

# **Healing the Wounds of Trauma**

## **How the Church can help**

**Daytime Conference April 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> 2008 10am to 6pm**  
**at Cornerstone Christian Centre, 21A The Mall, Bromley BR1 1TR LONDON**  
**with Margaret Hill, trainer, and Richard Bagge, Psychiatrist, SIL**

In many parts of the world today, ethnic conflict and civil disturbances, crime and natural disasters have left people traumatised. Many of those affected are Christians, and the Church has a clear responsibility and role to care for them. Beyond the Church doors, Christians are to be light and salt in the world, particularly important in times of conflict and suffering. **"Healing the wounds of Trauma"** is a practical and Biblical training course for Church leaders and those with pastoral responsibility. The course was first used in North West DR Congo in May 2001 and has since been held in many war torn or post conflict regions of Africa. It is essential for those who are called upon to help members in their congregations who have experienced major trauma such as through war, criminal activity or natural disaster.

**For the first time this training, with seminars and interactive workshops, has been available in the UK and, on this occasion, priority free places will be given to those Church leaders with a significant congregation who have fled conflict.**

### **If God loves us, why do we suffer?**

Can the wounds of our hearts be healed?

#### **What happens when someone is grieving?**

How can we support children who have experienced conflict?

#### **How can we help those who have been raped?**

How can a Church minister in the midst of AIDS?

#### **How can we forgive others?**

What about caring for the caregiver!

**Opening address by Rev Hugh Osgood,**  
**Churches in Communities and Charis Communications**

An exciting **children's holiday club** with art, crafts, music and games will be run by experienced children's workers, alongside the conference, for children of delegates and conference staff.

Book now to secure your place as places are limited to 40.  
Contact Sue on 07983532933 or email [sue@ecsr.org.uk](mailto:sue@ecsr.org.uk) for further details.

<b>Booking form "Healing the wounds of trauma" April 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> 2008</b>
Name (s)
Address
Telephone
Email, if applicable
Church position held
Relevant general information regarding your congregation (e.g. predominant countries of origin)
First language
Proficiency in English (the course will be taught in English on this occasion)
If your children would like to take part in the Holiday club (only available to delegates or conference staff) please give children's names and ages. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.
We will send you information of reasonably priced local accommodation or hosting arrangements (with local church members) for the duration of the conference if you request. Delete as appropriate.
I have accommodation in London / I do <u>not</u> have accommodation in London, please send me details of options available

Voluntary contribution £30 for the week to cover refreshments and lunch.

Return your completed booking form to:

Enoch Kunarajah, ECSR Project Coordinator via 21A The Mall, Bromley, BR1 1TR  
or via email [enoch@ecsr.org.uk](mailto:enoch@ecsr.org.uk).

Please do not book a place that you cannot fill, as places are limited.