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restoring the Church to its roots

*Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations (Isaiah 58:12)*

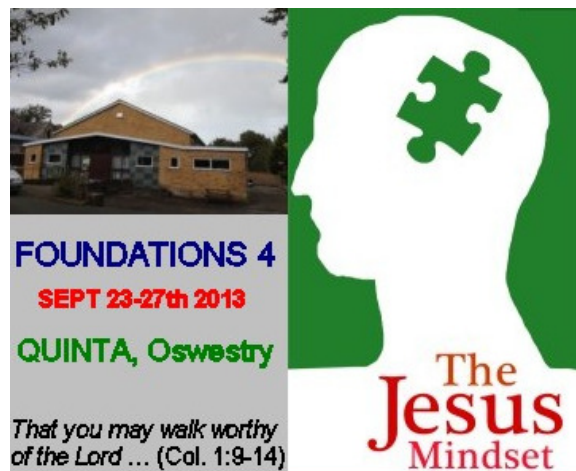
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2013

A weekday residential conference

Quinta Christian Centre, Quinta Hall, Weston Rhyn, Oswestry SY10 7LR

## FOUNDATIONS 4

# The Jesus Mindset



## INTRODUCTION PACK

[www.foundationsconferences.com](http://www.foundationsconferences.com)

## FOUNDATIONS VISION

We are a group of ordinary Christians who are fed up with much of what we see around us in the mainstream Church and think it's about time that we returned to sound Biblical teaching and thinking. Our conferences are not like any other - we believe that Christian gatherings should be times of real fellowship, real growth and real joy, underpinned by authentic teaching and true worship in mind, body and spirit. *Foundations is different - it breaks the mould of Christian conferences.*

## FOUNDATIONS 4 CONFERENCE

Our foundational verses will be Colossians 1:9-14, ... *That you may walk worthy of the Lord* ... and this conference is to examine the mindset of Jesus in a whole range of areas of our life and thinking, from family, to the Bible, to work and the Church in its relationship to the World. Our aim is for every delegate to be valued and encouraged.

## PAST CONFERENCES

### FOUNDATIONS 1: "Calling all Pioneers"

Last January we held our first conference, Foundations 1. It was held over a weekend, also at Quinta, and attracted 55 people. It was a roaring success and the vast majority of delegates voted for more and more conferences.

Here are some comments ... *brill weekend ... when and where is the next one? ... God is doing a very special thing ... a great God-inspired idea ... a new way of seeing things ... being part of something new and significant ... I was very blessed ... the presence of the Lord was very much in evidence ...*

### FOUNDATIONS 2: "Holydays - holidays"

130+ people came to Quinta for 5 days in October. We knew that God was going to do something special when we saw the rainbow over the conference hall, just before the start of the conference. Here are some comments from delegates:

*"Just wanted to say a GREAT BIG thanks to you both for a brilliant conference! You have all worked SO hard to give us all a wonderful feast of knowledge and information and so much more! It was so full of variety and thought-provoking stuff! What wonderful value for money!! Bless you both"*

*"Great job with the conference, really great job. Hope you know how good it was and that you're feeling encouraged."*

*"... the very important pioneering role that has been made to getting the conference off the ground in the first place. What I liked most was the opportunity to meet with like minded people and especially their desire to impart what they had learned to others. Learning about the other ministries was also helpful and inspiring ... overall I was really encouraged by the desire to put into practice what we have learned through reaching out to the Christian constituency as well"*

### FOUNDATIONS 3: "Church: Lost & Found"

*"At the Foundations 3 Conference they opened up the worship time so that anyone could share ... People from the congregation freely shared from Scripture – the Prophets, and Psalms, some chose to sing, dance, speak gentle words of encouragement, and sharing in various ways. It reminded me very much of the simple house church setting we attended many years ago, and brought back some sweet memories of deeply loving and loved brethren who are now with the Lord ... I encourage Christians of all churches and denominations to come and meet these folk. ... I enjoy these times of teaching and fellowship immensely. There were a number of new faces at Foundations 3, and I pray we will see even more at Foundations 4. Support for this work...this movement, needs to grow until it reaches the whole nation, and then out to wherever the Spirit of God takes it, building on the foundation of love as laid down by our Lord Himself. "By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one for another." (John 13:35; cf John 17). 'Foundations' is as much about the walk as it is about the talk. (Malcolm Baker)*

## FOUNDATIONS 4

### The weekend will include:

- A balanced week to feed the mind, body and spirit, also realising that these are precious times of fellowship and new relationships.
- Teaching by a variety of informed communicators, including Steve Maltz (author of To Life!, How the Church Lost The Way and many other books), covering six different topics, but all linked by focussing on the Jesus (Hebraic) mindset.
- Either just soak in the discussions and teaching, or bring your gifts and knowledge and take a more active role. Then there will be opportunity to learn new skills in our daily workshops. Expect the unexpected as the Holy Spirit leads us into exciting places. There will be many opportunities for sharing.
- Come as an individual or a church group and benefit from mixing with like-minded Christians from a variety of fellowships.
- Plenty of time for prayer, reflection, discussion, games and sport, or just chilling out, making use of the variety of indoors and outdoors facilities available at Quinta.
- Workshops could include dance, drama, music, worship, art, advocacy, spiritual gifts.
- Celebration of Simchat Torah – the Celebration of God's Word – in a unique way.
- Exhibition room with Christian resources from a variety of ministries.

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### WHAT IS THE COST?

The cost is **£200** (all inclusive) – or **£20** a day for day visitors (meals cost extra) There are concessions available for the low-waged (please don't be afraid to ask) and special discounts for family rooms and small single-sex dormitories (mainly bunk beds but with wash basins in room).

### WHAT IS THE BENEFIT?

- To meet like-minded people
- To experience true fellowship, for those who may currently be un-churched
- To return to a true practical Biblical understanding of our World today
- To be introduced to resources that will help you to grow in your Christian walk
- To chill out and have fun in beautiful surroundings

All this, and ...

- All meals provided (including three refreshment breaks daily)
- Accommodation provided within the conference centre
- Course notes provided
- Full use of Quinta facilities – see [www.quinta.org](http://www.quinta.org)

## **CONFERENCE PROGRAMME (subject to tweaking)**

### **MONDAY:**

**2-5pm** Arrival and registration  
**6:00pm** Introduction  
**6:30pm** Supper  
**8:00pm** Sharing/worship/prayers  
**10:00pm** Tea/Coffee

### **TUESDAY - THURSDAY**

**7am** Prayers  
**8am** Breakfast  
**9:30am** Teaching  
**10:30am** Tea/Coffee  
**11:15am** Small groups  
**12:30pm** Lunch  
**1:45pm** Workshops  
**2:45pm** Free time (also tea/coffee) – walks, tennis, scrabble etc.  
**5:00pm** Workshops  
**6pm** Supper  
**7:30pm** Worship/Teaching  
**9:00pm** Small groups  
**10:00pm** Tea/Coffee

### **FRIDAY**

**7am** Prayers  
**8am** Breakfast  
**9:30am** Sharing/worship/prayers  
**10:30am** Tea/Coffee  
**11:00am** Sharing/worship/prayers  
**12:30pm** Lunch  
**1:00pm** Finish

## OTHER THINGS YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW

- Hopefully you'll agree that the cost of the weekend is very reasonable. One reason is that Quinta is a tad more basic than other pricier Christian conference centres. Although some rooms are ensuite, most are not, though all have basins. Also you'll have to bring your own towels and soap and bed linen (though that can be provided by Quinta for a £6 surcharge). Having said that, the standard of cleanliness is very high, the staff are very responsive and the facilities in the conference centre include a pool table and table football! (There's also an outside pool for the warmer times of the year).
- Quinta is usually inhabited by Church groups or youth groups, which means that the bedrooms are arranged accordingly. This means that many rooms have double and single beds, even bunk beds in a few cases. This gives us a unique challenge as we will be folk from all over the place who in most cases will not know each other. Yet we need to fill up the bedrooms in the most efficient manner. So ...
  - Married couples in a double or twin room will not find themselves sharing their room with any others (unless they have other family members who don't mind sharing – that would certainly help us!)
  - If you are coming with friend(s) (of the same sex), expect to be sharing a room with them (in single beds!)
  - If you are coming by yourself we would ideally need you to share a room with a stranger, although we will take age and compatibility into consideration, according to the information you send us. If this is a REAL problem then we can accommodate a small number in their own rooms, but there will be a single room supplement of £40 to pay.
- If you plan to come by public transport, the nearest station is Gobowen, which is about 3 miles away. There are regular trains to Gobowen from Birmingham, Cardiff, Shrewsbury, Chester and Holyhead. More at <http://ojp.nationalrail.co.uk/service/ldbboard/dep/GOB> . Free shuttle service available from station – arrange with us beforehand!
- If the costs of the conference are a bit high for you – particularly if you are coming as a family or a church group – there are some lower-cost options, involving the availability of cheaper accommodation in the grounds for small groups or families. Please enquire – we would love to see these rooms filled and are sure we can offer them at an affordable price.
- We are also happy to provide concessions, a result of all able-bodied delegates assisting in a small way at lunch and refreshment breaks (very good bonding exercise – very Hebraic!). This allows us to qualify for catering discounts and pass on all savings into a bursary fund that we can use to provide concessions to some of you – please do not be afraid to ask about this – we are reasonable people! In short, we don't want money to be an issue if you feel God calling you to come to the conference. We ask you to pray about these things so that we can get this to work without causing financial problems for ourselves!

## BOOKING FORM

Please fill out this form, tear it out and post it with a deposit of **£50 per person** (made out to 'Saltshakers') to **Saltshakers, PO BOX 2215, ILFORD, Essex IG1 9TR**. The balance would need to be paid by the end of August. **ALTERNATIVELY YOU CAN PAY BY CREDIT/DEBIT CARD BY PHONING US ON 0208 551 1719 OR THROUGH OUR SECURE WEB PAGE AT <http://wwwFOUNDATIONSconferences.com>**

If you have any questions regarding this form (or anything else relevant) you may email us at [steve@saltshakers.com](mailto:steve@saltshakers.com) or phone us up on 020 8551 1719

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**PLEASE FILL OUT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH MEMBER OF YOUR PARTY**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MARITAL STATUS: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (mobile)

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU WANT TO HIRE BED LINEN (£6 single, £12 double)? : \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU NEED A LIFT FROM GOBOWEN STATION? : \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT FOUNDATIONS?

WHO ELSE IS IN YOUR PARTY?

ROOM REQUIREMENTS:  
(i.e. willingness to share room)

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS:  
(i.e. allergies etc)

COMMENTS: