

# THE WEST TRUST

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Ministry Training Academy  
2025-2026 Programme

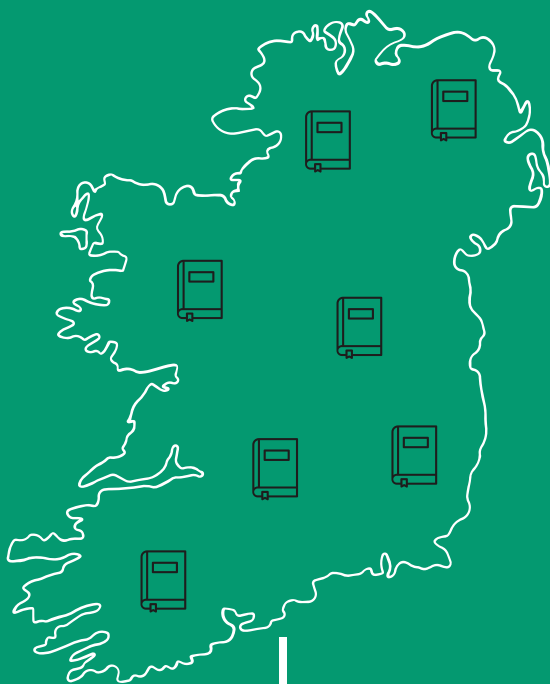
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# OUR MISSION

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What we want to do

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We support churches by training people  
for gospel ministry in Ireland & beyond

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# WHO ARE WE?

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and what do we do?

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Since its inception in 2016, the West Trust has been supporting potential ordinands for full time ministry in Ireland. In 2024 we sensed a need to prepare and encourage the whole church for this task. Today the MTA exists to see more people in word ministry (serving) in Ireland and beyond.

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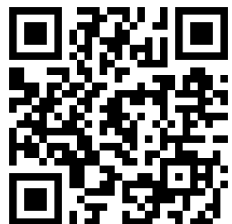
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# WHAT WE OFFER

SIGN UP TO ALL COURSES ON OUR WEBSITE

[WWW.WEST-TRUST-MTA.COM](http://WWW.WEST-TRUST-MTA.COM)

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# YOUTH

**Who is this for?** The events '**Beyond**' and '**Reboot Ireland**' are for all young people aged 11-18. There is a cost to attend, and require separate registration.

**Leadership training** is a one year course over 2 teaching days for anyone aged 16-18. This course is designed to prepare those who are just beginning to get more involved in the life of the church. Each session will give practical skills to young people, helping them to think about why we serve, how we serve, what a leader looks like, and what is involved in serving in the church.

**Cost:** £25 or leadership sessions (food provided)

## 2025

20 September

Saturday 8:00pm-10:00pm

### BEYOND

Calling and equipping young people to make Jesus known in their schools, communities and beyond.

19 October

Saturday 2:00pm-8:00pm

### LEADERSHIP TRAINING 1

## 2026

7 February

Saturday 2:00pm-8:00pm

### REBOOT IRELAND

A day for young people aged 11- 18, focused on asking big questions. The day will be filled with engaging games, great music, free dinner.

28 March

Saturday 2:00pm-8:00pm

### LEADERSHIP TRAINING 2

# FOUNDATIONS COURSE

**Who is this for?** This course is put together with the whole church in mind. It may especially appeal to those who are involved in serving in the church and are keen to have a better understanding of the bible.

**Cost:** £25 (In person and online)

## 2025

6th Oct – 1st Dec  
Tuesdays 7:30pm–9:00pm

### BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

The books of the bible do not stand alone, but fit within the big picture of the biblical storyline. Discover how the whole bible fits together to enrich your personal reading and ministry as you bring Christ to bear on each passage.

## 2026

20th Jan – 24th Mar  
Tuesdays 7:30pm–9:00pm

### CORE DOCTRINES

A chance to spend some time thinking about core christian teachings from the doctrine of the trinity, all the way to questions on angels and demons.

14th Apr – 28th Apr  
Tuesdays 7:30pm–9:00pm

### PRACTICAL SKILLS

In these final sessions we begin thinking through how you can play your part in the local church through some practical workshops.

# MINISTRY TRAINING COURSE

**Who is this for?** This is a 2 year course that is ideal for those who want to gain a better understanding of the bible and be equipped to teach it to others. This course may also appeal to those who are thinking about full-time ministry.

**Why do the course?** You will be encouraged by qualified and trained bible teachers. You will spend time with like minded people from across the island. You will explore deep truths of the Christian faith.

**Dates:** Fridays 10th Oct – 12th Dec 2025, 23rd Jan – 27th Mar, 17th Apr – 1st May 2026 (10:00am – 1:00pm)

**Cost:** £50 per year (In person option only, refreshments provided)

## BIBLE EXPOSITION

Every week we will spend 1 hour studying a book of the bible together. Throughout the year we will study Genesis 1-11, Mark and Romans.

## DOCTRINE AND PRACTICAL MINISTRY

Every week we will spend 1 hour studying Christian doctrine and looking at the practical elements of ministry.

## TEACHING WORKSHOP

Every week we will spend 1 hour sharpening our bible handling skills, equipping you to teach the bible to individuals, small groups, and larger groups of people.



# LECTURE SERIES - MINISTRY

**Who is this for?** Each year we run a series of lectures aimed to stimulate theological reflection around an important topic. For this academic year we have chosen to focus on what the bible has to say about ministry.

**Cost:** Free (Sign up required on website)

**2026**

Tuesday 30 September  
7:30pm-9:00pm

## MINISTRY - IS IT FOR ME?

An evening to come along and think about what ministry is. What it looks like be involved in ministry? How do you know if it is for you?

Tuesday 8 December  
7:30pm-9:00pm

## MINISTRY - ONLY FOR MEN?

A short biblical introduction to the various roles of women and men in the church.

Tuesday 13 January  
7:30pm-9:00pm

## MINISTRY - HOW DOES THE CHURCH GROW?

We all want to see the church grow spiritually and numerically. This lecture will help us assess healthy, and sometimes unhealthy, church growth models.

Tuesday 28 April  
7:30pm-9:00pm

## MINISTRY - HOW DO YOU TEACH THE BIBLE WELL?

Why do we teach the bible the way we do? How can we improve our bible handling skills? Join us for an evening to be sharpened and challenged about the need to teach the bible well.

# FAQ

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **HOW DOES THE WEST TRUST MTA OPERATE?**

The West Trust MTA is overseen by a group of trustees who appoint a coordinator to organise our ministry teams. Some of the trustees will be speakers at our events. For more info visit: [www.westtrust.co.uk](http://www.westtrust.co.uk).

### **HOW DOES THE WEST TRUST ENSURE THE EVENTS ARE RUN SAFELY?**

All our events are kindly hosted by the United Parish of St Nicholas and All Saints. With their partnership we ensure adherence to all applicable insurance and safeguarding policies.

## HOW DO WE STORE PEOPLE'S INFORMATION?

In partnership with the trustees, the West Trust MTA co-ordinator has created a secure database for individuals subscribed to or involved with the Trust. Participants can request removal of this information at any time.

## WHAT ARE OUR CORE CONVICTIONS?

As an Anglican Trust, we hold to the 39 articles of Religion and the Jerusalem Declaration.

# TIME TO GET INVOLVED

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and sign up

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All our events are hosted at St Nicholas church halls (1 Cadogan Park). To register for our courses & find more info, please scan the QR code below. We hope to hear from you soon.

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MTA Coordinator



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