

Exploring Alternative Ministry

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 3hrs

Charity rate £300

Business rate £500

Objectives:

To understand what is meant by alternative ministry and become aware of some examples.

To know about the benefits of working with non-Christian volunteers.

To know about the benefits of working with the Police and other agencies.

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce CNI Network and the history of Street Angels. He will then explain how this is an alternative ministry. He will then go on to describe some other models of alternative ministry such as Festival Angels, Club Angels, Club and Pray and Lap Dancing Ministry. He will explain how people can get involved in these ministries as a volunteer.

Moving on to the benefits of working with non-Christian volunteers in a Christian ministry. Paul will draw on personal experiences in order to highlight the benefits of working with non-Christian volunteers. He will focus on:

- 1) Ensuring the volunteer will respect the Christian ethos of the ministry
- 2) Showing unconditional love to others in the night time economy can be a real witness to non-Christian volunteers
- 3) Praying together in a group at the beginning of the night can be a testament of faith
- 4) Leading by example in the choices we make
- 5) Strengthening the spirit and character of Christian volunteers
- 6) A chance to ask any questions in a friendly environment
- 7) Non-Christian volunteers with hidden spirituality
- 8) A chance to have an alternate 'church' perhaps non-Christian volunteers do not feel they fit into conventional church
- 9) A chance to think of their own spiritual journey
- 10) Non-Christian volunteers provide insight and often understanding of the reveller
- 11) Acceptance and non judgement

Moving on Paul will talk about the benefits of partnering with the Police and other agencies. The focus will be on:

- 1) Pooling resources and training
- 2) An opportunity to witness through action
- 3) Grants or other forms of practical support
- 4) CCTV to help Angels get to victims faster
- 5) Pub Watch meetings
- 6) Connecting the Church with community again
- 7) Generating respect
- 8) Ending the session with questions from the audience

Social Media, Good News and Evangelism

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 3hrs

Charity rate £300

Business rate £500

Objectives:

To understand the importance of Social Media in the modern era.

To understand how to use Social Media for your project and evangelism.

To understand how you are perceived by your audience.

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce himself, CNI Network and his online experience. He will explain what is meant by social media and show some examples of what that could entail. He will show some good and bad examples of people using social media and explain/discuss with the audience why they are good and bad. What language is being used? Is it negative? Positive?

Moving on to discuss the importance of Social Media and will focus on:

- 1) The Audience
- 2) The language
- 3) How far the message can travel
- 4) Potential to reach thousands of people
- 5) Some terminology such as virals, trolls etc.

Moving on to how to use Social Media:

- 1) Personal use or project use
- 2) Having one person to update the website
- 3) Keeping it relevant and up to date
- 4) Opportunity for people you have helped to contact you
- 5) Opportunity for new volunteers
- 6) Opportunity to inspire and share good news
- 7) Importance of not disclosing sensitive information
- 8) Keeping a positive image
- 9) Using scripture can be easy online but be encouraged to use simple translations
- 10) Keep entries short as people are busy

Moving on to how you are perceived by audience:

- 1) Think about reactions to the good and bad entries and how the audience felt
- 2) Grammar and Punctuation
- 3) Positive language
- 4) Have a discussion about how to improve online image
- 5) Ending session with questions from the audience.

Social Media, Good News and Evangelism Workshop

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 6hrs

Charity rate £500

Business rate £800

Key difference with this version is the opportunity for more practical team discussions, activities and worksheets/booklets to explore better communication techniques and ideas.

Objectives:

To understand the importance of Social Media in the modern era.

To understand how to use Social Media for your project and evangelism.

To understand how you are perceived by your audience.

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce himself, CNI Network and his online experience. He will explain what is meant by social media and show some examples of what that could entail. He will show some good and bad examples of people using social media and explain/discuss with the audience why they are good and bad. What language is being used? Is it negative? Positive?

Moving on to discuss the importance of Social Media and will focus on:

- 1) The Audience
- 2) The language
- 3) How far the message can travel and potential to reach thousands of people
- 4) Some terminology such as virals, trolls etc.

Moving on to how to use Social Media:

- 1) Personal use or project use and one person to update the site
- 2) Keeping it relevant and up to date
- 3) Opportunity for people you have helped to contact you
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- 5) Opportunity to inspire and share good news
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Moving on to how you are perceived by audience:

- 1) Think about reactions to the good and bad entries and how the audience felt
- 2) Grammar and Punctuation
- 3) Positive language
- 4) Have a discussion about how to improve online image
- 5) Ending session with questions from the audience.

Setting up a project

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 3hrs

Charity rate £300

Business rate £500

Objectives:

A general overview of the intricacies of setting up a project and understanding how CNI Network can support a new project.

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce CNI Network and the history of Street Angels. He will then go on to describe some other models such as Festival Angels, Club Angels, Club and Pray and Lap Dancing Ministry. Sharing the CNI Network website as a good starting point to find out more.

Points covered in this session are:

- 1) Starting points for a new project
- 2) Know your challenges i.e. observe what is happening and record what you see
- 3) Make your findings known to your church, churches together group or other agency
- 4) Start a business plan for your project - show an example of a short term plan CNI can give you this information to begin with if starting a Street Angel/Club Angel project.
- 5) Trustees/Steering group
- 6) Becoming a charity (CNI can help)
- 7) Policies (CNI can help)
- 8) Risk analysis
- 9) Finding premises (caravan, mobile unit, church hall, cafe)
- 10) Inspire volunteers (talks, information day, word of mouth, CNI can help)
- 11) Insurance (CNI can help)
- 12) Training (connect with local agencies)
- 13) Finances - local business, sponsorship, grants, cinnamon network, fundraising ideas from CNI Network
- 14) To rota or not to rota
- 15) Remember to meet regularly with the steering group
- 16) Writing down incidents
- 17) Recording who is on duty
- 18) De-briefing
- 19) The importance of a mixed team
- 20) First aid (Halifax Street Angels can help)
- 21) What is an AGM and remembering to host one
- 22) CNI conference
- 23) Contact Paul if more questions in the future

Ending the session with questions from the audience.

Setting up a project Workshop

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 7hrs

Charity rate £600

Business rate £1000

Key difference with this version is the opportunity for more practical team discussions, activities and worksheets/booklets to explore individual ideas and business planning in more depth.

Objectives:

To understand how to set up a project

To understand challenges of a new project

To explore the importance of business planning

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce CNI Network and the history of Street Angels. He will then go on to describe some other models such as Festival Angels, Club Angels, Club and Pray and Lap Dancing Ministry. Sharing the CNI Network website as a good starting point to find out more.

Points covered in this session are:

- 1) Starting points for a new project
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Ending the session with questions from the audience.

Prayer in the Night time economy and at Festivals

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 3hrs

Charity rate £300

Business rate £500

Objectives:

To explore key differences of praying in the night time economy and festivals

To understand challenges of praying alongside revellers and non-Christian volunteers

To be more aware of hidden spirituality in the clubbing community

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce CNI Network and the history of Street Angels, working alongside non-Christian volunteers and praying before going out on the streets. Explore the impact of this witness to the non-Christian volunteers. Exploring the importance of a prayer covering before going out on the streets.

Moving on to exploring the key differences of prayer with non Christians:

- 1) Keep prayers simple and jargon free
- 2) Accept where people are at on their journey
- 3) Make sure your attitude is non-judgmental
- 4) Don't be shocked at negative or positive reactions to open group prayer
- 5) Don't be shocked at language used by non-Christians during prayer
- 6) Remember that you are a role model for prayer
- 7) Don't exclude non-Christians from prayer
- 8) Praying whilst on the street angel beat

Festivals and prayer:

- 1) Prayer tents
- 2) Positive reactions with revellers
- 3) Hidden Spirituality
- 4) Offering prayer - be wise in each circumstance
- 5) Opportunity to help people understand prayer

Challenges of praying alongside revellers and clubbers:

- 1) Alcohol and drugs
- 2) Different language
- 3) Different ideas of God
- 4) Mocking spirit
- 5) Empathise with the clubber

Ending the session with questions from the audience.

Working with those outside the church and other agencies in ministry

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 3hrs

Charity rate £300

Business rate £500

This session can be merged with the 'Prayer with Night time economy and at Festivals' session for a full day (7hrs) session.

Objectives:

To be aware of CNI's original vision for Street Angels project

To explore challenges and benefits of working alongside non-Christian volunteers in ministry

To explore opportunities for testimony with outside agencies and non-Christian volunteers

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce CNI Network and the history of Street Angels, working alongside non-Christian volunteers and living your witness. Explore the impact of this witness to the non-Christian volunteers and other agencies.

Moving on to explore witnessing to non-Christian volunteers and other agencies:

- 1) People are not projects - love people unconditionally
- 2) Actions speak louder than words
- 3) Safe opportunities for non-Christians to ask questions
- 4) Some people may behave irrationally when praying - give them some space and the project manager to answer any questions.
- 5) Build a relationship
- 6) Turn the other cheek
- 7) Don't take it personally
- 8) Offer to pray with them privately
- 9) If you have a base you can play modern worship songs
- 10) There may be an opportunity to start a bible study group or alpha
- 11) Respect other agencies and what they do
- 12) If they can offer free training - accept it
- 13) Let them ask questions
- 14) Listen to their views

Ending the session with questions from the audience.

Grace beyond limits

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 3hrs

Charity rate £300

Business rate £500

This session can be merged with other sessions for a full day (6-7hr) session.

Objectives:

Exploring Grace and unconditional love in the night-time community
Understanding our own limits - reflection

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce CNI Network and the history of Street Angels. He will share some stories from the Streets using the Street Angel book.

Moving on to discuss these points:

- 1) What is Grace?
- 2) The difference to unconditional love
- 3) Is this realistic?
- 4) When the human side takes over - tired etc.
- 5) Reflection about how the audience would react on the streets when vomited on, coping with silly behaviour, told someone did a heinous crime or victimised only to help the abusive person later in the night.
- 6) How can we do this?
- 7) Scripture and unconditional love and grace

Ending the session with questions from the audience.

Networking is wonderful

Talk led by: Paul Blakey MBE

Minimum: 3hrs

Charity rate £300

Business rate £500

This session can be merged with other sessions for a full day (6-7hr) session.

Objectives:

- To understand networking
- To explore why it is a useful tool
- To improve networking skills

Outline of session:

Paul will introduce CNI Network and the history of Street Angels. He will share some stories from the Streets using the Street Angel book.

Moving on to discuss these points:

- 1) What is networking
- 2) Which agencies should I connect with
- 3) Positive impact of networking
- 4) Strength in a united vision
- 5) sharing knowledge
- 6) pooling resources i.e. volunteers/money/items
- 7) fundraising ideas
- 8) AGM
- 9) CNI Conference
- 10) Encouragement

Moving on to discuss how to improve networking skills:

- 1) Be approachable and friendly
- 2) Be diplomatic
- 3) Be vigilant the other party will reflect positively on your project

Ending the session with questions from the audience.