

DAMASCUS

INTRODUCING THE DAMASCUS TRUST

Damascus Trust was set up in 1990 to support the preaching and teaching ministry of Andy Paine, and enable others to get involved in mission work.

After gaining a BA in Creative Arts, Andy spent some years working with Youth for Christ and Scripture Union before setting up Damascus Trust,

which has three main aims.

- To enthuse and build up Christians in their love for Jesus.
- To enable the local Church to share the Gospel of Christ.
- To establish outreach and discipleship within the local Church.





RESOURCES:

Our Bible teaching series are led by Andy Paine and are suitable for large or small groups. All teaching is supported by PowerPoint presentations and interactive study notes.

- **Revelation Unravelled.** A simple and straightforward look at the last book in the Bible. Revelation is often seen as a mystery and frequently left alone by Christians. But it reveals God's plan for the cosmos, the world and you and me.
- **Called to be Holy.** Simply living God's way. It is possible to live a holy life and not be boring! Jesus showed us how and now calls us to do the same. Not an option but a freedom to live right with God.
- **When Jesus Returns.** The early Church lived in the expectation that Christ would return in their life-time. This gave a dynamic edge to their fellowship together and their witness to the world. We need this today. Clear, Biblical teaching on what will happen leading up to Christ's return.
- **Heaven & Hell.** For too long the Church has, in general, simplified the one and ignored the other. Jesus spoke a lot about both and it's time to face facts even if it's uncomfortable. Our eternal destiny was a matter of life and death for Jesus and one day will be a reality for us all.
- **Millennium Matters.** The millennial reign of Christ involves big words and is often left alone

as too confusing and divisive. But it is referred to throughout the Bible and includes such massive events that it not only matters - it is a crucial part of God's big plan.

- **The Growing Church.** Six studies and two review sessions looking at what it is to *be* Church rather than *doing* church. Includes follow-up house group material. Practical, challenging and relevant, it encourages us to reconsider what we do as Church and how we do it.
- **The Kingdom of God.** It's a Kingdom that is not of this world yet impacts this world every day. It's a Kingdom that has been invaded yet remains undefeated. It's a Kingdom that will be fully manifest when King Jesus returns. We can be included and enjoy 'Kingdom living' today.

Other resources include Bible teaching CDs, short devotional booklets, a basic follow-up course and even a Bible Readathon programme! Andy also offers day conferences for Church Leaders / Groups.



OUTREACH:

Damascus Trust has wide experience of outreach work. Our emphasis is on both reaching as many as we can with the gospel as well as encouraging the local Christians to be actively involved.

Depending on the situation and needs, Andy is happy to come on his own or with the support of a

small team. Whatever the situation, we will explain the gospel simply and clearly and give people an opportunity to respond.

'**Keep It Simple**' is a manageable approach to evangelism for the local Church and includes a brief questionnaire which is an invaluable tool for making contact with the community, engaging people in conversation and sharing the love of Jesus. Anyone can use it and combined with a few relaxed outreach events it can make for a straightforward approach to evangelism.



TEAMS:

Partnership In Evangelism is all about enabling people to be involved in sharing the love of Jesus with ordinary people, wherever they are. Our teams work is for any who are between 18 and 80 years with a love for Jesus and a desire to tell others.

UK Teams work with local churches as well as at shows and camps.

Teams Abroad have opportunity to spend time working in Andhra Pradesh, India with Mercy Mission Welfare Society in their English-speaking school, orphanage and with pastors in village ministry.



OVERSEAS:

Damascus Trust has been keen to develop links with Christian work abroad, particularly in developing countries. We aim to provide practical help alongside Bible teaching and evangelism. We have helped establish a Bible School to train pastors and

evangelists, provided personal study books for graduate pastors as well as bicycles to help them visit churches in towns and villages.

'**Support a Pastor**' is about providing ongoing financial support for pastors and evangelists who are working for the Lord in poorer countries. Churches, home groups and individuals can be a part of this ministry. We also support the care of abandoned and orphaned children through our '**Support a Child**' programme. This demonstration of Christ's love runs alongside the declaration of the Christian gospel.



PARTNERS:

All who want to stand with us in the work are kept in touch with what is happening through our regular **News-Line** as well as a **Prayer Diary**. The Damascus Trust does not charge for its ministry but is supported by freewill gifts from individuals and churches. Any who want to help in this way can request the leaflet '**Four Ways to Give**'.

Getting in touch:

For further information or to arrange for Andy to come and visit your church, please use one of the following:



by post using the response form overleaf



by phone or email (see over) the contact page on our website (see over)



we'll be pleased to hear from you however you get in touch.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

RESPONSE FORM

As a charitable trust, the Damascus Trust relies on gifts and donations. All gifts from those paying tax can benefit the Trust by using Gift Aid for both one-off or regular donations. For more information, please request the leaflet 'Four Ways to Give'.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Four Ways to Give | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Readathon |

Quarterly News-Line & Prayer Diary - please add me to your mailing list to receive updates: by post or by e-mail

Teaching CDs:

- Please send me (____) set/s of Revelation Unravelled.
- Please send me (____) set/s of Called to be Holy.
- Please send me (____) set/s of When Jesus Returns.
- Please send me (____) set/s of Heaven & Hell.

(all teaching sets cost £16 including teaching notes. Please enclose cheques with orders payable to 'Damascus Trust')

Booklets: Please send me a free copy of :

- either Think & Respond or Promises of Revelation
or Questions Jesus Asked

If you would like Andy Paine to come and speak at your church and present the work of the Trust, please tick here and we will get in touch.

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