

Booking form

Yes, I wish to attend the Conference: *Faith and food: making the connections*, in Oxford on the 28th February 2009

Cost (including lunch): £10.00 (£7.50 Concessions: retired, unemployed, student, etc.)

Name:

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I enclose a cheque made payable to 'Faith and food' for £10.00/ £7.50 []

I have the following special dietary (or other) needs:

Please return to: Mike Rayner, 198 Marlborough Road, Oxford, OX1 4LT
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Faith and food: making the connections



Saturday February 28th 2009
9.30 am - 4.30 pm

Wesley Memorial Church
New Inn Hall Street, Oxford, OX1 2DH,
and
St Michael at the North Gate Church,
Cornmarket Street, Oxford, OX1 3EY

Aims of the conference:

- To make connections between our food and our faith
- To explore the ethics of how food is produced, marketed and consumed
- To look at new food problems such as:
 - ◊ the rising price of food and increasing costs of producing it
 - ◊ increasing levels of obesity even in developing countries
- To reflect on the place of food in our worship
- To challenge us to think more widely and deeply about food

Background to the conference:

Food for Christians symbolises God's sustaining love, and in the Lord's Prayer we ask God to 'Give us this day our daily bread'. For these reasons a group of Christians from different denominations living in Oxford and close by have come together to organise a one-day conference.

Questions the conference will explore:

- Where does food come from?
- Who controls what we eat?
- Why are food prices rising and farmers struggling?
- Why are so many people getting fatter when so many other people are hungry?
- How can we feed the world without destroying the planet?
- What should we, as Christians, think and do about food?

Who should attend: Anyone who cares about what Christians can do about food: members of other faiths or none are extremely welcome.

Speakers: Colin Tudge (Oxford, food writer); Rev Canon Tim Gorringe (Exeter, theologian); Fr Edilberto Sena (Satarèm, Brazil, campaigner); Jan Simmonds (Newcastle, Christian Aid)

There will be workshops on: Farming, Fair Trade, food marketing, food justice and climate change, food poverty, bread making, etc. There will be a delicious lunch provided by Will Pouget and his staff from the 'Vaults and Garden' Coffee Shop of the University Church of St Mary the Virgin and to end the day there will be ecumenical worship.

Organising committee: Liz Baker, Liz Dowler, Glyn Evans, Margot Hodson, Martin Hodson, Ans Laver, Hugh Lee, Tony Phelan, Mike Rayner, Maranda St John Nicolle.

Website: For further details please see: www.faithandfood.org. On this website we will post further details of speakers, workshops, etc as and when they become available.

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