

**NTCG NATIONAL YOUTH & CE CONVENTION**  
**PROGRAMME OUTLINE 2008**  
*(Subject to changes)*

**THEME: Kingdom Graduate**

**DATE: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2008**

**VENUE: Bethel Convention Centre, B70 7JW**

This year's theme **KINGDOM GRADUATE** adjoins the focus of last year's convention with the next major happenings in the life of Jesus, namely His Baptism, temptations in the wilderness and the commencement of His ministry. One of the key passages of scripture will be Luke 4:1-13 and how Jesus passed the tests (*graduated*).

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2008**

**Evening Session 5:00 - 9:30 pm**

5:00           REGISTRATION

7:00           *Light refreshments may be purchased from the tuck shop on the ground floor*

7:45           Praise and Worship  
                Official Opening of Convention

***TBC***

9:30           Prayer and Close

# Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2008

## Morning Session 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

[9:45 am – 4:00 pm Visit to the 'Black Country Living Museum, Jewellery Museum and the Pen Room for 4 – 12 year olds]

10:00 Praise and Worship

## Presentations

### Young Leaders Programme – Kingdom Report

#### WORKSHOPS, 11:00 - 12:00

**Keynote Address: Graduates, Gangs and Guns** (Main Auditorium)

#### **Standing in the GAP**

A GAP year with a difference – Presented by various agencies

#### **Safety Proofing your Faith**

Students survival guide / Coping away from home

#### **It's Time to PARTY** (*Plan And Report Transformational Youthwork*)

A planning tool to assist churches deliver effective youth ministry locally.  
*For District and Local Youth and CE Directors*

12:00                      **LUNCH**

## Saturday

### Afternoon Session 2:30 – 4:00 pm

2:30                      Praise and Worship

Kingdom Report (5 minute reflection by young person)

Speaker – **Revd Doug Williams** (Senior Pastor of Emmanuel Christian Centre)  
*The Kingdom Undergraduate – Preparing for tests*

4:00                      **BREAK** [4–12 year olds return from outings]

### Evening Session 7:00 – 9:30 pm

7:00 – 9:30            **Praisefest 2008**

Featuring: NTCG Mass & Children's Choir, Dancing in Authority, Jewels,  
Newcomers Spot and more!

9:30                      Close

## **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2008**

### **Morning Session 9:30 am - 12:00 pm**

9:30 Praise and Worship

Kingdom Report (5 minute reflection by young person)

Worship in giving:  
Mass Choir

Speaker – **Revd Doug Williams**  
*The Exam Room*

12:00 pm Prayer and Close

### **Afternoon Session 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm**

2:30 Praise and Worship

I/C: Linda Harris, National Children's Co-ordinator  
*Children's Ministry Service*

**Looking Forward**  
*Forthcoming National Youth Events*

Offering for Mission

4:00 BREAK

[2:30 Young Leaders Programme  
- Participants to meet with Revd Ruben King in The Chapel]

### **Evening Session 6:00 - 8:30 pm**

6:00 Praise and Worship

Communion  
*Entrance into the auditorium will be prohibited during the Communion Service*

Kingdom Report (5 minute reflection by young person)  
Mass Choir  
Worship in giving:

Speaker – **Revd Doug Williams**  
*Postgraduate Studies*

8:30 pm Prayer and Close

## **Profile of the Guest Speaker**

### **Revd Doug Williams**

The East-end of London has always been seen as the home of some pretty ‘dodgy geezers’, thankfully, Doug Williams is not one of them!

As the Senior Pastor of Emmanuel Christian Centre, a large and thriving inner-city church, Doug has to have a clear head and a heart for challenge.

“All the diversity that our church deals with is a constant source of... creative challenge,” Doug quips, “but I love every minute!” Training at Spurgeon’s College was a major part of his academic preparation for the task, but learning is a lifelong pursuit for this minister.

Local church work is part of the big picture of Christian leadership for Doug as he also serves his denomination, the AOG, and part of their overall National Leadership Team and until recently the Superintendent for London.

“I love the opportunity to serve in a wider context that our local church and the national and international invitations are a wonderful opportunity for me, but my heart is never far from home. The local church really is the hope of the world. Our Church seeks to be a safe place for kids, a supportive place for parents, a welcoming place for visitors, an exciting place for teenagers, a friendly place for Senior Citizens and a home for the Community. We believe that, real life is worth celebrating, so we do! With excellent music, passionate and relevant preaching, great social gatherings for food and friendship and all kinds of activity, church has never looked so good....

The music Doug refers to has been his passion for years. As a singer/songwriter and guitarist, he was the recognised public voice for the revolutionary Gospel band ‘Paradise’ in the early eighties. Their sound was funky, soulful and destined for the charts with their single “One Mind two hearts landing a top forty spot.

“My musical focus now,” says Doug, “is all about worship that is truly God-centred, and how to find and develop the ‘voice’ of our church in declaring that. Each church I know has a unique blend of people and preferences, seeing how all that gets expressed in worship is an exciting journey.”

Doug is married to Joan and they have four children.