those who are booked we require the name and contact details of their line manager or responsible senior person, so that comments and suggestions can be passed back.

Trainer

The experienced trainer for the CPD programme is Brian Boley. Brian has been involved in training in church, mission and other Christian contexts. More information about Brian and his training experience is available on [www.christiantraining.org.uk](http://www.christiantraining.org.uk)

Curriculum - a more detailed curriculum is available to download using the link at the bottom of the page

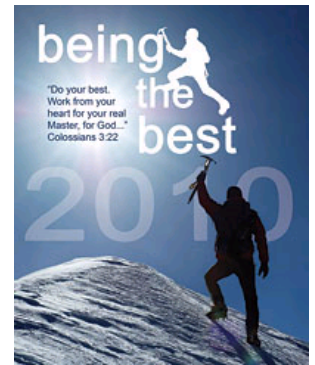
- Vision for the Ministry and Building Relationships (February)
- Presentation Skills 1 and 2 (June)
- Organising my Ministry and Motivating and Managing Volunteers (October)

Session Programme

09.00 Arrive and coffee\*

09.15 Session 1

12.15 Lunch



13.00 Session 2

16.00 Finish

*\*Those attending are required to bring their own food for lunch - drinks will be provided*

Dates for 2010

9 February - Sessions 1 & 2

22 June - Sessions 3 & 4

26 October - Sessions 5 & 6

Venue

The Bible Centre The Bible Centre, Newmains Farm, Barnsford Road, Inchinnan, Renfrewshire, Scotland PA4 9LZ

The Centre is just off the M8 motorway, adjacent to Glasgow International Airport.

At less than £75 a session for the course, it is extremely competitive, being at least a quarter of what an equivalent secular training course would cost in the market-place.

These rates are available to member agencies of Global Connections only. If your agency is not a member contact the Global Connections office for details.

Download the brochure with booking form using the link below or, for further details, [email Bryan Knell](#).

Relevant Links:

Downloads

- [Being the Best 2010 Scotland Course Info](#) (30kb)
- [Being the Best 2010 Scotland Curriculum](#) (37kb)
- [Being the Best 2010 Scotland Application Form](#) (33kb)

For more information, please contact [Mission Representatives Fellowship Scotland](#).