



Launde Abbey

14th-16th October 2019

Awesome Conference: ***'Leading in a Broken Church'***

IF YOU'VE NOT BOUGHT TICKETS YET IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP!

Guest Speaker Sophie Jelley will encourage us to focus on Compassion, Courage and Call - as we lead in a Broken Church.

More information and tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/awesome-conference-2019-tickets-60074526526>

Rev. Sophie Jelley

For those called to lead in today's church there is no doubt we are facing complex times. We are all aware of the public profile of the church for good and ill. I am delighted to have the opportunity to come as an encourager among fellow leaders for the task set before us. During the conference we will be thinking and praying together exploring God's words, addressing three specific areas. First: compassion. We all have our own stories of brokenness in our own hearts and lives. We bring these to the task of leadership and through them we gain insight into the compassion of God which is key for leaders in our broken world today. Second: courage.

The task is a demanding one, at times even overwhelming and daunting but we receive it in the strength God provides. I have found prayer is the key to this and will be talking about that in a variety of ways. Third: call. The church is always looking outward to the world created sustained and loved by God. Perhaps there will be those amongst us discerning a new call, wrestling with an existing one or just longing to hear from God about their situation. My experience is that when we make ourselves available to God through time away with others, we come away with a clarity of call and a deep reassurance from the one who sends. That is my prayer for the conference as I prepare over the coming weeks. I really look forward to time with you!



Titles for talks

1. Compassion – sorting through our own hearts (John 12:1-8)
2. Courage – praying 'God make me brave' (John 15:1-17)
3. Call – going wherever God sends (John 21:15-25)

