



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Diocese of Birmingham

Bishop's Certificate In Children's Ministry 2007 - 2008

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If you have any difficulties with sight, hearing or mobility, please indicate here and we will try to take that into account when planning the groups:.....

I have seen the information describing the Bishop's Certificate in Children's Ministry, and am happy to support this application to join the course in 2007.

PLEASE SEND THE INVOICE IN MARCH 2007 TO: (please tick appropriate box)

The Incumbent

The Parish Treasurer

The Course Participant

Signed: (Parish Priest or Minister* / Churchwarden*)

(*please delete as applicable)

Please return the completed form, BY 1st MARCH 2007 :

Ministries Forum, Diocesan Office, 175 Harborne Park Road, Birmingham B17 0BH

Programme

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| UNIT 1 | 28 APRIL 2007 | 'The Child of Today' Understanding the social, cultural and religious issues affecting children today, their needs and concerns and what it means for us as Christians in identifying new approaches to children's work. |
| UNIT 2 | 23 JUNE 2007 | 'Children Growing with God' The stages of child development and the methods and approaches needed to meet them. Developing the skills and qualities appropriate in order to relate to children at different stages. |
| UNIT 3 | 29 SEPTEMBER 2007 | 'God's Story - Our Story' Our own relationship with God and with children, in particular looking at how we communicate and the use of storytelling. |
| UNIT 4 | 24 NOVEMBER 2007 | 'The Spirit of the Child' Children's spirituality and how we can use prayer, worship, Godly Play and our own stories to introduce children to the wonder and mystery of a relationship with God. |
| UNIT 5 | 23 FEBRUARY 2008 | 'Planning, Behaviour Management & Resources' Planning and evaluating our work, caring for children with special needs, handling difficult behaviour, and using the latest resources effectively. |
| UNIT 6 | 26 APRIL 2008 | 'Safe to Grow' Understanding Child Protection issues and developing an awareness of strategies for good practice in keeping children safe from harm in the church. |
| UNIT 7 | 28 JUNE 2008 | 'Follow the Leader' How to build and keep an enthusiastic children's team and develop positive relationships between children and adults in your church. |

The Bishop's Certificate in Children's Ministry course will be led by Mrs Jo Musson, Bishop's Adviser for Children's Ministry, together with a team of trainers who are experienced in all aspects of children's ministry.