



## GMS MINISTRY STREAMS: PREACHING & COMMUNICATION

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is Good News to bring eternal salvation to all people. The message of the Bible, therefore, is the most important message to be communicated clearly and effectively with as many people as possible. There is a gift of preaching that the Holy Spirit gives to many, a unique way God has wired you up to speak and there are core skills that every communicator can learn to become more effective in sharing the most important message in the world.

**This stream will empower you to communicate biblical truth with passion, clarity and power to a group of 12 or 1200.**

### Ministry Streams Teaching – 29 May and 5, 12, 19 June:

Week 1	<b>Understanding the Bible in context:</b>  As preachers, our role is to grapple with the message of Scripture, allowing it to speak to and challenge us, so that we allow it to speak to, encourage and challenge our listeners. Understanding the context of Scripture is essential to preaching God's message effectively for everyday application.
Week 2	<b>Crafting a Biblical message:</b>  Week 2 will help you learn how to plan your message, understand your audience, determine your outcome and build a preaching outline to draw from when crafting a sermon.
Week 3	<b>Communication style and technique:</b>  In week 3, we will explore the practicalities of communication style and tools you can use to deliver a sermon with passion and power. You will also have the opportunity to apply these tools in a small group exercise to put your knowledge into action.
Week 4	<b>Creative communication:</b>  Albert Einstein said that "creativity is intelligence having fun!" In week 4 we will delve into ways to engage your audience using out-of-the-box thinking, props and the visual arts.

### Ministry Opportunities Terms 2 & 3:

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## GMS MINISTRY STREAMS: PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

The most prominent picture of leadership in the Bible is of a shepherd leading sheep that are entrusted to their care. Our culture is markedly different to biblical times but the heart of God to raise up leaders that nurture, care and guide His people has not changed.

**This stream will equip modern day leaders to reflect the heart of God and fulfil the purposes of God.**

### Ministry Streams Teaching – 29 May and 5, 12, 19 June:

Week 1	<p><b>Casting Vision and developing strategy:</b></p> <p>As an introduction to Pastoral Leadership in week 1, we will talk about how to cast vision and develop strategy to effectively lead a team of people. Good leaders never shrink from dealing with the realities of the here and now, yet they never lose sight of the big picture and what the ultimate future looks like.</p>
Week 2	<p><b>Building teams and caring for volunteers:</b></p> <p>Building and valuing teams is part of Gateway’s DNA. Your most significant ministry is building teams of people to serve God alongside you. This week we will discuss how to invest your time into identifying, recruiting, mobilising, encouraging and caring for your team members.</p>
Week 3	<p><b>Pastoral Care in Action:</b></p> <p>The only thing that God really treasures is people, so this week we’re focusing on pastoral care. We follow the lead of our shepherd king and look at the challenges of caring for people in a growing church, and then unpack some strategies Gateway is using to make big church smaller.</p>
Week 4	<p><b>Leading groups:</b></p> <p>The final week of the Pastoral Leadership Stream will equip you to envision and mobilise your team, communicate effectively with them and build relational strength by encouraging and celebrating the victories you lead your team to.</p>

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## **GMS MINISTRY STREAMS: CREATIVE**

The Creative Ministry Stream is designed, not to teach you performance skills, but to enhance and develop your already developed giftings and use them in a way that helps to further the gospel whether through our Sunday services or through our showcase event. We will delve into the nature of the arts focusing especially on the place of the arts in the church and how our God-given gifts and talents can be used to further the Kingdom. We will discuss questions and thoughts around the arts in the church and the Biblical basis of such an endeavour.

### **Ministry Streams Teaching – 29 May and 5, 12, 19 June:**

Week 1	<p>The first week of the Creative Ministry Stream will focus on the Biblical aspects and nature of creativity and the arts. We will look into why the arts should be in church and how best to incorporate the arts into ministry and outreach in services or other church events.</p> <p>Building a creative team into the future of the church requires people who think creatively and are passionate about the arts and their performance 'craft'.</p> <p>A practical exploration of how we then, specifically, create something that draws attention upwards to God and uses the gifts we have been given in a standard that is creative and excellent.</p>
Weeks 2-4	<p>Putting together a performance piece that is excellent and carries a high standard takes time. The last three weeks of the creative ministry streams will be devoted to rehearsal and refinement of performance pieces that show the Glory of God through the gifts He has given to us.</p>

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## **GMS MINISTRY STREAMS: WORSHIP**

If you have a heart to draw others into a place of worship by using your skills and gifts in singing and music our Worship Ministry Stream is for you. Gateway's team will work with you to refine your techniques and skills, enhance your heart for worship and nurture your connection with God.

### **Ministry Streams Teaching – 29 May and 5, 12, 19 June:**

Week 1	Week 1 starts with a look at worship through Scripture. Worship is our response to God, and week 1 helps us grow in our understanding of worship throughout the Bible as well as giving a theological basis of different expressions of worship.
Week 2	Week 2 helps us focus back to how we run a 'worship service' at Gateway. Worship is such a large part of why we gather, so we'll discuss what elements we use to make up our worship times.
Week 3	Week 3 opens up a conversation with worship leaders about how we lead times of worship. Everything from picking a set, leading with others and leading a band is on the table.
Week 4	Following on from Week 3, Week 4 is even more practical giving leaders an opportunity to get feedback and tips around how to grow as a leader as well as celebrating the uniqueness that God places within all of us.

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## GMS MINISTRY STREAMS: MISSION

Do you resonate with God's heart for people in our community, nation and world? Our Gateway Beyond Team will journey alongside you and encourage you to step out and nurture your passion to share Jesus with people you live, work and laugh with - whether it's here in Brisbane or somewhere around the world.

You'll have the chance to meet a wide range of people involved in missions as you explore and follow God's call.

### Ministry Streams Teaching – 29 May and 5, 12, 19 June:

Week 1	We will look at the biblical foundations of mission and explore Gateway's theology of mission. Whether your heart is to serve people in our community through Gateway Care, or serve in cross-cultural missions, this is a foundational week to understand why we do what we do.
Week 2	Often our heart to share Jesus with others is linked with wanting to practically help them as well. This week we will unpack what poverty really is, reflect on our motivations for helping others, and spend time with people who have been on the receiving end of practical care in Jesus' name.
Week 3	Be inspired and challenged by people who are sharing the life changing message of Jesus in the marketplace (where they work or study) and in their local community through care ministries.
Week 4	Spend time with some of our Gateway Beyond workers who serve cross-culturally and hear their passion for missions. We'll also have some time of self-reflection and talk about ministry deployment opportunities.

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