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## HEALING IN TODAY’S WORLD

SATURDAY 10TH  
OCTOBER 2015

A creative writing workshop led by  
Andrew Pratt.

How do we speak of healing in the light of medical and technological advances? What does healing mean in the context of broken societies and communities? Andrew Pratt will lead this workshop in writing for the Hymns for Healing project and a forthcoming publication.




These workshops and quiet days are offered throughout the year on a wide range of topics and issues, all with particular relevance for local church life, which are open to people of all backgrounds and experience.

They run from 10am until 4pm and cost £20 including teas and coffees. Buy a meal in our dining room (approx. £5.50) or bring your own lunch. For further information, or to book, please contact our Registry Office using the details below.

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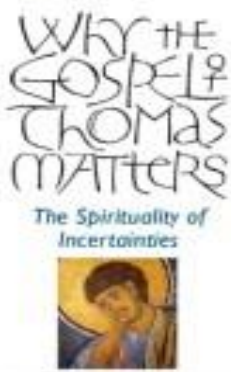
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The Spirituality of  
Uncertainties

GETHIN ABRAHAM-WILLIAMS

## BOOK LAUNCH & LECTURE

### THOMAS—THE NEGLECTED DISCIPLE

MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2015  
6.30PM—9.00PM

Thomas deserves a better press! He's the Apostle of the Enquiring Mind, and has much to teach us about the importance of a faith forged in the furnace of doubt. This lecture will explore why: *'The minute you begin to speak with certitude about God, he is gone'* (poet, Christian Wiman).

Refreshments and the launch of Gethin's latest book: *Why the Gospel of Thomas Matters*, will begin at 6.30pm followed Gethin's Lecture: *Thomas—The Neglected Disciple*, at 7.30pm

Gethin Abraham-Williams is a Baptist minister, university lecturer and retreat speaker. He was awarded the Cross of St Augustine by the Archbishop of Canterbury in 2006 for 'making an enormous contribution to ecumenical relations.'

Our theological lectures are open to all. They are free of charge to attend, and there is no need to book – just turn up!

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**4: Bispham URC** are looking for a children's Nativity play that they did about 10 years or more ago. It is about a mouse called Chris and he had an owl and a rabbit for his friends and they told the Christmas story. It may have been written by Rev Brewster but not sure on that score. Hope you can help. If anyone has any information regarding this play that would be helpful please can you contact the Synod Office on 0161 789 5583 or alternatively email [office@nwsynod.org.uk](mailto:office@nwsynod.org.uk).

**5: A set of keys were found** outside the Arts Council on Lever Street Manchester. The keys have a URC key fob and a 'Fitness All' fob. Please contact the office on 0161 789 5583 or [admin@nwsynod.org.uk](mailto:admin@nwsynod.org.uk)

## **6: News from the Blackburn North and East Pastorate**



A lot has happened this summer in our Pastorate. The highlights of the summer have to be the **Holiday Club** from 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> August. An average of 28 children attended each day and 21 volunteers from all three churches and the community helped during the six days. The theme was John Hardwick's 'Jungle Jamboree' and the activities included; bible stories, games, songs, crafts, a daily drama from the Watt Family and of course

some food.

On the Saturday the parents were invited to a party to see what the children had been doing and each child was given a certificate and a goody bag.

The week came to a climax with our **Pastorate Pet Service** led by Mal. It was a new experience for us all and a great success. 55 people came along and there were 10 dogs, five cats and several of Mal's puppets.

Each pet received a special pet blessing from Mal and Lena and Mal used one of his puppets to tell the children a story. The weather was very kind to us – praise the Lord.



We are now looking forward to starting our Pilots group in October and a Mini Olympics day during the autumn half term.