



Dear Church Leader

As part of our programme of activities for the Humber-to-the-Wash Connection of Ground Level we are partnering with the Cinnamon Network and CTAL to deliver 2 Training events. The first will be in March and the second in October and the topics are:-

- Creating Connection Training
- Volunteer Leadership Training

The first event, Creating Connection Training is on Saturday 28th March at New Life Centre, Sleaford, NG34 7JP and will start at 9:30 a.m. (Refreshment on arrival from 9:00 a.m.) and conclude at 12:30 p.m.. The tutor for the day will be Nick Amis, East Midlands and East Anglia Advisor for Cinnamon Network.

The event will be of interest to all leaders who are building links with other churches and/or agencies, (public bodies or voluntary sector bodies) and wish to stronger links and connections with those organisations. This is an increasingly important skill for many of our leaders looking to develop new ministries, community projects or openings for existing provision into new areas. Building effective partnerships for delivering community and Church programmes is essential for developing healthy communities. This workshop is about developing the skills which will open up valuable partnership opportunities.

The topics covered are described in the attached synopsis

If you wish to attend, please confirm this to Rev. Keith Maltby, or the New Life office (office@nlcm.org.uk – phone 01529 413063) by Friday 6th March 2020.

There is no charge for the event from Cinnamon but they ask that we consider a voluntary donation on the day (£20.00 was suggested but cost should not be a limitation).

For your information the date for the second event will be Saturday 10th October 2020 and details will follow later in the year.

CREATING CONNECTION:

WORKSHOP SYNOPSIS

Overview

The Creating Connection Workshop is for church leaders and social activists who wish to be better able to seek God's favour and enter into it, both for themselves and their churches. It teaches the importance of relationships in developing working partnerships between churches and other organisations, as well as how to network effectively.

Duration

Half a day

Topics

- Reasons why to connect
- Level of connectedness
- Identifying unmet needs
- When to get involved
- Building your network
- Sources of information on local issues
- How to connect
- When to disconnect

Learning

At the end of the workshop participants will have identified their current network and constructed an initial plan to develop their network. They will also be better able to discern God's will in working with others and make good short and long term decisions around partnerships.