

Venue: Huddersfield Elim Church

9.30am - Doors Open

10am - Event starts - Welcome and Housekeeping

10.10am - Worship

10.25am - Keynote 1 - Building a United Region with Leanne Robson

11am – Break

11.15am - Keynote 2 - Ministry in 4 Dimensions with Mark Griffiths

**12.15pm –** Break

**12.30pm –** Kids Leadership Stream - Communication with Mark Griffiths Youth Leadership Stream – Mental Health and a Space to Breath with Natasha Jamieson

**1.15pm -** Lunch

**2pm –** Kids Leadership Stream – Prayer TBC Youth Leadership Stream – Prayer with Sean Pickering

2.45pm – Break

**3pm –** Prayer Ministry and Reflection (with Worship)

3.30pm – Feedback and Review

4pm – Close

Venue – Elim Huddersfield, Grace Centre, 23 St John's Road, Huddersfield, HD1 5BW.

## **Speaker Bios:**

#### **Mark Griffiths**

Mark has been in full time Christian Ministry for 35 years, holding posts from senior minister all the way up to Children's Pastor. He presently works for St Padarn's Institute in Wales, UK, where he has developed and delivers a Master of Theology qualification in Children, Young People and Families. He is also part of the Board of Directors for Scripture Union (UK). He has published extensively in the area of Ministry to Children and Young People and has spoken on this subject across the world. His PhD is in Child Evangelism and church growth.

In Mark's two sessions he will be exploring some of the topics covered in his research and books. He is an incredibly clear and relevant teacher, passionate about the church being inspired and equipped to reach children and young people with Jesus; these sessions are not to be missed!

## Natasha Jamieson

Natasha Jamieson is a wife and mum, former primary school teacher and leader of children's ministry at Elim Pentecostal Church Huddersfield.

Over the past few years her 'ministry shape' has been changing and she has been on a journey where her passion for pastoral and mental health focused ministry has grown and grown. She has her own story of struggling with anxiety and, being the type of person who is happy to share, she has been able to encourage others when they may have felt reluctant or fearful to open up and ask for help. She now runs Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing Sessions in her own church and beyond.

She is passionate about raising the awareness of mental heath so that we as the church can respond like Jesus when so many people are struggling. It is also important that we see how important it is to nurture and look after ourselves and our own mental wellbeing as leaders.

Her hope for our session at Oxygen is that you can be encouraged to take some time for yourselves in addition to feeling better equipped at supporting the young people in your care.

#### Leanne Robson

Leanne is the new regional leader for the North East and is also youth leader at Kingdom Life Church in Newcastle, she has also served and led in both children's and youth ministries over the past 11 years. She is passionate about seeing young people and children encountering Jesus and as a local she has a love for the North East region. In her session "Building a united Region", she will be sharing her heart for the region and how we can come together as Youth and Children's workers to support and pray for each other, to build relationships with other churches, share resources and create community and unity within our fantastic region. This keynote will consist of vision, opportunities for questions and opportunities to meet and pray with other children and youth workers in our region.

# Sean Pickering - Message Trust

Sean currently works for the Message Trust overseeing their work with young people across the North East region. Sean has been involved with youth ministry over the last 14 years and has a wealth of knowledge and experience in regards to pioneering work with young people.

Sean has a passion for mission and evangelism, with a real desire to see young people come to know Jesus in a real and authentic way and have the opportunity to grow and develop in their faith journey.

We are super excited to have Sean with us at Oxygen delivering a session on "Prayer" and the importance of it being central and at the heart of our youth ministries & groups!!!