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KESWICK CONVENTION 2022

GRATEFUL

WEEK ONE	WEEK TWO	WEEK THREE
16 - 22 July	23 - 29 July	30 July - 5 August
Bible Readers ALISTAIR BEGG	Bible Readers JEREMY McQUOID	Bible Readers MARTIN SALTER
Worship Leaders EMU MUSIC	Worship Leaders BEN SLEE	Worship Leaders OLLY KNIGHT

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus"
1 Thessalonians. 5:18

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The LORD will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; he will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the LORD. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing. Isaiah 51:3

“Ruins ... deserts ... wastelands.” More than 2500 years ago, a superpower swept through the nation of Israel. Pictures from Ukraine mean we can easily imagine the scene.

At that time, unlike now, God’s prophets declared that this was nothing other than God’s judgement for flagrant idolatry and rebellion against the God who had made them, sustained them and warned them again and again.

But Isaiah here makes it clear it’s not the end of the story.

The other side of devastation and destruction came the promise of God’s comfort, of his compassion. And what is the response of God’s people? Joy, gladness, thanksgiving, singing.

In Jesus Christ, God has acted in compassion to bring comfort. One day we look forward to the final restoration, but in the meantime it is right that there is joy and gladness, thanksgiving and the sound of singing.

That’s why our Convention theme is “Grateful.” That’s why it’s wonderful to have three great bands to lead us with “the sound of singing”: Emu Music (Week 1), Ben Slee (Week 2), Olly Knight (Week 3).

And that’s why the varied seminar programme is based around the theme of “Grateful”. To give you a taster, in Week 1, Clare Heath-Whyte will help us be “ Grateful for their Witness,” learning lessons for today from the lives of ‘Keswick Missionaries’ of the past, while David Gibson will delve into Ecclesiastes, considering life in the light of eternity; in Week 2, Matt Searles will show how “Grateful” gives us a lens to see how the Bible fits together, Mark Greene will enable us to be grateful for work, and Richard Coekin will encourage us to be grateful for church; in week 3, J.John will show us how to be “Grateful Christ has commissioned me” and Ruth Naomi Floyd will lead us to be grateful *and* to lament.

I’m really looking forward to these, and to much more. The Convention website is now live, so do have a look. And please do pray for the final preparations. Enjoy the rest of the newsletter.

Every blessing

James

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading 'James Robinson'. The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'James' being larger and more prominent than the surname 'Robinson'.

Ministry Director
Keswick Ministries



WEEK 1 EMU MUSIC

emumusic.com



WEEK 2 BEN SLEE & BAND

bensleemusic.com

WEEK 3 OLLY KNIGHT & BAND

worshipjesus.co.uk



Some of your Convention questions answered

How much does it cost to attend the Convention?

Where can I find programme details?

Will there be a bookshop and cafe this year?

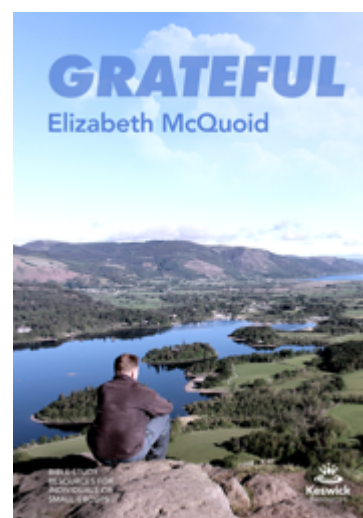


The Keswick Convention is the only event of its kind which does not charge entrance. We want to welcome everybody and for everyone to be able to hear the word of the Lord and be blessed by it. We rely on the generous donations of our supporters also for our year-round ministry. The estimated cost to attend is £120 per person per week. If you are



Programme details are now available on our website. Click on the link below to access the full programme.

**Click for
Convention
Programme**



We are looking forward to having 10 of those provide the book shop again at this year's Convention. They will be in the Packing Hall. There will be a range of excellent resources available so you can stock up

attending this year and would like to give, you can do so online. Online giving allows us to keep our administrative costs low and takes the pressure off the volunteer team during the Convention. We realise that not everyone can give this amount, but also know that some have generously chosen to give more to enable others to attend. If you wish to make a donation, please click on the link below. Thank you!

[Donate](#)



PENCIL FACTORY TOURS

This year we will be running Pencil Factory Tours again. Join our team and see the wonderful progress that has been made on the site. There is no need to book online, simply go to reception to collect a ticket. Tickets are limited. We look forward to seeing you.

and take great teaching home with you.

Please look out for Peter Maiden's book, 'Radical Gratitude' and our new Bible study guide 'Grateful' which traces the theme of the whole Convention.

Enjoy Keswick
REFRESH - RELAX - ENJOY!



Don't forget that Keswick town centre is only a short walk away where you can find a number of cafes, restaurants, shops and museums to keep to you entertained. You can also go to enjoykeswick.net to find more information on attractions and hospitality in Keswick.

[For more answers to your questions go to our FAQ page here](#)



This year, we are pleased to have Count Everyone In during week 1. Many people with learning disabilities encounter God for the first time at the Keswick Convention and others grow in their faith and understanding. During the Convention, sessions will be running in the Pencil Factory 11:00 – 12:30 Monday – Friday plus a workshop Tuesday 19 June (2:30 – 4:00) and a seminar on Thursday 21 June (9:30 – 10:30). All are welcome.

Register for this summer's kids and youth programme!



Registration for youth and children is now open!

Places are limited, so make sure to register as soon as possible!



Registration for children and youth is open! Make sure to register right away as places are limited to help ensure children and young people are kept safe! To find out more about your children and youth programme and to register click on the link below.

You might also like to forward our newsletter to friends and family who are considering attending so they, too, know about the need to register. Thank you!

Here some more details on what you can expect each week:

Week 1 - In week one this year we are buzzing to delve into Matthew chapter 8, to gaze upon Jesus together and follow the disciples in asking the question 'who is this man?' We're going to see Jesus heal diseases, teach his followers, calm the storm and even cast out demons. As we do, we're praying we'll get to know him better and understand more of who he is.

Week 2 - At week 2 this year we are going to be diving into the book of Ephesians. Here we are going to see God's great big cosmic plan for the World, we are going to see the blessings of following Jesus and how big God's grace really is!

Week 3 - In week 3 we will be spending time in the gospel of Luke where we will grow in our certainty of what we believe. Not only this but we will also see that although following Jesus is costly it is the greatest thing any of us can do!

[Register here](#)

Would you
pray for
us?

MATT HOLDEN,
CHILDREN AND YOUTH
MINISTRY LEADER



We would love you to pray for us, the Children and Youth team as we prepare for Keswick. Please pray for all those teaching, that they would teach God's word faithfully, clearly and in an engaging way. Please pray that many children and young people would come to Keswick and would go away encouraged to keep living out their faith. Please pray that as we move into the pencil factory, the ministry teams and building would be finished and all the practical details would come together.

Teaching & Training in the Lake District



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Be refreshed to serve



In partnership with Faith in Later Life we ran the first Faith in the Second Half Event with John Wyatt at the Key-note speaker. We are hugely grateful for the way God has spoken through all our speakers at this year's Faith in the Second Half event. We've been challenged, encouraged and inspired to think about life in the second half while enjoying wonderful fellowship together in Keswick.



Listen to Pam Rhodes from Songs of Praise as she talks about the annual



Sara Girling

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Participant, Faith in the Second Half

It was a wonderfully inspirational time with such great speakers and opportunities to network with others from other church contexts. I have returned inspired to continue to develop ministry in our church context and hope to bring a larger group next year.

Influential Leadership Workshop

In partnership with Forge Leadership, we ran our 6th Influential Leadership Workshop. Delegates came from all walks of life, from the RAF to paediatrics, entrepreneurs to church leaders. This workshop – running 22nd-26th May 2023 as the Keswick Leadership Course - will help any Christian to lead from the inside out.





Churches Weekend Away March 2023



Join us for a Churches Weekend Away in Keswick, in the heart of the Lake District, a World Heritage Site. Our speaker will be John Risbridger with Colin Webster and Phil Moore leading us in sung worship.

Keswick Ministries is hosting this weekend for churches to enjoy excellent Bible teaching, sung worship and time to gather

together in a wonderful location. It will be for 3-6 churches with a core programme organised for you, along with the time and space to share fellowship and enjoy the beautiful Lake District as a church family throughout the weekend.

It is our hope and prayer that these weekends will provide space for fellowship, fun, encouragement and refreshment to all who attend.

When?

31st March – 2nd April 2023

Who's it for?

For churches with a group booking of under 100 people.

Accommodation

Accommodation should be organised on an individual basis. There are plenty of bed and breakfasts, hostels, hotels, self-catering cottages to choose from in Keswick. Keswick Ministries also has a number of rooms in its Skiddaw Street centre available. There is of course also the option of camping!

[Register](#)

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Have you had a chance to listen to our 'Grateful' podcast series? James Cary and Rachel Redeemed have been chatting to many of the speakers who will be with us in Keswick this summer. In the latest episodes, Rachel speaks to Professor Glynn Harrison and author and speaker Karen Soole on our identity in Christ and how we can be grateful for it. And James catches up with church planter Richard Coekin and with Keswick Ministries trustee, podcaster and vicar's wife, Anna Putt, on being grateful for the local church. **Share these podcasts with your friends and church, they are great conversation starters.**

[Click here for our podcasts](#)

If Christians were as serious about moral distinctiveness as Israel was about ritual cleanness, then our salt and light might have a greater power and impact in

