

So, how do we grow the gospel at the grassroots?

# Public Christianity: is there any other kind?

A grassroots event sponsored by:  
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• Wiremu Tamihana te Waharoa • William Wilberforce  
• Dorothy Day • Desmond Tutu • William Stringfellow ...  
Can thoughtful Christian praxis make a difference? They have!

## Plenary sessions:

- Andrew Bradstock
- Jonathan Boston
- Chris Marshall
- Ruby Duncan

## Jesus is Lord, and Caesar isn't!

Since Jesus is Lord of all, the gospel requires that together we take action to resist "the ways of the world" by promoting ways of living that evidence Jesus' lordship. This is not something we can do alone; nor are we expected to. Christ-like living and work in the world cannot be undertaken apart from the body of Christ. Local congregations are the hands and feet of Jesus in the world. Through them he continues to take action.

**In addition, others engaged in public Christian practice will provide workshops on a range of local and global considerations, possibilities, opportunities, and challenges.**

**Also, there will be a facilitated panel discussion with "from the floor" participation – your input is welcomed.**



6:30pm to 8:45pm **Friday 27** and  
9:30am to 4pm **Saturday 28 August 2010**

**VENUE:** LifePoint Church  
61 Hopper Street, Mt Cook,  
Wellington 6035

**PARKING:** Free parking is available at  
Massey University – access through the  
Tasman Street entrance

## Plenary sessions



**Andrew Bradstock**  
Howard Paterson  
Professor of Theology  
and Public Issues  
and Director of the  
Centre for Theology  
and Public Issues at  
the University of Otago  
*"Why Christian theology  
is a public matter"*



**Chris Marshall**  
Associate Professor  
of Religious Studies,  
Victoria University of  
Wellington  
*"Just Compassion: The  
parable of the good  
Samaritan and the  
ethics of restorative  
care"*



**Jonathan Boston**  
Professor of Public  
Policy and Director of  
the Institute of Policy  
Studies, Victoria  
University of Wellington  
*"Some personal  
reflections: Christian  
faith, public faith, and  
public life"*



**Ruby Duncan**  
CEO of IOSIS (providing  
practical support,  
including learning, to  
encourage struggling  
families)  
*"The character of  
thoughtful, informed,  
Christian social  
support"*

## Doing public Christianity at the grassroots

How may we develop our vision of the gospel? How may our faith communities become missional peoples?

The event aims to encourage grassroots, congregation-centred, engagement with the whole gospel. Local activists will provide reflections, workshops, and discussion input on a range of local and global considerations, possibilities, opportunities, and challenges. Your input is also welcomed.

## Workshops

- Kim Workman – Justice is a public affair
- Peter McKenzie – The legacy of the "Clapham Sect"
- Justin Duckworth – Doing the gospel
- Tom Noakes Duncan – Covenanted community as a basis for witness
- Matt Lamason & Andrew Bradstock – Just trade and the gospel

## Fees

**Pre-conference discount**  
Waged \$30.00  
Unwaged & Students \$10.00

Fees include coffee & tea provided by Peoples Coffee  
Lunch not included  
Please BYO or purchase

**Fees "on the day"**  
Waged \$40.00 Unwaged & Students \$15.00

Please mail your registration slip and cheque, payable to "Wellington Theological Consortium", to:  
Public Christianity Conference,  
C/- Wellington CEC,  
PO Box 1937, Wellington 6140

### Pre-conference registration slip

Please register me for  
**Public Christianity: Is there any other kind?**

Name .....

Waged  Unwaged or Student

Postal Address .....

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Phone (s) .....

Email .....

Cheque attached for \$.....

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