

PIONEER
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FUTURE CHURCH

PIONEER OCEANIA LEADERS CONFERENCE 2024
ON THURSDAY 11TH TO SATURDAY 13TH JULY 2024
AT 437, HUNTER STREET, NEWCASTLE. NSW. 2300.



Preparing the church and missional communities for the future and thinking through future church is key and biblical.

How do we not only survive but thrive in a rapidly changing world with AI at our fingertips?

How do we explore seamless, fruitful successions and a culture of succession planning which builds in long term health, both for the church, missional communities and personally?

How prepared do we feel for the future church maybe looking different to how it looks today?

What is non-negotiable for our unique callings?

Scripture is full of examples of leaders training their successors, including Jesus calling the apostles to be with him (Mark 3:13-14). Succession is a process rather than a single event. Let's not confuse succession with retirement. There are endless possibilities! We are ALL needed!

The Pioneer conference will include time for connection and friendship especially over the meal table, (we are relational) praise and worship led by Ella and Jacob Simpson, prayer, ministry and reflection (we are charismatic) spoken words by artist and business leader, Richard Ward, TED style talks designed to inspire, challenge and equip us (we are kingdom orientated and missional) and our stories. Linda Ward, Jacob Simpson and Rick Prosser will explore various aspects of future leadership across the generations.

We are especially thrilled to be joined by Dr Patrick Dixon who is about to release his next book in September called "Life with AI – how to survive and succeed in a super-smart world." The 28 chapters cover future AI impact in every industry, health, jobs, the workplace, cybersecurity, etc so he will help us look at future church. As well as hearing him speak, we will have the opportunity to ask him endless questions live via technology.

The conference will be based at the home of Life Church and Soul, Newcastle. The Thursday night meal, breakfasts and lunches on Friday and Saturday are all covered in the conference costs. The Friday night meal at a local restaurant will need to be paid for on the night in addition to the conference costs.

Please use the Eventbrite link to book your place. AUD\$90pp.
(Please contact us for concessions and day rate.) We hope to see you there.

If you'd like to join us on-line, please e-mail admin@pna.org.au or a livestream / zoom link and on-line booking AUS\$15pp or AUS\$40 for a watch party of three people or more (no maximum limit).

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Rick Prosser

Rick carries a great passion for Newcastle that's led to building into the fabric of Church unity. His leadership has been catalytic in pioneering church, community, and civic partnerships. His primary calling to the Hunter Region largely manifests under Kingdomworks. Partnerships with church, city and community through CityServe have mobilised thousands of volunteers and hundreds of projects to serve identified needs in Newcastle and Lake Macquarie. Civic Prayer Gatherings since 2009 in Newcastle has now been replicated in surrounding region generating significant financial support for local charities. Under Rick's Leadership Soul has become a much loved and respected charity with well over 280 volunteers and community funded.



Patrick Dixon MBE

Patrick is an author and business consultant, often described as a futurist, and chairman of the trends forecasting company Global Change Ltd. He is also founder of the international AIDS agency ACET and Chairman of the ACET International Alliance. Since the 1990s, Patrick has written over 15 books covering a wide range of issues and macro-trends, including social media, multichannel marketing, consumer shifts, demographics, rise of emerging economies, health care, biotechnology, social issues, sustainability, politics and business ethics. He is about to release another book on AI therefore his interactive contribution at this conference will be incredibly thought provoking.



Linda Ward

Linda carries experience in both not for profit and business sectors. Linda passed on the leadership of Bless Community Church in West London January 2023 which she led for 26 years on a part-time basis. She is the co-founder and co-chair of WLL (West London Leaders, a unity collaboration of over 130 church & Community leaders). She leads the Pioneer London Region, is Pioneer's National Ecumenical Lead and is supports the Pioneer International work, particularly in leading the Australian Network. She runs her own Mediation Business <https://www.flomediation.co.uk> and mentors Business Leaders.



Richard Ward

Rich trained as a graphic designer working across London in the 1980s as the creative industry was revolutionised by technology. Rich went on to lead teams as a creative director and brand consultant working with national and global brands across commercial, not-for-profit and education. In 2012, following work on the London 2012 Olympic brand, Rich founded RAW Brothers with his brother Andy. Seeking opportunities to explore what it is to make human connections, Rich was one of the founding partners of Go Human, a social enterprise, born out of a response to work culture in COVID 19. In 2016 Rich returned to his roots creating in paint, spoken word and storytelling exploring what it is to be human both spiritual and physical. He loves books and film, he describes himself as being on a life long journey discovering a Christian contemplative faith.



Ella Simpson

Ella has a real heart to get alongside those struggling living life at the edge of society. With experience both in and out of church contexts supporting those with issues in mental health, substance misuse and homelessness, she is currently working as the Dual Diagnosis Team Leader for a charity working to support adults with complex mental health and addiction issues. In her free time, she supports Bless Community Church in overseeing their worship ministry (with a real passion to support the church to live a life of 'whole life worship'!), also enjoying preaching, mentoring and championing her husband Jacob at the Basement Youth Café!

Jacob Simpson

With a heart for the young people of London and the UK, Jacob has dedicated the past 7 years to serving as a youth worker in Ealing, West London. Prior to this, he worked in the music industry as an artist. He now uses his experience and passion to empower the youth to reach their full potential in Jesus. In addition to his role as a youth worker, Jacob is also a dedicated member of the leadership team at Bless Community Church, serves as the team leader at The Basement Youth Café (basementyouth.org), and co-leads Pioneer Network's youth.

OUR PROGRAMME

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THURSDAY 11TH JULY 2024

6.00pm Evening at Life Church (BYO)

FRIDAY 12TH JULY 2024

7.00-8.30am Breakfast
9.00-10.30am Session 1
10.30-11.00am Coffee break
11.00-12.30am Session 2
12.30-2.00pm Lunch
2.00-3.30pm Session 3
3.30-4.00pm Coffee break
4.00-5.30pm Session 4
6.00pm Evening Meal out at a local restaurant

SATURDAY 13TH JULY 2024

7.00-8.30am Breakfast
9.00-10.30am Session 5
10.30-11.00am Coffee break
11.00-12.30am Session 6
12.30-2.00pm Lunch
2.00-3.30pm Session 7

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