



# Through a strange land: leading the rural church into the future

Multi-parish benefice day conference  
2010

January 14th 2010

The King's Centre, Oxford

10am—4pm

*The Inter-Diocesan Rural Ministry Group  
Dioceses of Coventry, Gloucester, Worcester, Oxford*

## A day for the rural church

The rural church is having to navigate its way through uncharted territory. We are caught between maintaining church as it used to be and seeking to imagine what we might become. These are challenging times as we journey through a strange land.

The purpose of this conference is to

- Acknowledge that the task is tough
- Recognise where we have come from
- Think with daring and imagination about the journey ahead
- Share encouraging stories
- Inspire us with hope, as God's people

The conference will combine top-quality Biblical, theological and historical input with round table discussion in a way that aims to refresh and encourage all those engaged in rural multi-parish settings.

### Cost:

£40 (includes lunch)  
(£30 earlybird ticket if bookings received before 30th September)

The cost for clergy and LLMs can be claimed from CMD: please indicate on your booking form if you would like to do this.

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I wish to attend the above event

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

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\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose a cheque for £30/£40

I would like the cost to be covered by a CMD grant

Please return to:

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