Venue & Dates

The course will be held at St Margaret's Church, Arundel Road, Angmering, BN16 4JS

Parking is available on site. You can walk from Angmering railway station to St Margaret's in approx 20 mins. It may be possible for us to arrange lifts with course participants.

In Year 1, we will meet from 9.30am to 1pm on the following Saturdays:

2023: 16 Sep, 14 Oct, 11 Nov, 2 Dec 2024: 6 Jan, 3 Feb, 9 Mar, 20 Apr, 11 May, 15 June, 13 July

Students will be notified of the dates for the 2nd year (2024-25) in good time.

If you miss a morning, you will normally be able to catch up by listening on-line to recordings of the lectures.



Fees

The fees are £70 per term (£420 for the whole two-year course, over six terms).

Bursaries are available for those on a lower income if church is unable to contribute to the fees.

How to Apply

Apply online at

sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/apply-smbtc

To find out more about this course and/or other courses run by the SGP, or request a paper application form, please contact:

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Saturday Morning

BIBLE TRAINING COURSE

Angmering, West Sussex

Equipping Christians for Bible-Centred Ministry

From September 2023 the Sussex Gospel Partnership Saturday **Morning Bible Training** Course will be running in Angmering, West Sussex.

This **two-year** course includes the core elements of year one of the SGP's established and successful, mid-week course, the Sussex Ministry Training Course (SMTC). Sessions will be monthly from September to July each year.

Why a Bible **Training Course?**

When the Bible is taught, the Spirit of God uses the Word of God to save the lost and build up the church. That is why training and equipping people to 'rightly handle the word of truth' is essential to the health and growth of today's church. In a great variety of contexts, not only from the pulpit, but in Sunday school, youth group and home group, one-to-one, in homes and in public we need people who can confidently teach the Word of God.

What will be included?

The course will include the following:

Bible Overview

Travelling from Genesis to Revelation, we will get a bird's eye view of the Bible. Not only is it exciting and informative to see how it all fits together from Creation to New Creation, but it provides a vital foundation for a fuller understanding of the individual parts of the Bible.

Christian Doctrine

This is where we will put all the parts together in a different way by seeing what the Bible teaches about a number of basic themes. We will look at a range of topics including the Word of God, the person of Christ, his death and resurrection, and the work of the Holy Spirit.

Principles of Bible Study and Teaching

This will be a very practical part of the course in which we will learn how to understand and teach different parts of the Bible.

Bible Books

We will study at least three books in depth as worked examples of biblical interpretation.

Hands-On Training

In small groups, students will have an opportunity to give a short talk on a set Bible passage and receive encouragement and feedback. The talk can be aimed at adults, young people or children. This experience is usually very helpful for everyone from the complete novice to the seasoned Bible teacher.

Who is the Course for?

We welcome men and women of all ages who love the Lord Jesus, who believe the whole Bible is the trustworthy Word of God and want to be equipped to share its lifegiving message in one context or another. It is ideal for people such as Sunday school teachers, youth group leaders, home group leaders, occasional preachers, as well as those involved in pastoral work and oneto-one ministries. The course is designed to help anyone gain a deeper understanding of the Bible and become more confident in teaching it to others.



Who leads the Course?

The course is led by Nick McQuaker and Jon Hobbs.



Nick McOuaker

Nick is Director of the SGP and for many years was one of the Pastors at Christ Church, Haywards Heath. He has a wealth of experience in training others to teach the Bible both in the UK and oversees.



Ion Hobbs

Jon is the SGP's Associate Trainer. Following eight years of parish church ministry, he now leads Grace Church, Haywards Heath, alongside his role with the SGP, teaching on the training courses and speaking at training events.



"I can't believe how many 'light bulb' moments I have had. If you want to get to know the Bible better and make sense of it as a whole, then this course is for you. The teaching and interaction with fellow students is incredible, making it a memorable experience. God's grace and mercy is present throughout the course."

Martine, charity shop manager

"Nick and Jon share not just with great wisdom and knowledge but also with real patience and understanding. We really feel they want to help us grow, to inspire us to deeper worship and to equip us to serve our church family. Not just for group leaders and teachers. I wish my whole church could do this course!"

Andrew, engineer

"The workshop groups provide an opportunity to apply the learning from earlier sessions and have made me think more carefully about the context and reason that the passages were written. The group work is relaxed and builds confidence around 'having a go' at giving a short talk. It has been one of the real highlights of the course for me. It is really making me think."

Sandra, retired teacher



