



Workshop Session 1, choose one option:

Telling The Whole Story	"Do You Love Me?"	Why Did Jesus Die?	Can The Cross Inspire Transformational Leadership?
<p>As children's ministry leaders, we have the privilege of sharing the big story of God with children. It's important to teach Bible stories accurately, in an age-appropriate way. But how do we handle the tricky stories? How do we present Scripture in a way that invites children to encounter God for themselves without over-explaining or over simplifying it? In this workshop we will explore how we can faithfully teach the whole story of the Bible, fostering curiosity, wonder, and deep a love for God's Word.</p> <p>Facilitated by Julie McKinnon, CCCNZ Children and Family Ministries</p>	<p>This was the question Jesus asked Peter three times before commissioning his disciples with the Great Commission. Why did Jesus ask Peter this question? Perhaps he wanted Peter to understand that our motives matter just as much as our actions, as they shape the way we serve. Or perhaps he was reminding Peter that true service flows from the Father's heart for his people. How can we keep our service centred on God? We invite you to join the conversation as we explore how this takes shape in our unique life contexts.</p> <p>Facilitated by Michael Hanson, GC3</p>	<p>In 1 Corinthians 1:23, Paul describes his message this way: "we preach Christ crucified." Clearly the death of Jesus is central to Christian gospel witness. But what did the crucifixion actually achieve? This workshop will outline three answers to this question - answers proposed by Christian thinkers through the centuries - and consider what value these approaches may have for sharing the message of "Christ crucified" today.</p> <p>Facilitated by Nick Goodwin, CCCNZ Pastoral Theologians Fellowship</p>	<p>This workshop explores how Scripture encourages us to allow the Cross to shape our leadership with love, integrity and accountability. Are our methods enhancing our eldership oversight or just offering superficial transparency? Do our church policies reflect the grace and justice of the cross, or do they expose hypocrisy? As Christian leaders, how do we balance our commitment to God's Word with modern challenges, including government policies that may conflict with our faith?</p> <p>Facilitated by Jan De Lange, CCCNZ National Advisor</p>

Workshop Session 2, choose one option:

How Can We Influence Youth And Young Adults' Beliefs About Wisdom And Power?	"Why Are We Here?"	Identifying Cross-Shaped Leaders	Kids Need To Sniff!	The Message Of The Cross Shapes Prayer
<p>Most research indicates youth and young adults derive wisdom or truth from social media and other online resources. Parents and the Church rarely appear to be sources of wisdom or power for many young people. Yet, in 1 Corinthians 1:24 Paul states that true wisdom and power are only found in Christ. We'll ask: what constitutes wisdom and power for youth and young adults in our churches? And how can the Church convey that true wisdom and power are found solely in Christ?</p> <p>Facilitated by Craig Barrow, CCCNZ Youth and Young Adults</p>	<p>Well, it depends on who you ask. Is it to marry, have children, and continue the human race? To work? To seek pleasure? According to Ecclesiastes, we live in a world filled with vanity, futility, and frustration. So... what are we saved for? What are we saved to? Is it enough to simply live a good life? And what does a 'good life' even mean? We invite you to join the conversation as we explore these questions together and seek a meaningful response—one that lasts forever.</p> <p>Facilitated by Wendy and John Buchanan, GC3</p>	<p>Most CCCNZ churches want to train emerging leaders—if only they could find them! Together, we will explore how to identify leaders from within your own ranks, drawing insights from church leaders with a track record of picking and preparing others for cruciform service. Plus, this workshop will provide a listening forum for how churches and Pathways Bible College can continue to work together to form trainees for cross-shaped leadership.</p> <p>Facilitated by Richard Goodwin, Pathways College of Bible and Mission</p>	<p>Our lives shining the light of Jesus can be received as a sweet perfume, yet others will think it stinks! Either way we need to sincerely spread the knowledge of Jesus. 45% of kids in Rally come from homes that don't recognise Jesus. Rally could be an essential ministry in your church for reaching more kids and families. Wouldn't it be exciting to see kids saved and families joining our churches? Come take a glimpse into what NZ Rally has to offer in the way of preparing kids for life—life with Jesus and life for others.</p> <p>Facilitated by Tony Foster, NZ Rally</p>	<p>If you have ever felt unsure of what to pray, we'd love for you to join us in this session. Working through guided questions and group discussions, we'll consider how the message of the cross is the power of God and how this practically impacts prayer.</p> <p>Facilitated by Bruce Middleton (elder and prayer ministry leader) and Chris Dale (member of the prayer ministry leadership team) both from The Coast Community Church, Kāpiti.</p>