

ARE YOU INVOLVED IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRY?

- Come and see what resources are available
- Mix with other people who are involved in similar children's ministries
- Renew your commitment to children's ministry
- Get loads of ideas
- Learn new skills
- Be inspired

Register and pay by 29 Jan 2018 for earlybird discount

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Across Australia, there are people labouring together for the children and families of our nation. Representatives from the broad spectrum of Christian denominations and para-church organisations have formed state based Children's Ministry Networks so as to maximise our limited resources. The Children's Ministry Network in each state is working hard to raise the profile of children's ministry and the status of those who work with our youngest citizens. In WA the following groups are represented:

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| Adventist Children's Ministries | Girls' Brigade |
| Anglican Children & Youth Ministries | Kids Vision (Churches of Christ WA) |
| Baptist Churches of WA | OAC Ministries |
| Bible Society Australia | Perth Children's Ministry Convention |
| Boys' Brigade | Prayer Group for Schools |
| Catechist Service – Catholic Education WA | PSSM Mailbox Club |
| Child Evangelism Fellowship | Salvation Army |
| Children in Action Ministries | Scripture Union WA |
| Christ for all Children | Uniting Church in Australia |
| CREW Ministries | YouthCARE |

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Children's Ministry Network (WA) presents

PASSING THE BATON

A training day & expo for those involved in ministry to children

Saturday 10 February 2018
9:00 am–4:00 pm

Mt Pleasant Baptist Church
497 Marmion St, Booragoon, WA





Passing the Baton is a full day event to help equip and encourage children's workers as they pass the baton of faith to the next generation. This event caters to the needs of those involved in children's church, scripture in schools, camps, holiday programs, youth clubs, kids outreach activities, or Brigades.

The *Passing the Baton* expo area provides heaps of ideas and resources for kids ministry, including curricula, prizes, handouts, music ideas, books, and exhibitions by groups who can help in your ministry.



PROGRAM

8.30 am	Arrive and Browse Expo
9.00 am	Intro and Keynote Speaker – Rob Furlong
10.20 am	Morning Tea and Browse Expo
11.00 am	Teaching Session – Rob Adams
12.00 pm	Lunch
1.10 pm	Elective 1 (see right for available electives)
2.10 pm	Elective 2 (see right for available electives)
3.30 pm	Keynote Wrap Up – Rob Furlong
4.00 pm	Close

The expo will remain open for 15 minutes at the end of the day.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Rob Furlong has served in pastoral ministry for over 33 years, including 20 years as Senior Pastor of Thornlie Church of Christ, before transitioning to a role as Pastoral Consultant with Baptist Churches WA. In 2017 Rob returned to local church ministry as Senior Pastor of Woodvale Baptist Church and is enjoying building into the life of a local congregation. He has a desire to be a part of assisting the next generation of leaders to emerge in the local church in Western Australia. Rob is married to Karen and together they have four adult children and thirteen grandchildren! He is the chaplain to the Western Warrs Cricket Team, supports the Fremantle Dockers, enjoys reading, bike riding with Karen and is a budding master chef.



ELECTIVES SESSION 1

A. BIBLE STORYTELLING *Sally Howe*

We know story is important, and that knowing God's Story and where we belong in it is essential for our children's life of faith. As well as exploring some helpful skills, this workshop will look at how our storytelling will benefit greatly from firstly being impacted by the Bible story ourselves.

B. HELPING CHILDREN COPE WITH GRIEF *David Goodwin*

Having supportive adults to stand alongside them during times of grief can make a big difference to how well they cope. In this workshop, we will give an understanding of the grieving process as it relates to children and then practical things that adults can do to make a difference.

C. 'HELP – THE CHURCH IS KILLING ME!' *Rob and Karen Furlong*

We will talk about how to live within your limits, the importance of a contemplative spiritual life, the problem of 'mad church disease' and the things we may need to quit in order to live spiritually and emotionally mature lives.

D. 'LORD I LOVE THEM BUT THEY'RE DRIVING ME NUTS!' *Youthcare*

This lively and practical workshop will explore effective ways to handle discipline and reveal successful behaviour-management tricks and tips. If you've ever had 'one of those days' with student behaviour in your ministry, then this workshop is for you!

E. EASTER IDEAS *Sue Richards*

Ideas, resources, object lessons and crafts to enable you to reach children this Easter. Fun and giveaways.

ELECTIVES SESSION 2

F. HELP OUR KIDS TO STAY *Barb Totterdell and Leah Ellery*

There's a whole range of things that have been found to contribute towards children and young people growing in faith and staying connected to church. We will explore these together and reflect on how they might be implemented in our contexts.

G. LEADING CHILDREN TO DISCIPLESHIP *David Goodwin*

In this workshop, we will look at the most important things that children need to learn to grow in Christ. We will also look at how to mentor children in their faith. Several ideas will be presented on how you can set up an effective follow-up and discipleship program or method.

H. SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL LEARNING NEEDS *Paula Power*

Not everyone learns in the same way. This presentation will provide strategies and accommodations that can be made to enhance the learning environment.

I. GAMES FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY *Sue Richards*

Ideas, demos and resources for review games, games that teach, minute-to-win-its and fun group games for your ministry.

J. MAGNIFY THE MESSAGE *John and Ellie Macpherson*

Develop a vibrant Bible story time using an integrated approach with dynamic elements of storytelling, music, drama and prayer. A practical and enjoyable way to cater for different learning styles and help children to live the gospel.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete one form for each registrant, or register online at www.passingthebaton.org.au. Please note that cancellations incur a \$5.00 fee.

REGISTRANT DETAILS

First name _____ Surname _____

Postal address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Church/organisation (for nametag) _____

ELECTIVES

Subject to availability. Please select one elective from each session:

Session 1

- A. Bible storytelling
 B. Helping children with grief
 C. 'The church is killing me!'
 D. 'They're driving me nuts!'
 E. Easter ideas

Session 2

- F. Help our kids to stay
 G. Leading children to discipleship
 H. Special learning needs
 I. Games for children's ministry
 J. Magnify the message

COST

Registration

- Registration fee \$45.00
 Optional lunch (sorry, we cannot cater to your dietary needs) \$12.00

Available discounts (tick all that apply)

- Under 21 or pensioner –\$5.00
 Earlybird (register and pay by 29 January 2018) –\$5.00

Total _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Cheque/money order – please make payable to 'Scripture Union WA'
 Credit card (Visa or Mastercard only)

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