

MTS RECRUIT 2024 | VICTORIA



Consider the challenge
to gospel work 

Friday 1st Nov – Sunday 3rd Nov, 2024 | TIM GRANT

**“For we are His workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for
good works.”**

EPHESIANS 2:10

My Conference Page

Please log in to your Conference page at mtsrecruit.com/conference to access all of your conference information, including the timetable, peer group allocations, mentoring information, ministry expo videos, and more!



Shared in the ministry expo videos are stories of diverse individuals from across the globe, each with a story of how God diverted their plans to be on Jesus' mission full time. As they share God's story in their lives, we pray you will be inspired and challenged to consider how God might use your life for Jesus' Kingdom.

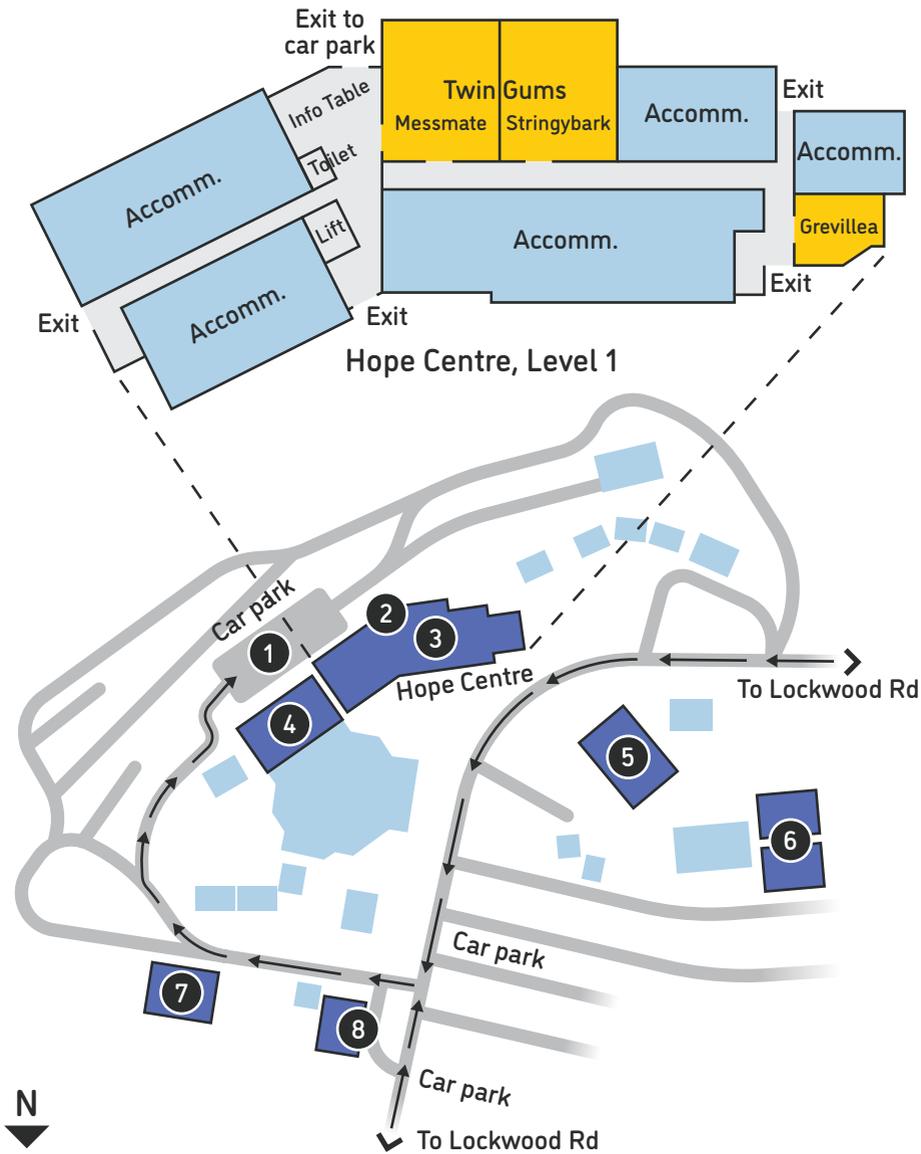
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Site Maps

Emergency map





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| 1 Parking closest to check-in | 4 Dining Room | 7 Play Centre |
| 2 Info Table / Check-In (L1) | 5 Recreation Hall | 8 Reception |
| 3 Hope Centre meeting rooms and accomm. (L1-2) | 6 Meeting Rooms 2-4 | |



Welcome

with James Hoey

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.”

ROMANS 12:1

Gospel ministry is done in light of and in response to the gospel of Jesus. God’s kindness, love, and mercy are clearly seen in the justification of sinners like you and me through the death and resurrection of Christ. We are to give of ourselves, our lives, our ambitions, our bodies as a living, continual sacrifice to God.

We want to see many come to know God’s goodness and mercy in Jesus, and we want to be faithful with the gifts, talents, and abilities that God has given us to serve Him.

That’s what MTS Recruit is all about: seeing the gospel of Jesus clearly, prayerfully considering how we might live our lives in light of the gospel, and taking steps towards that end for the glory of God.

We want to:



Inspire people to prayerfully engage in winning the world for Christ, by multiplying Gospel Workers through ministry apprenticeships (Matthew 9:35-38 & 2 Tim 2:2)



Gather Christians locally and globally, under God, as a fellowship such that Jesus' total Lordship challenges us all to be profoundly mission-focused with our whole lives.



Gather in the hope that:

- a. Godly men and women will be challenged to undertake a ministry apprenticeship in the next 4 years
 - b. Christian leaders in Australia will enthusiastically recruit and train ministry apprentices for the nations and the glory for Christ, and
 - c. Christian leaders around the world will be encouraged to start or keep growing ministry apprentice training movements wherever they are.
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We want to be encouraging people, wherever God places them, to keep on preaching Jesus Christ as Lord for 'the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few' (Matthew 9:37).



James Hoey

MTS Director of Partnerships

On behalf of the MTS Vic Recruit Committee,
James Hoey, Geoff Hall, and Josh Allen

Helpful Information



Info Table

The Info Table is located at the entrance to the Hope Centre from the carpark. Please visit the Info Table for any enquiries including:

- Check-in upon arrival
- Lost property
- Directions
- Provision of medical assistance or first aid



First Aid

If you require medical assistance or first aid please alert someone at the Info Table or call 0431 969 516. Call (000) in an emergency.



Lost Property

Please visit the Info Table.



Name Tags

Please wear your name tag at all times. It makes it much easier for people to meet you and for you to meet other people! If you lose your name tag please visit the Info Table.



Accessing Information Online

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Accomodation

Attendees are staying in the accomodation in the Hope Centre (Level 1). Please refer to the site map.



Meals

All meals are served in the Dining Room. If you have special dietary requirements and cannot find your appropriate meal please ask one of the catering staff.



Internet

There is free Wi-Fi access available to attendees of MTS Recruit.

- Wi-Fi name: Guest
- Password: 2024BHCguest



All-In Sessions Recordings

All-In Sessions will be recorded and available on the MTS website (mts.com.au) after the Conference.



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Speaker Profile



Tim Grant



Tim Grant is married to Belinda and has four young children. After working in local government as a Town Planner, Tim retrained for gospel ministry by studying at both Moore Theological College in Sydney and Ridley College in Melbourne.

Tim is the founding Pastor of Grace Christian Community in Box Hill South (founded 2012). Tim is passionate about equipping others for ministry. He believes that all Christians are called to minister, not just those in leadership. Grace has seen a number of men and women equipped for gospel ministry through MTS apprenticeships. Through his leadership, Tim encourages believers to recognize that ministry is for every Christian, and that leaders are there to help others minister.

Along with spending time with his family Tim enjoys watching NBA, riding his bike and his beloved Tottenham Hotspurs.

All-In Sessions

All-In 1: A Love Letter



Date/Time: Friday 1 Nov 2024, 8.00pm

Speaker: Tim Grant

Bible Passage: 2 Corinthians 1:12–2:4

1. United in mutual pride (1:12–14)
2. United in the certainty of Christ (1:15–22)
3. United in the ministry for your joy (1:23–2:4)

All-In 2: How to Judge a Ministry



Date/Time: Saturday 2 Nov 2024, 9.00am

Speaker: Tim Grant

Bible Passage: 2 Corinthians 3:1–18

1. Commending gospel ministry

2. Competence for gospel ministry

3. The glory of gospel ministry

4. Boldness for gospel ministry

All-In 3: The Road to Glory



Date/Time: Saturday 2 Nov 2024, 7.30am

Speaker: Tim Grant

Bible Passage: 2 Corinthians 4:7–18

1. Paul's weakness displays Christ
2. Paul continues to speak for the sake of God's glory
3. Paul does not give up for the sake of the Glory to come

All-In 4: Seize the Coming Day



Date/Time: Sunday 3 Nov 2024, 11.00am

Speaker: Tim Grant

Bible Passage: 2 Corinthians 5

1. Caught between two homes (5:1–5)
2. Living to please the Lord (6–10)
3. Trying to persuade people (11–15)
4. Ambassadors of God's reconciliation (16–21)

Personal Reflection

We understand that MTS Recruit is a big weekend and can get a little overwhelming if you don't pause, breathe and reflect. So we've inserted these pages as a reminder for you to take time out during the Conference to read your Bible, reflect on what God has been teaching you and pray that He might lead you to do the good works He has prepared for you to do.



Delegate Peer Groups

At MTS Recruit, we're a fellowship of believers who are all at different stages of living lives that reflect Jesus' total Lordship.

Although we all sit under God's word together in the Morning Focus (All-In) and All-In Sessions, in Peer Groups we'll also gather with others at a similar stage of thinking about life and ministry as ourselves.

A Delegate Peer Group is a small group of people who come together to work through passages from the Bible and pray, encouraging and challenging each other as they consider their future in ministry.

Delegate Peer Groups are led by Bible college students, ministry workers and current MTS Apprentices, and are organised around the Delegate's stage of ministry thinking that is categorised into one of four 'Strands':

Strand 1: 'I love serving Jesus but I haven't really thought about doing gospel work.'

Strand 2: 'I have done some thinking about doing gospel work (maybe been to a conference/info day) but have no definite plans.'

Strand 3: 'I'm keen to pursue gospel work through an MTS apprenticeship but likely not in the next year.'

Strand 4: 'I'm planning to start an MTS apprenticeship in 2025.'

Please refer to your Strand booklet for all your Strand Session material. We hope you will enjoy meeting other Delegates in your Peer Group and that it will help you take that next step in considering full-time ministry!

Location: Peer Groups can meet in Grevillea, the Hope Centre L1 lobby and L2 nook, Meeting Rooms 2-4, or outdoors! (See the map)

Passing the Baton Peer Groups

Team Leader: Russ Smidt and Clare Merkel

Location: Twin Gums Room



An important part of the MTS Recruit conference is gathering the network of men and women who are engaged in ministry recruiting and training of others.

Some are engaged in formal ways as an MTS Trainer or Gospel Worker, some are less formal as a Ministry Spouse in a support role, and some will be doing this in the future (current MTS Apprentices and Bible College students).

The Passing the Baton Peer Groups and Workshops are for those at MTS Recruit who are not part of a Delegate Peer Group. This is an opportunity to catch-up with old friends, make new ones, and spur one another on in ministry recruiting and training of others.

Saturday

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| 11:00am | Passing The Baton All-In Seminar |
| 11:30am | Passing The Baton Peer Groups |
| 3:30pm | Passing The Baton All-In Workshops |

Sunday

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| 9:00am | Passing The Baton Peer Groups |
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At registration everyone was invited to join one of these peer groups. All peer group categories are suitable for men and women (except Ministry Wives - women only).

MTS Champions

Are you responsible for overseeing and ‘championing’ MTS at your church/ministry? Share with and learn from others who stir this vision and carry this responsibility.

MTS Trainers

Are you recruiting and training (or wanting to train) an apprentice? Network with fellow trainers, sharpen your training focus and spur each other on.

Training Women

Are you wanting to recruit and train more women in your ministry? Are you trying to work out how to train women well without a dedicated or experienced female trainer? Learn from one another to mobilise the people and resources you have for training women in safe and healthy ministries.

Ministry Wives

Are you caught up in the special joy of recruiting and supporting the training of apprentices because your husband is a trainer? What opportunities have you found to train alongside your responsibilities as a worker and/or raising a ministry family? Meet with other women who are living this out.

College Students & MTS Apprentices

You are committed to recruiting and training apprentices. What can you be doing to invest in this and prepare for this while you are being trained in ministry as an apprentice and theological student? Spur one another on in impacting your current church and never losing the vision for passing the baton to others.

Mentoring

Mentoring Times:

Saturday: 5.00-6.00pm



We want you to have a bigger picture of what God is doing in the world. Even more than that, we want to help you think hard about your place in that picture. Mentoring is designed to help encourage you to live your whole life for Jesus Christ. It is a time for you to meet one-on-one with a Christian currently in full-time ministry.

This mentoring session is a chance for you to reflect on what you have been learning about gospel ministry, think about how you're living now and ask all your questions. It will allow you to consider together what your next step in serving Jesus could involve. Before you get there, you might like to pray that God will use this time to grow you as a disciple of Jesus for his glory.



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Remember to complete your pre-mentoring questionnaire via your online Conference Page so your Mentor can know how to best use your time together.

If you didn't get the chance to fill in the pre-mentoring questionnaire, it would be good to spend some time thinking about these questions before you meet your Mentor:

1. How many MTS Recruiting conferences have you attended (including this one)?
2. How did you become a Christian?
3. Why did you decide to join MTS Recruit this year?
4. How have you seen God grow you at church or university ministry this year?
5. What opportunities do you currently have in serving in gospel ministry?
6. What opportunities, if any, are you hoping to have in gospel ministry in the future?
7. What excites you about gospel ministry?
8. Have you thought about a ministry apprenticeship?
9. Have you thought about doing cross-cultural mission?
10. Who is training you or talking to you about ministry?
11. Are there any additional comments/questions you would like to share with your MTS Recruit mentor?

If you have not been contacted by your Mentor to arrange a time to meet before the start of the Conference, please contact them directly using the information on your online Conference Page or come and speak to Daniel Douch at the Info Table.

Electives

Saturday

1.30–3.00pm



Electives are a chance for you to have your most pressing questions about vocational ministry answered by those who have had to answer them themselves. Each of these topics are sure to produce some stimulating discussions and hopefully give some clarity as you consider your next step in serving Jesus.



1. Family and Ministry Life – How to Not Ruin Either!

PRESENTERS: DAVE AND JAN MARTIN

Description: We plan to share some thoughts on family and ministry life and how not to ruin either. We'll discuss some of your fears about entering into full time ministry and the impact that may have on family life. But also help you see some of the blessings that being in ministry creates for your family. If time allows we will have a separated time for fathers and mothers.



2. Work vs. Ministry

PRESENTER: VICTOR KHOR

Description: What's the difference between secular work and gospel ministry? To understand these differences, we need to understand what work is. And to truly grasp what work is, we need to ask, "What is God's work?"

Come to this elective to think theologically about work, as we look into God's Word to understand God's work, which shapes our work – paid or unpaid, secular work or gospel ministry! We will spend good time together in Ephesians and Genesis, as we tackle this important part of our lives that occupies the majority of our waking hours. We'll have lots of time for discussion in small groups and a Q&A at the end too. Come and experience a significant mind shift as you let God's Word shape your work.

Victor serves with AFES, supporting Christian Union clubs at Melbourne University and Monash University (Parkville). He grew immensely through a ministry traineeship at St Helens Bishopsgate church in London and theological training at Moore College.



3. Weakness in Ministry

PRESENTER: MEZ WICKS

Description: We don't often describe people who should go into full time ministry as weak. When we think about our own limitations and challenges in life, we can view them as something that needs to be overcome before we can start serving. We can look at the ministry of others and compare ourselves, as we wonder if we could do a better job. But is this how we should be thinking about weakness in the Christian life and in ministry?

This elective will consider how we understand our own limitations, weaknesses, and challenges in life. Asking if our limitations could be good for us. And how can we join Paul in boasting in our weaknesses. Flowing out of 2 Corinthians and Paul's understanding of his ministry and the challenges he faced.

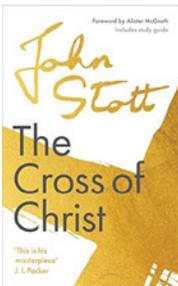
Come along as we discuss how God uses our weakness in ministry for the good of others and ourselves. And Think about how we should evaluate the challenges that come in life as we consider future ministry possibilities. Considering together if weakness is not only part of ministry but if our weakness is necessary for ministry.

Book Recommendations

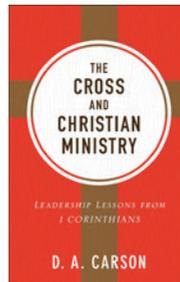
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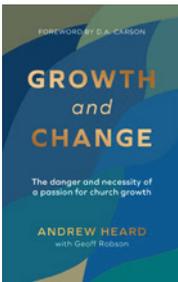
You can start with these carefully selected recommendations, helping you take your next step with Jesus after MTS Recruit.



“The Cross of Christ”
John Stott



“The Cross and Christian Ministry”
D.A. Carson



“Growth and Change”
Andrew Heard



“Eager to Serve”
Ray Galea

Explore more from our curated collection!



MTS Recruit Partners

MTS Recruit has partnered with other Ministry Organisations, each of them sharing the same commitment to raise up the next generation of Gospel Workers. We are so thankful to our MTS Recruit Partners and the work they are doing under God, and hope that as you explore their ministries, you gain a clearer understanding of the endless ways you can use your life for Jesus' Kingdom.



Please give us your feedback to help us keep improving MTS Recruit!

Scan the QR code to submit your feedback.





MTS Recruit Vic 2025

Save the Date

Friday 31st Oct – Sunday 2nd Nov 2025

Upper Plenty Conference Centre | Rory Shiner





1-3 November 2024

FRIDAY 1/11

18:30 Check-in
20:00 All-In Session 1
21:30 Supper

SATURDAY 2/11

8:00 Breakfast
9:00 All-In Session 2
10:30 Morning Tea
11:00 Peer Group Sessions 1&2
12:30 Lunch
13:30 Electives
15:00 Afternoon Tea
15:30 Peer Group Session 3
17:00 Mentoring / Free Time
18:00 Dinner
19:30 All-In Session 3
21:00 Supper

SUNDAY 3/11

8:00 Breakfast
9:00 Peer Group Session 4
10:30 Morning Tea
11:00 All-In Session 4
12:30 Lunch
13:30 Finish