



FOUNDATIONS FOR CHRISTIAN
LIVING AND LEADERSHIP



Message from our pastors

Great works of architecture are built on great foundations. The deeper the foundations the higher and broader you can build.

My wife and I owe so much to the families and friends, worldwide, who supported us through our Bible college years. Those years radically turned our lives around as God started a life-changing work in us. It wasn't a 'year out' of armchair theology, but a 'year in' of encountering Jesus and His stunning church.

I think maybe the greatest danger for the next generation is that they would *know of* God, but not invest intentional time in *knowing* God. Knowing God's purpose for our lives begins with 'seeking first the kingdom' (Matt. 6:33). Seeking means spending time listening, digging for the treasure in His Word, and actually burning physical calories in serving and finding out our gifts and calling.

If you want gold you have to dig for it; it takes time and investment but it's worth it. I feel more than ever our world needs men and women of deeper substance, who have encountered Jesus and His church. Substance will always trump style, form or position. Investing a year at New Life College can kick-start that amazing journey.

New Life College has a history of launching people all over the world into great things, from church planters, to leaders in business, teachers in education, artists, local government councillors, professionals in various forms of media and the social care industry. We can't wait to see the next generation be part of that ongoing legacy.

Matt and Vivi Warren
(MA Applied Theology)
Senior Pastors



College intro

We are delighted to introduce New Life College. It is an initiative that, unbeknown to me, God had been preparing in my heart many years ago during my own Bible college experience and then deepened further through my theological studies at university. In the New Testament, Peter instructs his listeners to 'grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ' (2 Peter 3:18). It is a directive for God's people to seek after His truth, His purpose and His plan for our lives through the unconditional grace and love of Christ. Romans 10:17 states that 'faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God'. New Life College presents a one-year course for students to take a 'year in' of growing in personal faith and relationship with God. The course offers a threefold opportunity for students to intern with a thriving church, grow in theological understanding of the Word of God, and develop leadership skills for Christian ministry. Welcome to a life-changing year.



Peter & Jessica Owen
(BA Theology)
College Principal



College hours

Students attend lectures every Tuesday–Friday between 9.30am and 2.00pm. Mondays and Saturdays are days off where students can rest or work in order to finance individual living arrangements.

Students will be given the opportunity to intern with different church ministries as part of the course. We set a minimum of 5 hours serving time per week. As each student's work and study arrangements will differ, student serving time will look different for each individual.

Fees

Course fee

The whole course fee is £650.

This fee can be paid upfront in full, in instalments, or through a monthly standing order. This fee covers guest speakers, study and course books, exam entry fees if applicable as well as a retreat celebration weekend on completion of the course.

Individual lectures

If you are unable to commit to the college, but would like to attend certain lectures or seminars you are welcome to do so. There will be an opportunity for anyone in the congregation to sign up to certain lectures, with a small charge of £5.

Course intakes

This is an academic year course and the first intake will be in September 2020.

This course lends itself to 18 to 30 year olds, however, suitability for the course is not defined by age but based on the individual.

Course content

The course is a an academic year, full-time programme that trains and equips men and women for leadership in every sphere of life and for Christian ministry. Our Learning Ethos is based on the 5 principles which govern and guide our church: Worship, Community, Discipleship, Service, and Living on Mission.

Our training is threefold:

1. To effectively equip students with the Word of God as a primary source of theological understanding. Hebrews 4:12 'For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword.'
2. To effectively equip students with the practical skills for delivering local ministry and leadership. James 2:14 'What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds?'
3. To effectively equip students with an in-depth understanding of the intricate workings of church ministry through internship.



Course overview

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Seminars

At New Life Church, we are committed to the commission of discipleship. We believe it is the God-given call in each individual to seek their unique gifting that will further God's kingdom. As such, we will provide seminars intended to support individuals in discovering their spiritual gifting. Some of the seminars include:

- Shape and Spirituality
- Church Leadership
- Christian Living
- Strength Finders Course
- Serving the Local Church

Lectures

Peter Owen will be delivering content and expertise for an AS Level Religious Studies qualification. The content of the AS level includes core ideas in Christian belief and so is valuable for all students, however, sitting the examination and gaining the qualification is optional. The AS course consists of:

1. Ethics and Christianity
2. Philosophy of Religion
3. Study of Christianity

Internship

Students will spend approximately 5 hours per week supporting either one or multiple ministries within the church. This will support and empower students to enlarge their skillset and to grow in their unique calling.

Church ministries

New Life College is based in Emsworth, on the south coast of England. New Life Church is a generational church committed to developing and equipping young leaders to live an effective Christian life through Missional Training, Spiritual Growth and Community Serving.

With over 20 years of past college experience, we are a team devoted to Christian discipleship. Our mission is to grow effective Christian leaders who will go on to be 'Salt of the Earth' in the South of England and beyond.

The elective streams

- Children's Ministry (including Boys' and Girls' Brigade)
 - 0 to 10 years old
- Youth Ministry (Ignite and Fuel) – 11 to 18 years old
- Young Adults Ministry – 18 to 30 years old
- Women's Replenish Ministry
- Men's Unite Ministry
- Worship Ministry
- Creative Ministry (lighting, sound and media team)
- Administration and Events
- Hospitality and Property



EXEMPLAR: Working week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Free Time</p>	<p>Praise and Worship (8.30am)</p> <p>Morning Lectures: (9.30–11.30) AS Level: Philosophy of Religion (Christianity)</p> <p>Afternoon Lectures: (12.30–14.00) AS Level: Ethics of Religion (Christianity)</p> <p>Intern ministry time: 5 hours min through the week but dedicated time to ensure working in ministries</p>	<p>ALL Church Prayer Meeting (6.30am)</p> <p>Morning Seminar: (9.30–11.30) Christian Doctrine: Salvation and Atonement</p> <p>Afternoon Seminar: (12.30–14.00) Eschatological studies</p> <p>Mentor meet up: (w/ Peter and Jessica)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss with Mentors how things are going • Fill in prayer diary • Ensure all prepped for ministry 	<p>Morning Seminar: (9.30–11.30) Shape – Finding your calling</p> <p>Afternoon Lectures: (12.30–14.00) AS Level: Study of Christianity</p> <p>Essay time: Students to work on essays that have been assigned</p>	<p>Student Prayer meeting (7.00am)</p> <p>Morning Seminar: (9.30–11.30) The Christian Leader (The Kingdom of God)</p> <p>Afternoon Seminar: (12.30–14.00) The Christian Leader (How to lead a small group)</p> <p>Intern ministry time: (Practical Theology)</p> <p>Work with Steve Harris, Samy Hollingsworth or Hospitality team.</p>

Our theological standing aligns with the Evangelical Alliance statement of faith

We believe in...

1. The one true God who lives eternally in three persons – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
2. The love, grace and sovereignty of God in creating, sustaining, ruling, redeeming and judging the world.
3. The divine inspiration and supreme authority of the Old and New Testament Scriptures, which are the written Word of God – fully trustworthy for faith and conduct.
4. The dignity of all people, made male and female in God's image to love, be holy and care for creation, yet corrupted by sin, which incurs divine wrath and judgement.
5. The incarnation of God's eternal Son, the Lord Jesus Christ – born of the virgin Mary; truly divine and truly human, yet without sin.
6. The atoning sacrifice of Christ on the cross: dying in our place, paying the price of sin and defeating evil, so reconciling us with God.
7. The bodily resurrection of Christ, the first fruits of our resurrection; His ascension to the Father, and His reign and mediation as the only Saviour of the world.
8. The justification of sinners solely by the grace of God through faith in Christ.
9. The ministry of God the Holy Spirit, who leads us to repentance, unites us with Christ through new birth, empowers our discipleship and enables our witness.
10. The church, the body of Christ both local and universal, the priesthood of all believers – given life by the Spirit and endowed with the Spirit's gifts to worship God and proclaim the gospel, promoting justice and love.
11. The personal and visible return of Jesus Christ to fulfil the purposes of God, who will raise all people to judgement, bring eternal life to the redeemed and eternal condemnation to the lost, and establish a new heaven and new earth.



Suggested reading

Biblical studies

Introducing the Old Testament – John Drane
Introducing the New Testament – John Drane
How to Read the Bible for all it's Worth – Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart
Understanding the Bible – John Stott
Unlocking the Bible – David Pawson
Knowing God – JI Packer
The Nature and Character of God – Winky Pratney
The Pursuit of God – A.W. Tozer
Crazy Love – Francis Chan

Building church

Deep and Wide – Andy Stanley
IT – Craig Groeschel

Leadership

360 degree Leader – John Maxwell
Generous Justice – Timothy Keller
Courageous Leadership – Bill Hybels
Knowledge of the Holy – A.W. Tozer
Communicating for a Change – Andy Stanley
Know the Truth – Bruce Milne
21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership – John Maxwell
Basic Christian Leadership – John Stott
Top 10 Qualities of a Great Leader – Phil Pringle
Purpose Driven Church – Rick Warren

Pastoral

Spiritual Disciplines – Richard Foster
Supernatural Ways of Royalty – Kris Vallotton
Working the Angles – Eugene Patterson
Culture of Honour – Danny Silk
The Reason for God – Timothy Keller

How to be a People Helper – Gary Collins

The Biblical Basis of Christian Counselling for People Helpers – Gary Collins

The Emotionally Healthy Church – Peter Scazzero

Worship

Extravagant Worship – Darlene Zschech
Introducing the New Testament – John Drane
Destined to Reign – Joseph Prince
How to Enter the Presence of God – Terry Law
Worship Ministry and TeamWorship – Graham Kendrick
The Unquenchable Worshipper – Matt Redman
Here I Am To Worship – Tim Hughes

Youth

Purpose Driven Youth Ministry – Doug Fields
Your First Two Years in Youth Ministry – Doug Fields
Youth Ministry – Christine Caine
Hurt: Inside the Worlds of Today's Teenagers – Chap Clark
Why Most Youth Ministry Doesn't Last and What Your Church Can Do about It – Mark DeVries
Fighting Chance – Patrick Regan
The Seven Checkpoints for Student Leaders – Andy Stanley

**We hope to see you
in September 2020!**

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