



Saturday 12 February | 10am – 4:30pm | Christ Church Selly Park

God calls us to care for the stranger in our midst; to protect orphans and widows; to 'act justly and love mercy' (Micah 6:8). How does this translate to the way we care today?

Over the past 20 years, refugees numbering hundreds of thousands have come to the UK, with many seeking asylum. The **'Refugee and Asylum Seeker Health Course'** aims to equip Christian healthcare practitioners and others to:

- Improve knowledge of the health care needs, responses and challenges for refugees and asylum seekers in the UK
- Hear examples of good practice
- Foster a dialogue between those working with refugees and asylum seekers for mutual encouragement and support
- Inspire creative ways to engage with health systems for better provision, support and care

The programme is an interactive learning experience led by both by those who have been refugees, as well as healthcare professionals in this field. If you encounter people from outside the UK in your everyday practice, then this is the day for you.

For enquiries contact Global Coordinator, Sonia Quane at globalcoordinator@cmf.org.uk

PROGRAMME

- 10:00** Arrival and coffee
- 10:30** **Welcome and Introduction to the Day |** Fi McLachlan
- 10:45** **Commonly Presenting Problems|** Andy Lephard
- 11:15** **Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking: Facing facts and breaking myths |**
Laura Wood
- 11:30** SMALL GROUPS & COFFEE
- 11:45** **Women and Children Come First? |** Jess Keeble
- 12:15** **Common stress factors, short term and long-term psychopathology among
refugees, and efficient approaches |** Bert Nanninga
- 12:45** Q & A
- 13:00** LUNCH - stands of local agencies
- 14:00** **Focus on Birmingham**
- 14:30** **Choice of seminar 1:**
A. **Story of a refugee and his faith journey |** Seyedemad Nejati
B. **Housing needs, pathway to apply for accommodation, destitution
and local support in housing needs |** Ferida Dube
- 15:15** BREAK
- 15:30** **Choice of seminar 2:**
A. **Listening to the voices of experience of the health sector**
B. **The truth beyond the tabloids and countering political rhetoric: the
asylum process, refugee resettlement and proposed Nationality and
Borders Bill and support available from the voluntary sector |** Jeremy
Thompson
- 16:15** Open discussion/questions
- 16:30** Close

SPEAKER BIOS

Fi McLachlan is head of CMF Global with a background of involvement in healthcare management and mission.

Dr Andy Lephard is a GP based in Bradford with a special interest in refugee and asylum seeker health.

Dr Laura Wood is an academic paediatrician from Leeds. She is the Research & Child and Family Modern Slavery Director at VITA Training, an organisation dedicated to advancing the health response to modern slavery. She holds an advisory role at national level regarding the UK modern slavery response.

Dr Jess Keeble is a GP at Bevan Healthcare in Bradford, and Training Programme Director for the Bradford GP Specialty Training Scheme. Through these roles, she can bring health, hope and humanity to people who are marginalised, and inspire others to do so. When she's not working or trying to make sure her children have clean clothes, full stomachs and happy hearts, she tries to find time to swim in the Wharfe or cycle into the Yorkshire Dales for coffee and cake.

Dr Bert Nanninga is a transcultural psychiatrist specialized in psychotrauma and migration. As a former long term tropical practitioner, he now works with refugees and migrants with mental health problems in The Netherlands.

Dr Seyedemad Nejati is a General Surgeon and a refugee from Iran.

Ferida Dube is Service Manager for a refugee & Migrant Project at Entraide (Mutual Aid). She is responsible for coordinating all Entraide UK projects and managing staff, and has a sustainable career in the charity sector having worked with asylum seekers, refugees, and other vulnerable migrants for 10 years; including the management of destitution projects, managing & supervising staff, and volunteers in delivering excellent quality casework, advice, advocacy, guidance, and humanitarian assistance to those seeking asylum and protection in the UK.

Jeremy Thompson is Manager at Restore, a project of Birmingham Churches Together welcoming and integrating refugees and asylum seekers through befriending and group social activities which have a positive impact on wellbeing and combat isolation. He is passionate about justice and sanctuary for refugees and raising awareness about refugee issues. He is a member of St John's Church, Harborne, enjoys gardening, strolling in the countryside and taxi-ing teenage children?!

LOCAL ORGANISER

This event has been organised by the CMF West Midlands Catalyst Group. Contact James Tomlinson at cmfwestmidlands@cmf.org.uk for further information.

BOOKING

PAYMENT

Qualified doctors	£40
FY and retired doctors	£25
Nurses & midwives/health professionals	£25
Students & unwaged	£10
Charity workers (1/2 day from 13:00 – includes lunch)	£20

Included is a non-refundable registration fee of £5.

To book visit <https://www.cmf.org.uk/global/events/refugee-and-asylum-seeker-health-course-birmingham/>

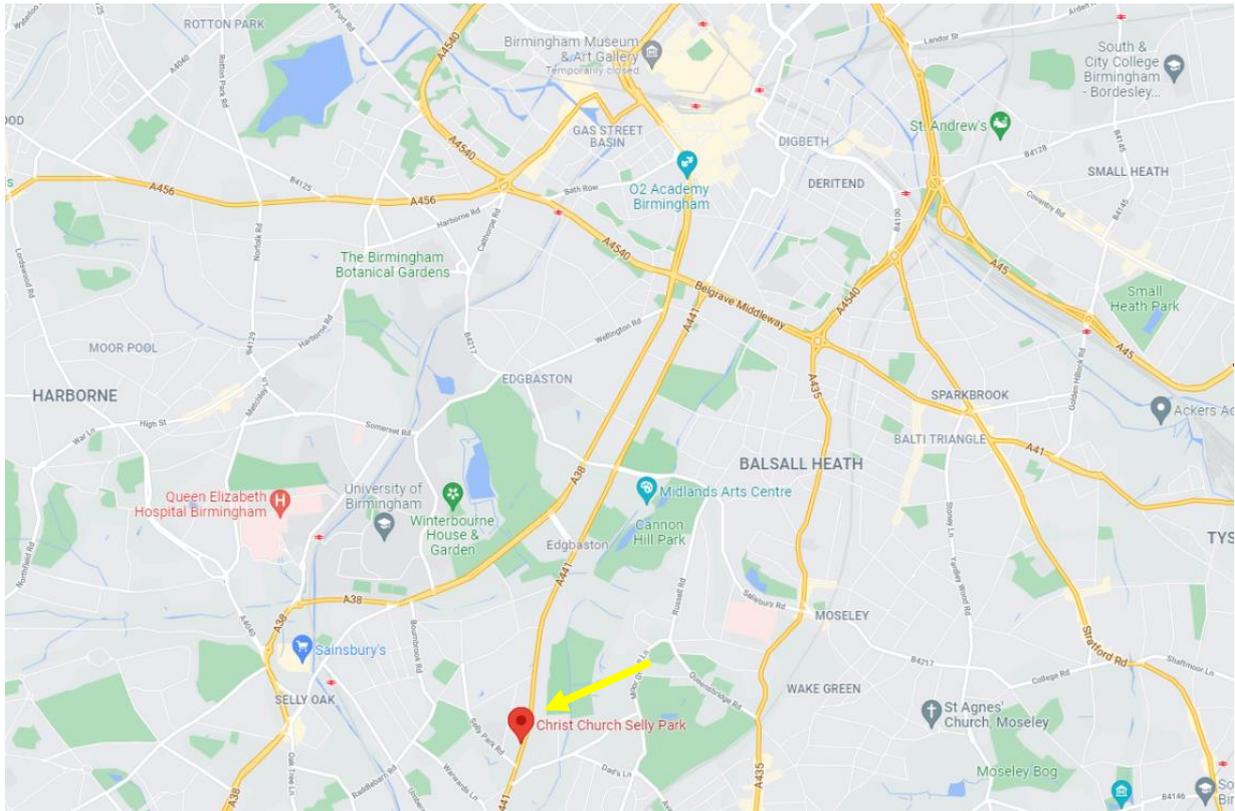
VENUE & TRAVEL

LOCATION

Christ Church Selly Park
953 Pershore Road, Selly Park
Birmingham
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The Christ Church building is at 953 Pershore Road (A441) in Selly Park, almost opposite the entrance to Hobson Road.

The building is a 15 min bus journey from Birmingham New Street station, bus routes 45 and 47 (every 8 mins) to Kitchener Road. Selly Oak station, served by West Midland Trains, is a 25 minute walk away or a 10 minute bus, route 76 (every 20 mins) to Milner Road.



ACCESS

There is a limited amount (16 spaces) of off-road car parking space at the rear of the building. There are two disabled parking spaces, one at the rear and the other at the front. Parking on Pershore Road is available all day at the weekend.

There is a cycle rack next to the car park entrance.

Wheelchair access is available via ramps to both front and rear of the building. All the public areas are on the ground floor and are accessible to wheelchair users.