



“CHANGING CHURCH FOR A CHANGING WORLD”

**Bishop Raphael Hess and Ekklesia
invites the 3 Western Cape Dioceses to**

A DAY WITH BISHOP CRAY

2 AM Sessions: “Introducing Fresh Expressions and Mission-Shaped Ministry”

2 PM Sessions: “Mission and discipleship – two sides of the same coin”

Date: Tuesday 23 July 2013

**Venue: Good Shepherd Church
7th Avenue, Off Voortrekker Main Rd, Kensington
Between Goodwood and Maitland, Tel 021-593 5253 / 8343.**

**Time: 09h30 Registration and Coffee / Tea
10h00 – 16h00 for 4 Sessions**

Cost: R150 - this includes teas and lunch

**Registration: Go to www.growingthechurch.org.za click on
‘Events’ and “A Day with Graham Cray” OR
Email office@growingthechurch.org.za / call 021 763 1315**

About this event. Whilst some of our mainline churches are thriving, many are in decline. This was certainly the case in the UK where many churches were being closed. But in the last 10 years, London for example has shown a 70% growth. How did this happen. What was the contribution of Fresh Expressions? What can we learn?

A **fresh expression of church** is a new form of church for a fast-changing world that serves those outside the existing church, listens to people and enters their culture, makes discipleship a priority and intentionally forms Christian community.

The **Fresh Expressions organisation** exists to encourage and support the **fresh expressions movement**, working with Christians from a **variety of denominations and traditions**. The initiative has resulted in hundreds of new congregations being formed alongside more traditional churches. It was started in 2004 by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York with the Methodist Council, but now involves an unparalleled range of partners. For more info go to: www.freshexpressions.org.uk

About the hosts of this event.

The host of this event is EKKLESIA, an ecumenical body comprising many local denominations, of which the Dutch Reform and Anglican Churches are probably the largest. **Who should attend?** Clergy and lay-leaders are all welcome!



About Bishop Graham Cray

He was appointed Archbishops’ Missioner and Leader of the Fresh Expressions team. He was consecrated in 2001 and became the Bishop of Maidstone, an assistant to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Before becoming a bishop he was principal of Ridley Hall, Cambridge, a Church of England theological college, after fourteen years as vicar of St Michael-le-Belfrey, York, where he worked with and then succeeded the late Canon David Watson.

His special concerns are the engagement of the Gospel with contemporary culture, youth ministry and the theology of renewal. He chaired the working party which wrote the *Mission-shaped Church* report on church planting and fresh expressions of church.

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**Archbishop Thabo
Makgoba welcomes
and encourages the
ministry of Bishop
Graham Cray.**