

Going for GROWTH

*'I was fully engaged with the material and energised to go back to the parish to try things out!'
'The style was spot-on, a mix of input, discussion and silence!'*

Back by popular demand... This course about how churches grow today is for all clergy and other lay leaders who wish to see their churches flourish and grow numerically and spiritually. The course leader, The Venerable Bob Jackson, has been researching, writing about, teaching and also practising church growth for many years. As well as a church growth consultant, he is a lecturer at St John's.

Each session will focus on a different aspect of the general road to church growth, but will also give time for your own particular concerns and situation. You will be invited to fill in a questionnaire before the course begins and this will help set the agenda.

The course runs at St John's College Nottingham for five Wednesday afternoons from 2pm to 5pm. You are free, if you wish, to arrive for 1pm to share lunch with the college community and/or to stay on at the end of the session to share in the weekly college communion service starting at 5.15pm, and even for dinner afterwards. The fee for the whole course is £85, with a small extra charge for meals (£6.95 lunch; £5.75 light supper).

PROGRAMME

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| Week 1 | 20 February | Change or decay in all around I see (Changes that lead to growth) |
| Week 2 | 27 February | Leading the leaders (Leadership styles & job descriptions for clergy & other leaders) |
| Week 3 | 6 March | Ringing in the New (Planting new events & expressions within the existing church) |
| Week 4 | 13 March | Welcoming the Stranger (Helping people progress from interest to attending to belonging) |
| Week 5 | 20 March | A hundred miles wide and one inch deep? (Provoking growth in spirituality & discipleship alongside numbers) |

The most relevant background reading, if you have the time, would be:

The Road to Growth, Bob Jackson (CHP 2005)

Everybody Welcome, Bob Jackson & George Fisher (CHP 2009)

Booking deadline: Friday 1 February 2013

For enquiries contact: David Hilton on 0115 968 3224 or 0115 925 1114
or email bookshop@stjohns-nottm.ac.uk

BOOKING FORM - GOING FOR GROWTH

Send this form to David Hilton at

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Name _____

Address _____

_____ Post code _____

Telephone numbers _____

Email _____

- I will attend the whole course of five sessions, price £85
- I would like lunch/es @ £6.95 on 20, 27 Feb, 6, 13, 20 March (circle)
- I would like supper/s @ £5.75 on 20, 27 Feb, 6, 13, 20 March (circle)

(Example: course, five lunches and three dinners= £137)

Payment by cheque or credit/debit card - see overleaf

- I have special dietary needs (specify below)

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- I have a disability requirement. Please give details below.

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- If you do not want us to pass your name and address to others on the course please tick here. We would not use this information for any other purpose.