

The plant grows, matures and dies, but before this cycle is complete, seeds are dispersed, and a new plant germinates.

So – we have been growing for a hundred years, and what are the fruits of our development, and how might these look in the future? What are we hoping to renew, and perhaps more importantly, what new developments might emerge to carry us into the next decade and beyond?

This year's annual conference will give us chance to consider these questions, working mainly in conversation groups, and will hopefully provide very real growth points for us to take back to our local communities.

Conversation groups:

- 1) Gender – Identity and the marriage ritual
Facilitators: Aaron Mirkin and Peter Howe
- 2) Relationship between The Christian Community and the Anthroposophical movement. How will that be in future?
Facilitator: Marie-Reine Adams
- 3) Religious life for children - new forms of worship?
Facilitators: Siobhán Moora
- 4) Nathaniel, Joseph of Arimathea, Nicodemus,
Bearers of a future Christianity
Facilitator: Erhard Keller and Adrian Large
- 5) Music in the service - familiar or challenging?
Facilitators: Joris Boon, Christian Lillicrap
- 6) Free conversation
Facilitator: Kevin Street

Annual Conference of The Christian Community

19 -21 May 2023

22 Baylie Street
Stourbridge DY8 1AZ

A Sower Went out to Sow the Seed Seeds for Renewal



Programme

Friday 19th May

16.30	Registration, Refreshments
18.00	Supper
19.30	Welcome
	Facilitators describe groups
20.30	Close of Day with Sermon

Saturday 20th May

9.00	Act of Consecration of Man
10.15	Coffee
11.00	Singing
11.15	Conversation Groups
12.45	Lunch
14.30	Clay modelling
16.00	Tea break
16.30	Conversation Groups
17.30	Singing
18.00	Supper
19.15	Social evening, bring a contribution
20.30	Close of Day

Sunday 21st May

9.00	Children's Service
9.30	Act of Consecration of Man
10.30	Coffee
11.15	The Seed is Sowing the Sower
	Plenum: What seeds are calling me?
12.15	Singing
12.30	Samosas for going home

Registration:

Please send application form to 22 Baylie Street or email: rosiephillpot@gmail.com by 21st April

Conference cost: £60/£70/£80

Accommodation:

There are some beds available locally, contact Paul Randon: paulrandon@btinternet.com or go on AirBNB, Premier Inn or booking.com websites

Parking: The carpark will be used for the marquee, Please park on the streets or in Mary Stevens Park Please send application back by 21st April

Social evening coordinator: Kevin Street

Singing and Clay modelling are led by Bernardus Nijhuis