

247 Learning **SUMMER COURSE - COMMUNITY**



Since 24-7 Transit started two years ago, we've recognised the need for different types and styles of learning and training. In particular, we've considered how to support and equip smaller communities, where people aren't always able to travel to spend a year somewhere else. We want these communities to develop good rhythms of learning and training as a part of their life together, and we believe 247 Learning can help them to do that.

What is it?

The 247 Learning is about:

- *Learning together*, in groups of at least 5. Groups will spend time together learning about Christ, reflecting on the values of being a Christ-centred community and discovering things to put into practice in their local communities.
- Downloading a *weekly podcast*. Teaching will be based around a theme - this second course is on 'Community'. There will be eight main talks over 8 weeks, with an introduction and conclusion session at either end. The talks will be given by teachers from Transit courses in the UK and the USA, and sometimes at 24-7 gatherings. We hope to also include a number of guest speakers.
- *Meeting regularly with a local mentor*. We'd like each group to find a local mentor for their time together, who will offer support and encouragement, and meet with groups through the course.
- *Connecting online* through a website and through skype calls or face to face meets with a 247 facilitator.

What will the learning and training focus on?

This course focuses on Community and will begin in the second week of May 2008. The summer course will run as follows:

Introduction: A 10 minute introduction download

Week 1 - 'What is community ?' principles, bible basis	Phil Togwell
Week 2 - 'Building community for the community' Stories and principles from Boiler Rooms	Various
Week 3 - ' The Trinitarian Dance' three keys for community from the Trinity	Andy Freeman
Week 5 - 'Values and Rhythm' The BR Rule	Andy Freeman
Week 5 - 'A Vow to God' Vows, covenants and the Rules of Life	Phil Anderson
Week 6 - 'Hospitality' Going deeper, spiritual disciplines	Phil Togwell
Week 7 - 'Missional Communities' How to build Jesus centred mission	tba
Week 8 - 'Loving one another' John 15, 1 Cor 13	Andy Freeman

10 minute closing download

As part of the course, you will also receive a copy of 'Punk Monk: New Monasticism and the Ancient Art of Breathing' by yours truly and Pete Greig, to add to the learning process.

What will be needed from participants?

Participants joining the *247 Learning* will need:

- to be at least 5 in number
- to commit to listening to the weekly download (either individually or, ideally, together) and meeting to discuss it
- to have a local mentor who'll join in with the group in different ways through the year (24-7 can help with this)
- to connect with the national 24-7 team and with those implementing the training
- to regularly log onto the website and discuss the learning
- to submit written or practical projects occasionally

- to do some reading
- to attend the 'connecting points' where possible

How to register

247 Learning will be piloted this year and will be drawn largely from 24-7prayer's current training resources and programmes. If you're interested in being involved please contact

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When registering, please say where you're from, and list the names and email addresses of those who want to participate... and whether there is someone you think could be a local mentor (*the Communities Team can help with this if necessary. In the UK, communities will also receive support from the national teams.*)

There is a charge of £50 (75 Euro's, US\$100, CA\$110) per person per term to get involved. This charge covers admin costs, provides for a book a term and contributes to the development of the course. Please send a cheque payable to 24-7 Transit for the full amount with your booking. You can pay electronically if you'd prefer, just email me and I can give you details.

Once registered, you'll be given access to the website, more information about the course and send you your books. The first download-talk will be available in the week beginning 11th May.

Thanks for reading.
Andy Freeman