



Monthly Bulletin - October 2019

Welcome to the October news bulletin from the Eastern Baptist Association, below you will find details of events, training courses and helpful information that are relevant to our region.

Some of the events need to be booked in advance.

News

News from The Gathering

Thanks to everyone who attended the Gathering on Saturday, the day was fantastic and the messages shared from both the keynote and seminar sessions were very well received. During the AGM we have the pleasure of appointing a new Moderator. Jeniya Gwendu was unanimously appointed to serve in the role for 3 years. It was also announced that Alan Brand, John Goddard and Sean Fountain were elected to serve as trustees joining Fiona Heddle as newly co-opted trustee.

Reflections from the wave of Prayer week

The power point used at the gathering with reflections that had been shared with us from the many gatherings that happened during the week can be [found here](#)

Surplus Song books offered to good home

Songs of Fellowship blue hardback combined 1,2 &3 x40, Mission Praise white hard back x75,
Red Baptist Hymn book x60 Contact Norwich Central Baptist Church on 01603 760497 or email
office@norwichcentral.org

Association Events



Excellence in Safeguarding Training

Combined Level 2 and Level 3

16 November, Billericay Baptist Church, Essex

11 January, Colchester Road Baptist Church, Ipswich

25 January, Histon Baptist Church

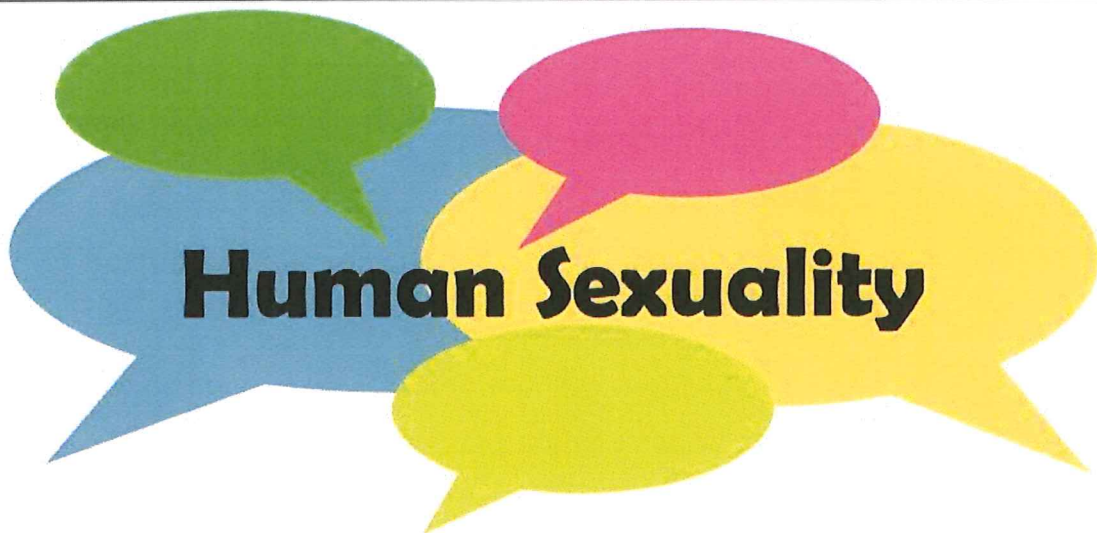
28 March, Burlington Baptist Church

Level 2 Only

5 October, West Leigh Baptist Church, Essex (1.30pm start time)

16 November, Lighthouse, Sheringham, Norfolk (9am-12pm)

If you are interested in hosting a training event then please get in touch to chat about the possibility



Human Sexuality

9 October Rayleigh Baptist Church, High Road, Rayleigh, SS6 7QA
10 October Histon Baptist Church, Station Road, Histon, CB4 9LQ
16 October Rushmere Baptist Church, The Street Rushmere St Andrew, IP5 1DF

All days will run from 9.30am - 4.00pm. Please bring your own lunch

We are hosting some training days to help resource churches to have conversations about same-sex attraction and following Jesus. The days will equip those who attend to facilitate discussions and the exploration of scripture in their church in a way that is Christlike. Facilitated by Revd Steve Elmes, a Baptist minister who has written extensively on the subject and created the resource: "A Beautiful Endeavour".

Please book with EBA secretary



22 October 10.30-3pm, King's Church Mildenhall

In your ministry are you surviving, are you thriving, are you drowning? In the role that you have been called to as a minister you face many and varied pressures. When do you know that the pressure is too great? What are the signs that you should be seeking help? Do you ask yourself the question, who can I talk to about feeling like this?

'Taking our wellbeing seriously' will be a day for those in ministry to help explore what it looks like to take care of our own mental health, while still in a role of caring for others.

Please book with EBA Secretary



Learning Hub Taster sessions

7 November, 7.30pm-Braintree Baptist Church, Blyth's Meadow, Essex, CM7 3DA

13 November, 7.30pm-Norwich Central Baptist Church, Duke Street, Norfolk, NR3
3AP

14 November, 7.30pm-Great Shelford Free Church, High Street, Cambs, CB22
5EH

Please book with EBA Secretary

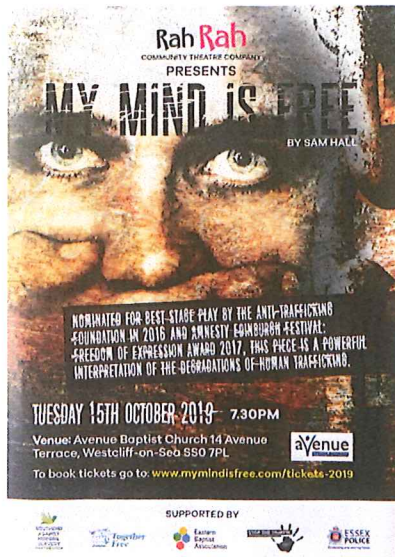
Youth Leaders Retreat

26-27 November The EBA facilitates a youth leaders retreat twice a year. An opportunity to reflect and retreat in the grounds of Letton Hall in Norfolk, we eat together, pray together and relax together before we leave to go back and do what we have been called to do!

If you are a youth leader, or know one, please consider joining us. It is £35 for the 2 days.

More details or to book please contact secretary@easternbaptist.org.uk

Other Events and Information



Together Free, the EBA and Avenue Baptist Church are pleased to be hosting Rah Rah Theatre Company and their production of 'My Mind is Free' in Southend 15th Oct. The production uses a mixture of imaginative physical theatre and skillful multi-role playing to tell the interlinked stories of four people trafficked to and within the UK and their horrifying tales of abuse, exploitation and enslavement.

The show will be followed by an anti trafficking speaker who will look at the signs of trafficking and what types of trafficking are taking place locally. This will then be followed by a Q and A with both the speaker and actors.

Other locations include: Walton on the Naze (9th Oct), Colchester (10th Oct), Bexhill on Sea (14th Oct). For more info and free tickets

see <https://www.mymindisfree.com/tickets-2019>

The Global Leadership Summit is being held in multiple locations in the UK, including 3 in our region: Bishops Stortford Baptist Church on 18th- 19th October, C3 Church in Cambridge on 8th- 9th Nov, and Drayton Hall, Norwich on 14th - 15th Nov.

Speakers include Danielle Strickland, Krish Kandiah, Bear Grylls, Jason Dorsey and many others.

<https://globalleadershipnetwork.org.uk/gls/>

Church Conservation and Management

A course is running in Chelmsford that may be of interest to anyone who has an historic building to conserve or regenerate more details can be [found here](#).

