

## Introduction to Breaking the Silence

**Peter Phillips**

The sexual abuse scandals that have arisen in various parts of Christ's Church in recent years are a reminder to all of us that appropriate safeguards must be put in place when we are working with children. For the sake of the gospel and God's holy name, we must ensure that we make every effort to prevent abuse within the Church, to help those who are hurting, and know how to offer the gospel to those who offend. Breaking the Silence is a document that has been adopted by the PCV Assembly. It must be followed by all organisations at local, presbytery and state levels within our Church. It sets in place basic precautions which should be taken in all youth and children's ministry, as well as a procedure to deal with allegations of misconduct. **Introduction to Breaking the Silence** is a one hour seminar which is intended outline the general requirement of the document as well as providing examples of it use in camps, youth groups and Sunday Schools.

## Post—What?

**Nathain Secker—Presbyterian Youth NSW**

Modernity, Postmodernity, High Modernity, sounds like a prescription or possibly an illness. Who cares? I do and so should you. These and other significant factors like generational change, biblical literacy, pluralism and tolerance all influence our culture, our thinking, and values.

This raises two questions for the Christian:

Holiness – or how do I live as a Christian in this changing world?  
Evangelism - or what do changes in our culture mean for sharing faith?

Some things are current, some things are past, so we find ourselves asking Post – what?

## Growing Teenagers through Camps

**Wayne Spencer—Presbyterian Youth NSW**

(Looking at how do job of convener/assistant at local, regional or state level)

Camps are one of the most useful tools for a youth leader. The amount of time a leader can spend building relationships with their youth at a camp is worth nearly half a year of youth groups. Therefore it is essential to know how to program a camp to meet the needs of your youth and leaders. We need to know what we want to achieve from camp and then look at what sort of activities and sessions will bring this about.

## Holiday Clubs

**Chris Morphew**

Holiday clubs are an effective way of reaching out to children whilst still having fun and teaching the Gospel. This seminar will run you through what you will need to prepare, how to promote and then run your own Holiday club in the next school holidays.

## Introducing God to Pre-schoolers

**Chris Morphew**

This seminar is designed to look at how to get started and the things that you need to think about when you are introducing God to pre-schoolers, whether it is on a Sunday morning at church, or at a mid-week playground.

## Giving a Kids' Talk

**Nathain Secker—Presbyterian Youth NSW**

Some people find giving a children's talk in church difficult, but others make it seem easy. Some talks you can remember—but the gospel isn't always presented clearly. Some talks are presented with a strong biblical message, but the children stop listening after the first sentence and its hard to get their attention back again. This seminar provides a practical approach to children's talks in church.

## Servant Leadership

**Tony Archer**

Our ultimate model of ministry is Jesus himself: "The Son of man did not come to be served but to serve." Yet it is in our nature that none of us particularly likes serving others. Maybe we are more happy to do it when everyone is watching, or when we will get the slap on the back afterwards. But so often participating in ministry is not glamorous. So often it is the leader who (begrudgingly) is left with a mountain of dishes to do while everyone else is off playing warball. So I guess it is to be expected that sometimes we get to the stage where we feel that it is better if we don't volunteer next time round - it's time for me to live life a bit.

But what of those words of Jesus? This session is intended to be a reminder of the awesome privilege it is to enlist in the work of the gospel. It is also intended to remind us that while we may focus on the facts and figures that show how well our programme is running, God is far more interested in whether we truly love and trust him from the heart.

## Running a Friday night Youth Group

**Wayne Spencer—Presbyterian Youth NSW**

Through this workshop we will look at making sure we're right with God first. Then we will look at what we are trying to achieve on our nights. What are our goals? Does our program help to meet our goals? In considering how to put it all into practice, we will look at a few practical examples of a Friday night program.



## PYV—Fuelled Training Day Registration Details

**Please register before the 18th of July, 2005**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have special dietary requirements, please advise: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Please send your registration details to:**

PYV "Fuelled" Training Day  
49 Vaynor Street  
Niddrie, VIC 3042

Payment will be accepted by  
money order or cheque.  
**Please make payable to  
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**www.pyv.org.au**



Fuelled days have been specifically designed to provide practical support to local churches in all areas of the state. They particularly emphasise equipping all types of church leaders – ministers, elders and leaders of ministries.

Our aim is to give you all access to high quality training and resources, to help you as you continue to develop a cross-shaped community, changing your neighbourhood, our nation and our world.

We are using this opportunity to provide workshops and seminars on ministering to children and youth, as well as looking at what it means to be a servant leader, and an introduction to Breaking the Silence, the Church's child protection policies.



**Where:**  
Heathmont Presbyterian Church  
6 Waterloo St, Heathmont

**When:**  
23rd July, 2005

**Time:**  
9:30am—4:30pm

**Cost:**  
(includes morning & afternoon tea, lunch and paper work for the day)  
Early Bird Rego (before 18/7/05) **\$20.00**  
Late Rego (after 18/7/05 or on the day) **\$40.00**

**Timetable for the day:**

9:30 – 10am	<b>Rego/Morning Tea/Welcome</b>	
10-11am	Servant Leadership	
	<b>OPTION 1 – Youth ministry</b>	<b>OPTION 2 – Children's Ministry</b>
11am-12	Post- what?	Introducing God to pre-schoolers
12-1pm	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
1pm-2pm	Growing Teenagers Through Camps	Giving a Kids' Talk
2pm-3pm	Running a Friday night Youth Group	Holiday Clubs
3pm-3:30	<b>Afternoon tea</b>	
3:30-4:30	Introduction to Breaking the Silence	

**Any Questions:**  
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