

## Trainer

## About Bridge Builders



Colin Moulds is Executive Director of Bridge Builders and has been providing training, mediation and consultancy services in both the workplace and churches since 2009. Colin's wealth of experience in Leadership and Management is built from 23 years with the world's largest mobile telecommunications provider.



Bridge Builders seeks to transform the culture of the church in relation to how leaders lead and the way conflict is handled. We aim to strengthen the ministry of Christian leaders, by helping them to be more self-aware, and to develop greater skills, confidence and resilience for working with tensions and conflict in the church.

Bridge Builders offers a range of training courses and workshops, and leads tailored learning events on request. In addition we provide coaching, consultancy and mediation services.

Find out more at [www.bbministries.org.uk](http://www.bbministries.org.uk)

### Quotes from past workshop participants

Lots of humour – not too intense.

Enjoyable as well as helpful.

Such a valuable day – ministers are crying out for this sort of support.

Very thought-through presentation, and appropriate to the audience.

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# Handling Tension in Church Life

**A workshop training day for people in church leadership**

**Saturday 6 May 2017**

**Bloomsbury Baptist Church,**

**London**

**9.30–4.30**

**Transforming church culture**

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## A practical challenge

Tension in church life can be sparked by many different things: personality clashes, changes in buildings or patterns of worship, unexpected crisis events, unpopular decisions by the leadership, arguments about doctrine, disreputable behaviour – to name just some.

And the overall level of tension can be anything from quite low (e.g. minor disagreements between one or two individuals) to cripplingly high (e.g. warring factions, with significant numbers leaving).

But in every case the crucial factor is the way people (especially leaders) *respond* to the element of conflict. That's what determines whether things move in the direction of forgiveness and reconciliation or of blame and hostility.

Jesus' words "Blessed are the peace-makers" sound wonderful in theory, but they can be very demanding to put into practice .....

## Want to be better equipped?

Bridge Builders specialises in practically-focused training, grounded in the example and teaching of Jesus. This workshop is designed for people who are part of a church's leadership group (e.g. a staff team, ministry team, eldership, diaconate, church council). It will be especially helpful if several from a leadership group come together.

## Programme

Running from 9.30 to 4.30, the programme includes worship, teaching, and hands-on skills training.

Learn more about:

- Your own conflict style - its strengths and limitations
- Improving communication when emotions run high
- Helping a church learn more constructive patterns of behaviour in the face of tension
- Hanging onto hope in trying circumstances

## Cost

£65 per person

This includes training materials, refreshments and a simple buffet lunch.

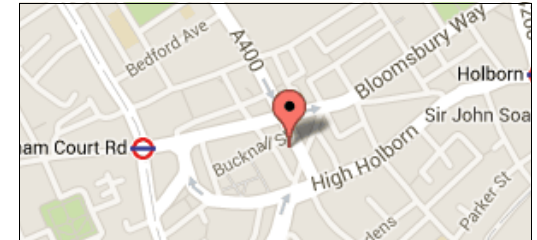
## Venue

Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church

235 Shaftesbury Avenue

London WC2H 8EP

[www.bloomsbury.org.uk](http://www.bloomsbury.org.uk)



The Church is situated at the edge of Covent Garden, close to the junction of New Oxford Street and Shaftesbury Avenue. The nearest underground stations are Tottenham Court Road, Holborn and Covent Garden. The nearest car parking is on Bloomsbury Square, Museum Street and Great Russell Street. There are meters on the surrounding streets.

## How to Book

Please complete the online form at [www.bbministries.org.uk](http://www.bbministries.org.uk) (under Training/Workshops) and then pay the fee, to secure a place.

Cancellations before Wednesday, 26 April 2017 will receive a 50% refund. Thereafter no refund will be provided.

Full contact details for Bridge Builders are on the back panel.

