

AS A MINISTRY TRAINEE YOU WILL:

- be appointed by one of the local churches. The precise details of your appointment will be agreed between you and the church;
- be allocated an area of practical ministry and mentored by your church;
- be enrolled on the *South Central Ministry Training Course* in Oxford. This is a one day a week bible handling course led by *Vaughan Roberts* and *Peter Comont*. For more information see southcentralmtc.org;
- attend a weekly lunch and informal afternoon session with the ministry trainees from other churches in the partnership. This will aim to provide pastoral support, deepen knowledge of the Bible and practical ministry. It is led by *Peter Comont*, with input from a range of other local and national Christian leaders;
- be encouraged to attend the *FIEC Hub Conference* and other conferences as negotiated with your local church.

All applications should be directed to individual churches.

THE OXFORD TRAINING PARTNERSHIP



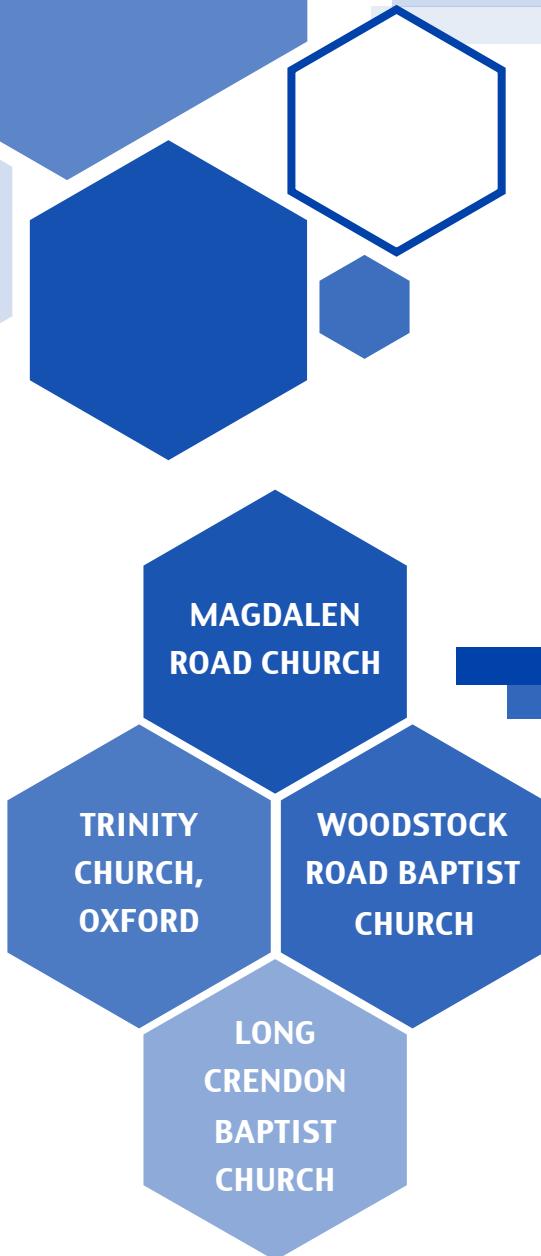
The *Oxford Training Partnership* is a collaboration by several *FIEC* churches in Oxfordshire.

It presently coordinates the training and experience provided to ministry trainees and apprentices in order to significantly enhance the benefit they derive from their experience.



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MAGDALEN ROAD CHURCH

Magdalen Road Church is a medium sized church in the heart of multicultural East Oxford. It is a lively, welcoming, dynamic, innovative and thoroughly evangelical community of believers. It is large enough to provide good support, but still small enough to treat people as individuals.

East Oxford is enormously diverse, providing opportunities to minister to Muslims, asylum seekers, students from two large universities, both undergraduates and graduates, visiting internationals from all over the world and many others. The church has established relationships with organisations such as *Friends International* and *Christians in Sport*. The church has hosted interns from these organisations.

Magdalen Road Church also has a missional small group seeking to implement church principles exemplified by the *Crowded House* network. It is called *Cowley Church Community*.

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WOODSTOCK ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Woodstock Road Baptist Church is situated just over a mile north of Oxford City Centre. We are a congregation of around 130 made up of a variety of ages and social backgrounds including young people, families and students. We have a concern for reaching the local community, a desire to train and equip the next generation to serve Christ and a long standing commitment to world mission. We are looking for a trainee who will join us for a two year period. We have a small staff team (currently just two pastors) the trainee will gain experience across the whole range of church life. We aim to tailor the program to individual needs and gifts. The role would suit somebody seriously considering a full-time Bible teaching ministry in the future.

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TRINITY CHURCH, OXFORD

Trinity Church, Oxford is a church plant which will probably not be fully functional until 2014. It will be established in the heart of the city of Oxford, serving both the university community and others in the centre. Trinity's vision is to be robustly committed to both head and heart reaching out to people from all nations, especially, but not exclusively, students. It will be led by *Peter Comont*, with *Matt Round* and *Neil Martin* as associate pastors.

Trinity is not actively recruiting ministry trainees for 2013-14, but we are happy to be approached by anyone interested, especially for 2014-15.

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LONG CRENDON BAPTIST CHURCH

Long Crendon Baptist Church is located 16 miles from Oxford close to the town of Thame. We currently have 180 members and a regular congregation of 220 (including children), around 50% of whom come from Long Crendon itself and 50% from other surrounding towns and villages. Our gospel vision is to engage with the local community; equip members to reach out to their respective communities; and enable others to do gospel work in the UK and worldwide. In the UK we are affiliated to the *FIEC* and have strong links with *Christians in Sport*; overseas we have a twinning relationship with a church in Romania and support many missionaries through *Wycliffe Bible Translators*. We have a staff of three pastors including a youth pastor who oversees our large youth and children's work.

Due to our building project and plans for pastoral succession, we are not actively recruiting ministry trainees for 2013-14 but would be pleased to hear from anyone who might be interested for 2014-15.

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