

# Mini Bible School

# Faithful Presence: Being Jesus in Community

Tuesday **21st** & Thursday **23rd** January 2025 at **7:30 pm** 

Tilsley Auditorium, GLO Centre, Motherwell, ML1 1BN

£5

Most people recognise that community is important but there is a widescale belief that many aspects of our community life are broken. We live in a society where neighbours often don't know each other, and many are blissfully unaware of the heartache and the joys that exist in their street. Personal tensions also cause stress in many communities and people are often lonely, guarded and uncaring.



This year's Mini Bible School will examine how the **Beatitudes**, if properly lived out, enable us to be better neighbours, friends and role models in a fractured community by being the people Jesus wants us to be. They are a radical message to followers of Jesus in which authentic living is promoted. As Christians we are not just to believe in ideas, rather we are to embody them by the way we live. We are to 'Be Jesus' in community by living out this lifestyle in our neighbourhood, our workplace, our social circle and our sphere on influence. By being the people Jesus wants us to be we can bring the gospel back into community through the way we live.

## SPEAKERS:

#### We are delighted to have Kevin Simpson and Richard Harknett joining our regular team of speakers.



**Kevin Simpson** is an entrepreneur, Bible teacher and the co-founder of Malawi Fruits, a charity that promotes and develops sustainable enterprise in Malawi. He has many years of experience working with non-profit organisations including Crusaders, Mission Aviation Fellowship and the Glasgow Simon Community. He also does Bible teaching across Scotland and in Malawi.



**Dr Stephen McQuoid** is the General Director of GLO Europe. He grew up in Ethiopia and then lived in Ireland where he qualified as a nurse before going on to study theology. He was the Principal of Tilsley College for ten years before taking up his present post where he has overall responsibility for the running of the organisation. Stephen is author of more than a dozen books and has a passion for evangelism, mission and helping churches to reach out relevantly to their community.



**Richard Harknett** is the Regional Training Director of GLO Europe. He helps to co-ordinate the Joshua programme as well as running a range of other training events in the UK, Eastern Europe and Latin America. Prior to that Richard and Pam were missionaries with GLO in Peru for 11 years.

# Tuesday 21st January 7:30 pm

#### Session 1: Stephen McQuoid Matthew 5:1-2

This session will set the scene for the Mini Bible School. As Jesus saw the crowds he calls his disciples and begins to instruct them how to live in community. We need to see our communities as Jesus does and hear his instructions for us.

#### Session 2: Kevin Simpson Matthew 5:3-5

This session will examine what it means to be Poor in Spirit, to Mourn and to be Meek. It will look at our response to selfassurance, ambivalence and selfishness in culture.

# Thursday 23rd January 7:30 pm

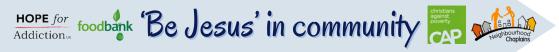
#### Session 1: Kevin Simpson Matthew 5:6-12

This session continues with the themes of Righteousness, Mercy, Purity, Peace-making, Steadfastness and Rejoicing. This is countercultural to being me-focussed, vengeful, insincere, and also to compromise and stasis.

#### Session 2: Richard Harknett Matthew 5:13-17

This session will finish by examining what it means to be Salt and Light in our communities; BEING as well as DOING. Making our presence in the community an act of worship – glorifying the Father.'

We are also delighted to welcome representatives from Clyde Valley Community Church Foodbank, Christians against Poverty, Neighbourhood Chaplaincy and Hope for Addiction.



# Come along and be informed inspired and equipped

## All are welcome. See the back page for registration details.

There will be light refreshments at the end of each evening.

The sessions will be recorded and links will be available after the event.

The GLO Bookshop will be open before and after the event.

## Watch out for some special offers!



#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact Allison Hill: 🖂 ahill@glo-europe.org 🕓 01698 263483

# **REGISTRATION FORM**

I would like to register for the GLO Mini Bible School 2025.

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For registration via the GLO website: <u>https://glo-europe.org/glo/event/</u>