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Event Handbook

CHRIST OUR LIFE.

New Horizon 2026

Welcome

Dear Friends,

Welcome to New Horizon 2026. Whether this is your first time with us or you have been attending for many years, we are delighted that you are here.

Our theme this year, Christ Our Life, takes us to the very heart of the Christian faith. Christianity is far more than a set of beliefs or practices; it is life in relationship with the risen Lord Jesus Christ. Through faith in him, we are forgiven, made new, and brought into a living union with the One in whom our lives are now hidden with God.

Throughout the week, we will explore the supremacy and sufficiency of Christ through Paul's letter to the Colossians. Together, we will be reminded that Christ is not only central to our salvation but central to every aspect of our lives. He is our hope, our wisdom, our strength and our peace.

As we gather each morning around God's Word and each evening to consider how the gospel shapes everyday life, we will reflect on what it means for Christ to transform our thinking, priorities, relationships, responsibilities, witness, struggles and joys. In a world that constantly competes for our attention and allegiance, we will be encouraged to fix our eyes on Jesus and discover afresh what it means to live for His glory.

Our prayer is that this week will deepen your love for Christ, strengthen your faith, enrich your fellowship with God's people, and equip you to serve him more faithfully in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of life.

May you know the blessing of God's presence among us, and may these days together help each of us to see more clearly that Christ is our life.

The Board & Management Team of New Horizon

Daily Programme

	Bible Teaching 10:00–11:15	Seminars 11:45–13:00	Evening Celebration 19:30–21:15	21:30–23:00
Sat 01			**Jesus: Light of our World** Michael Ots	
Sun 02	**Main Stage Speakers in local churches**		**Jesus: Redeemer of our Hearts** Rafael Manzanares	
Mon 03	**Colossians** Steve Auld	**Explore Seminars**	**Jesus: Hope in our Suffering** Andy Bannister	**Young Adults**
Tue 04	**Colossians** Steve Auld	**Explore Seminars**	**Jesus: Shepherd of our Relationships** Rafael Manzanares	**Young Adults**
Wed 04	**Colossians** Steve Auld	**Explore Seminars**	**Jesus: Lord of our Daily Life** Michael Ots	**Young Adults**
Thu 06	**Colossians** Steve Auld	**Explore Seminars**	**Jesus: Director of our Witness** Andy Bannister	**Young Adults**
Fri 07	**Colossians** Steve Auld	**Explore Seminars**	**Jesus: King of our Future** Michael Ots	**Young Adults**

Wednesday 05 August

Special Celebration

11:30am | The Collab Lab

This relaxed session includes interactive worship, prayer, Bible teaching, and moments of fun and drama. We use an easy-to-read Bible translation and create a calm, inclusive space for all.

Family and friends are warmly welcome to join in this celebration.

Get to know our

Mainstage Speakers

Steve Auld

Steve Auld is the Pastor of Great Victoria Baptist Church in the heart of Belfast. He grew up close to Armagh and was on track to play professional rugby until an encounter with God at New Horizon shifted the direction of his life. He's no stranger to the event, having served on various New Horizon teams over the years — including many as part of the Livewire team — and has even spent nights sleeping in the tent as part of the security team!

Before taking up his current role at Great Vic, Steve served with Africa Inland Mission in Madagascar, was Associate Pastor at Eden Baptist Church in Cambridge, and studied under Don Carson at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. He is currently studying for a PhD in theology, and has a passion for seeing people built up in their faith through Bible teaching.

Andy Bannister

Andy is the Director of Solas and an evangelist, speaker, writer, and broadcaster. From universities to churches, cafes to pubs, and schools to workplaces, Andy regularly addresses audiences of all faiths and none on issues relating to faith, culture, politics, and society. He was co-editor and a contributing writer for Have You Ever Wondered? and is the author of several other books, including How To Talk About Jesus Without Looking Like An Idiot, Do Muslims and Christians Worship the Same God?, and The Atheist Who Didn't Exist.

He also co-hosts two podcasts, PEP Talk and Pod of the Gaps, and presents the Short Answers video series for Solas. Andy is married to Astrid and they have two children.

Rafael Manzanares

Rafael is the Lead Pastor of Santa Ponsa Community Church in Majorca. Originally from the island, Rafael became a Christian in the USA, and attended Calvary Chapel Bible College in Austria. He then served in a church plant in London, where he met his wife Loretta and they now have two children. They returned to Mallorca in 2001 and took over the pastorate of SPCC in 2002.

They opened a Calvary Chapel affiliated Bible College in 2005, and they trained many students and interns in love for the Word and service in local churches as well as the mission field for 10 years. They continue to serve the church mainly through Bible teaching, and are now working on a long standing vision to open a Christian school on the island.

Michael Ots

Michael is an evangelist, author and speaker. He speaks regularly on the Christian faith at university events and Christian Unions both in the UK and across Europe. Michael serves as the Field Director of FEUER (The Fellowship of Evangelistis in the Universities of Europe) - a network of evangelists seeking to promote the public proclamation of the Gospel in the universities of Europe. Michael is the author of several books including What Kind of God?, But is it true?, What Kind of Hope? and his latest release, Making Sense of Life.

Michael's passion comes from his own understanding of Christianity and how it informs every area of life, from questions of morality and ethics, to reasons for hope and justice. He lives in the Midlands of England with his wife Rebecca who is an airline pilot. They are regular and active members of Knighton Free Church.

Monday-Friday

Explore Seminars

Running each weekday from 11:45am to 12:45pm, our seminars pick up right after the morning bible teaching.

With five or six seminars running at once, you can pick the session that best fits your interests and stage of discipleship.

Each covers theological, practical, pastoral, and ethical themes through a 45–50 minute talk, followed by 10–15 minutes of open Q&A.

We'd love your feedback on the seminar programme.
Scan the QR code below to share your thoughts.

Monday 03 August

1 Faith & Family | Mainstage Left

Priorities in marriage
Michael Shaw

2 Church | Overflow 1

The Quiet Revival: Overhyped or offering hope?
Rick Hill

3 Culture | Bann

Reaching the Apathetic
Michael Ots

4 Arts | Young Adults Hub

Truth and Beauty: The bible, creativity, & the arts
Gilbert Lennox

5 Biblical Counselling | Cromore

Responding wisely to the struggles of life
Steve Midgley

6 Missional Living | Overflow 2

God is on the move
GlobalRecordings,ReachMentoring & Samaritans Purse

Tuesday 04 August

1 Faith & Family | Mainstage Left

Life after Death: How to deal with grief
Tim Huey

2 Church | Overflow 1

Discerning the Call to Full-Time Ministry
Panel Discussion with Ken Robinson, David Leech, Gilbert Lennox, & Steve Auld

3 Culture | Bann

Addiction: Recovering Together
Roy Warke

4 Arts | Young Adults Hub

Bearing Witness: How creativity speaks to us and through us
Ross Wilson & Andrew Roycroft

5 Biblical Counselling | Cromore

Disappointment & growth
Steve Midgley

6 Missional Living | Overflow 2

Conversational Evangelism
Michael Ots & Andy Bannister

Wednesday 05 August

1 Faith & Family Bann

Transitioningtoan Empty Nest

Alan & Pauline Wilson

2 Church Overflow 1

The Wonder of Work: Discovering the eternal significance of our everyday responsibilities

Gareth Black

3 Culture Mainstage Left

AI: The Good, the Bad, the Ugly

Andy Bannister

5 Biblical Counselling Cromore

Limitations & Growth

Steve Midgley

6 Missional Living Overflow 2

Do you want to be bolder in sharing Jesus?

Voice of Persecuted Christians & Open Doors

Thursday 05 August

1 Faith & Family Overflow 2

From Pain to Hope: A Compassionate Church Response to Divorce

John & Audrey Palnoch

2 Church Overflow 1

Encouraging and Equipping you to welcome those with Neurodivergence into your church community

Anita Conkey, James Nelson & Kathryn Beck

3 Culture Bann

Seeking First the Kingdom of God-Pt. 1

Nathaniel Jennings

4 Arts Young Adults Hub

In the Beauty of Holiness- Music, Worship & Singing

Jonathan Rea

5 Biblical Counselling Cromore

Depression & Growth

Steve Midgley

6 Missional Living Mainstage Left

Walking closely with our Triune God.

Steve Auld

Friday 07 August

1 Faith & Family | Mainstage Left

Parenting Teenagers: Armageddon or Age of Opportunity?

Pete Wright

2 Church | Overflow 1

Planting, Revitalising & Shepherding the Local Church

Steve Auld & Rafael Manzanares

3 Culture | Bann

Seeking First the Kingdom of God-Pt. 2

Nathaniel Jennings

4 Arts | Young Adults Hub

Creativity in Conversation

Ross Wilson, Andrew Roycroft & guests

5 Biblical Counselling | Cromore

Lonliness & Growth

Steve Midgley

Visit this year's

Mission Hub

There are 33 organisations at the Mission Hub this year.

Drop by the stands throughout the week and discover the amazing work happening locally and around the world.

Precept Ireland

MA Mission Africa

Voice of Persecuted Christians

Fields of Life

Salt Factory Sports

Adopt A Child

Interserve

BCM International Northern Ireland

TeachBeyond | UK & IRL

Children of the Nations

Belfast School of Theology

Blythswood

ONEMISSION

ecm European Christian Mission

bes bible educational services

Love for Life

SGA partners in mission

eMi designing a world of hope

PIONEERS

The Word one to one

evangelical alliance together making Jesus known

Both Lives

IJM

OMF

Girls' Brigade Northern Ireland

BibleHouse

Samaritan's Purse

NTM

reach mentoring

The Christian Institute

Serving In Mission

Welcome Churches

Christianity Explored

GRN Global Recordings Network United Kingdom

New Horizon

Young Adults

9:30-10:45pm | TheYoungAdultHub

Saturday 01 August

Quiz Night

Sunday 02 August

Live Music & Board Games

Monday 03 August

Young Adults Live Podcast

Christ our Life... in univeristy

Tuesday 04 August

Young Adults Live Podcast

Christ our Life... in the workplace

Wednesday 05 August

Young Adults Live Podcast

ChristourLife..inaworld of content

Thursday 06 August

Young Adults Live Podcast

ChristourLife..inadivided society

Livewire Events

9:45pm | TheDiamond

Tuesday 04 August

Praise Night

Thursday 06 August

Quiz Night

Giving

New Horizon is a free conference, which relies solely on donations. It costs roughly £250,000 to run the event each year, we estimate that to be around £160 per person for the whole conference or £15 per session. We understand financial situations are different for everyone, but we would encourage you, if you share our vision, to partner with us.

You can support New Horizon in a way that works for you. Regular giving helps us plan wisely for the future and enhances the sense of partnership in our vision.

The simplest way to give, whether monthly or one-off is by bank transfer/standing order or by scanning the QR code to take you to our donate page online.

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