



Joining with God's Mission

What does it mean to join in with the Mission of God in the 21st century?

We are piloting this new course in 2021-2022. It will be facilitated by members of the MCI Teams.

The course will be delivered through online presentations and activities, a monthly learning group, set reading and independent study, alongside two Saturday day conferences.

The aims of the Course are to:

- Enable participants to develop a comprehensive overview of patterns and practices of Christian mission – in Scripture, history, and the contemporary church.
- Enthuse and stretch participants to think imaginatively about mission in Ireland and throughout the world.
- Equip participants with the understanding, tools and helpful skills necessary for engagement with, and leadership of, the church's participation in the mission of God.
- Help participants to identify opportunities to engage in practical missional learning in their local context.





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Course Outline

As a course participant you will be expected to:

- watch the online presentations;
- engage with any assigned activities
- undertake any reading that is set;
- participate in the monthly Learning Groups and the two Saturday Day Conferences

Participants will also be asked to undertake a reflective mission activity in their local church / placement setting.

Monthly Learning Groups - first Wednesday at 7.30pm

October 6th: Where do we start?

November 3rd: Models of Mission and Missional Discipleship

December 1st: Biblical Foundations

February 2nd: Mission or Empire?

March 2nd: Mission in and from the cultural context of the Western World

April 6th: The Church's Quest for Justice

Saturday Day Conferences (venues to be confirmed)

February 19th: Mission and Evangelism Today

TBC: Creating New Christian Communities





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Learning Outcomes / Key Skills

On completion of this course successful students will be able to:

- Demonstrate an awareness of the biblical resources and relevant theological themes for each topic.
- Engage in critical reflection on how each topic relates both to historical precedent, contemporary examples and their own practice.
- Demonstrate a knowledge and critical understanding of missional principles, with regard to sociological and strategic influences.
- Demonstrate an awareness of both global Christianity and local church practice in Ireland; and engage in critical reflection on how they affect each other.

Course Access

The Course will be hosted on the TheologyX online learning platform. Access to a computer and a reasonable level of computer literacy is essential for those who intend to take the course. Details for how to access TheologyX will be sent to you after registration.

