

SCBA Newsletter Wednesday 25th October 2023

Welcome to all our SCBA Churches, Communities, Ministers and Leaders!

SCBA Leaders' Day & AGM 2023

Monday 6th November, 10am-3pm Basingstoke Baptist Church



We are looking forward to seeing you at our Leaders' Day & AGM, this will be an opportunity for us to worship together, celebrate what God is doing across our association, build relationships with each other, discern leaders and learn together about our ministry within our settings.

If you a minister, this day counts towards your CMD - you can find out more information and book in here: www.scba.org.uk/leadersday



Missionally Engaging in Local Community

We are excited to present the Missionally Engaging in Local Community monthly course, run by Ali Boulton, to equip and inspire you and your team to reach your community with the love of Christ.

This deeply practical course will look at theology, practice and transformation – and is designed for leadership teams (or others involved in community engagement) within our churches and missional communities.

The course is designed to be accessible to those of all backgrounds and contexts, no prior theological experience necessary.

The start of the course is fast approaching, and we would not want finances to be a reason not to come, plus if you aren't able to make the in-person sessions, please get in touch with Jim about other ways to join in at: <u>j.thomas@scba.org.uk</u>

For more information and to book, please go to: www.scba.org.uk/melc



Save the Date – SCBA Ministers' & Leaders' Conference

· 5th – 7th February 2024, DoubleTree by Hilton, Cheltenham

BAPTISTS TOGETHER Ministerial Rules Consultation

We would like to remind you that all churches, ministers and pastors of churches are invited to take part in the current consultation on ministerial rules. The consultation closes on the 30th November and it is really important that we hear the voice of you as a minister and of your church. We understand that some churches may not feel ready to complete the whole consultation, we understand this and ask that you log on to the consultation and let us know that you are unable to complete it, as this too is part of our listening.

You can find out more information about the consultation on the <u>Baptist Together Website</u>

If you are wondering how to answer this as a church, then please do not be isolated in your discerning as a Regional Team we are here to support you and your church navigate through this (and anything else).

We have run Kind and Gentle spaces for over 70 of our ministers and leaders. Currently 7 church leadership teams have used the material or are using the material to help facilitate their engagement with the LGBTQ conversation. If you would find a Kind and Gentle space helpful for yourself or your leadership team, then please get in touch.

All-Round Volunteer Youth Leader Training



Coming to SCBA in 2024

An exciting course to equip and strengthen anyone working with/ministering to young people in churches and community projects.



Find out more about this fantastic course here

If you'd be interested in hosting the training or encouraging your team to sign up then please do get in touch so we can build the delivery around what would work for you (online or in person, evenings or weekends etc): <u>c.hooper@scba.org.uk</u>

