

Kingsbridge and District Churches Gathering

You are warmly invited to join us for our

Fifth Annual Bible Weekend

17th - 19th October 2025 with Bishop James Grier & Revd. Dr. Liz Grier

"FLAWED BUT CHOSEN"

**Lessons in discipleship, faith & failure
from some of the people closest to Jesus**

What's it all about?

- *Why did Jesus choose such flawed disciples?*
- *How were the disciples changed by their encounter with Jesus?*
- *What can their example mean for us as equally flawed disciples?*

Come along to the Bible Weekend to find out more.



Introducing James:

James has been Bishop of Plymouth for 3 years. He loves his job, not only because he's a Plymouth lad but also because his episcopal area covers the whole of south west Devon, including the South Hams, Torbay & most of Dartmoor. What better place is there to be a bishop?

Introducing Liz:

Liz started out as a scientist, became a professional musician & is now a theologian. She's currently an associate lecturer at St. Mellitus, Plymouth, whilst also studying for a PhD looking at forgiveness in the psalms.

Together James & Liz have written a book entitled "*Normal Imperfect Heroes - the 'failures' God used to teach us about leadership*". James started writing it on his own but failed, so Liz rewrote it with him. Their teaching at the Bible Weekend will build on some of the material from the book.

Copies of the book can now be ordered from WORDWISE, Fore Street, our own Christian Resource Centre.

As we come together as Christians to share our excitement & passion for God's Word, we hope to see ourselves afresh as part of the story of God's mission in Kingsbridge & the South Hams, & how we can play our part together in his purposes. Do come and join us!

In preparation for the Bible Weekend, why not join us for continental breakfast and prayer, to pray for the weekend & our local churches on

Saturday, October 11th: Prayer breakfast at South Hams Christian Fellowship, Fore Street, Kingsbridge.

8.00 - 9.30am Join us for breakfast & prayer.

Please register for this event even if you are unable to attend the Bible Weekend - instructions below.

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Programme for the weekend

In each session there will be inspiring worship, fellowship & Biblical exposition from Bishop James or Liz

Friday October 17th: St. Edmund's Church, Fore Street, Kingsbridge

7.00 - 8.30pm Session 1: "*Andrew - when your brother gets all the attention*" (Jn 1. 35-42) with Bishop James. Followed by refreshments, fellowship & prayer. Featuring special guests *The Salcombe Gospel Choir*.

Saturday, October 18th: Kingsbridge Methodist Church, Fore Street, Kingsbridge

9.30 -11.00am Session 2: "*Mary - when God takes over your life*" (Lk 1 v. 26-38) with Bishop James.

11.00 -11.30am Refreshments

11.30 -1.00pm Workshop (open to all). "*The quiet revival & sharing our faith*" led by Bishop James & Liz.

1.00 - 2.15pm Lunch *Please bring your own packed lunch, or there are plenty of options in Fore St.*

2.15 - 4.00pm Session 3: "*Simon Peter - leading impulsively & wholeheartedly*" (Lk.5. 1 -11) with Bishop James.

4.00 - 4.30pm Refreshments and close.

Sunday, October 19th: Kingsbridge Family Church, Fore Street, Kingsbridge

10.30 - 12.00 Morning Service including Session 4: "*Thomas - more than a nickname*" (John 20:24-28) with Revd. Dr. Liz Grier.

Registration - how to book

Please register by completing a Registration Form, even if you are intending to attend only one session, and/or the prayer breakfast. There are several ways to access a Registration Form, either as hard copy or electronically. They are available in each church, on their social media sites, and at Wordwise. You can request a form from Revd John Corrie at revjohncorrie@gmail.com and return it to him. Hard copies may be handed in to your church leaders, or posted to Revd John Corrie, Brambles, Higher Batson, Salcombe TQ8 8NF. If you do not have internet access or a mobile phone, you can book by landline to Robin Brett (01548 856079) or write to him at 4 Washabrook Way, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1RJ.

There is no charge for the weekend but donations towards the cost of the weekend will be welcome. For example, for the whole weekend a contribution of around £10 would help us meet our expenses. No contribution is expected from those with limited means. Online donations may be made to: Kingsbridge and District Churches Gathering, sort code 30-98-97 account number 54894363. Please label it "Bible W/e".