

Auckland Mentor Training



1pm, Friday 10 February—6pm Saturday 11 February 2023

St Francis Retreat Centre, 50 Hillsborough Rd, Auckland 1042

EfM is a way to continually deepen the journey with God in the company of a group which provides challenge and support and co-learning opportunities. It has both academic rigour and a holistic, grounded way of applying that rigour to the realities of 21st century life, living into what into means to be disciples of Christ in our particular time and context.

To support the life of EfM groups and provide for the possibility of new groups forming we need to have mentors who are trained in the skills needed to facilitate these co-learning groups.

A mentor is not an expert, or a tutor, but a co-learner with group members who has the added group skills to ensure that a safe, honest, non-judgmental learning environment is fostered.

If you think that you might have what it takes to be a mentor, and/or are interested in stepping into the adventure that is EfM, fill in the [registration form](#) and come along to the training event in Auckland. (If the link doesn't work on your browser try www.efm.org.nz/events)

Coming to the training does not commit you to being a mentor! Come, taste, and see!

If you have questions or want more information email Educationforministrynz@outlook.com

Registrations close on 13 January 2023

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New EfM Mail Address from 18 February 2023

— please amend your records —

Education for Ministry

62 Herewini St

Titahi Bay

Porirua 5022

The new address can be used now but please don't use the old one after February

Introducing the Board

Education for Ministry in New Zealand is provided by Education for Ministry Trust—a charitable trust. It has a board, currently with 6 members, that meets 4 times a year to provide governance and guide the provision and growth of EfM in New Zealand. Until I joined EfM as administrator I had no idea who the board were or what they did. I thought that many EfM participants may be equally unaware.

This newsletter introduces four of the board to you.

Dion Blundell



Dion is new to the EfM Board. His first board meeting was in August 2022.

Dion is a husband to Angela, and father to four children. He is an ordained Anglican Priest, ministering in the Anglican Diocese of Auckland. He has degrees in Engineering, Theology and a Graduate Diploma in Not-For-Profit Management. He enjoys reading on governance, missiology, biblical studies and adventure fiction. Relaxation is anything to do with water and running stupidly long distances.

Carole Hughes



The Venerable Carole Hughes is a member of the Anglican Diocese of Auckland Episcopal Team (since August 2011) as full time Archdeacon of Auckland. She has been Vicar-General since 2019. Prior to which she was Co-Vicar and then Vicar of St John's, Campbells Bay, on the North Shore of Auckland. She was ordained in 1997 in the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki, where she offered ministry at the Taranaki Cathedral and St Chads West New Plymouth.

Carole is passionate about theological education and contextual understandings of Scripture, Anglican liturgy, and liberation theology. She is keen to ensure that theological education is inclusive and accessible; hence her deep interest in EfM. Over the past 20 years she has had numerous articles, chapters and books on theology and liturgy published, including resources on gender justice for the Anglican Communion.

In addition to being a Board member for EfM, Carole is currently chair of the International Anglican Women's Network Steering Group for the Anglican Communion, has been an adjunct/guest lecturer at St John's Theological College since 2007, and chaired the Anglican church's three Tikanga Common Life Liturgical Commission. .

Jean Malcolm



Jean Malcolm had been around EfM since she was a teenager, when her Dad, John, mentored an EfM group which occasionally met at their house. When she went teaching in the Waikato in her early twenties, she acted on John's suggestion that she hunt EfM out there. She did her first three years of EfM there, and also attended her first Mentor training. Mentoring EfM groups in Auckland Lower Hutt and Wellington followed, with Jean taking up the role of Trainer in 2013. In 2021 she joined the EfM NZ Board as a trainer rep. At present Jean is Co-Vicar at St Peter's Willis Street, Wellington, and mentors the Te Aro EfM group there.

Richard Norman



Richard Norman has taught and researched human resources and public management at Victoria University of Wellington's School of Business and Government, retiring in 2020. Study of people and organisations is largely a development of the past 50 years. Its focus on human hierarchies, achievements and failures has much in common with theological argument. Richard values EFM for its action-focused learning, based on multiple perspectives, first being in an EFM group in the 1980s when it helped provide wisdom of the ages and a long term perspective amidst forced job changes and 20 percent house mortgage rates. He is a long-time member of St Peter's Anglican Church, Willis Street, Wellington and contributed to a reshaping of the church's property assets.

Seasons Greetings



Whether you have been a trainer, a mentor, a participant or just reading about us Education for Ministry thanks you for everything you have done in 2022. We hope that somewhere you have found a gem that has given you a new insight or a deeper understanding of your faith.

We wish you a Christ filled Christmas and may God be with you in 2023

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

Fertile ground to grow your faith

Like the mustard seed, we need fertile soil to grow. Education for Ministry (EfM) is like that fertile soil and we are the mustard seeds.

Learning about the Old and New Testaments, church history, and discovering theology is the light shining on the soil, warming it so the seed will sprout.



Thinking about EFM?

Do you want to know more about EFM?

Are you keen to join or start a new EFM Group?

Please contact Michael, we would love to hear from you.

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