

NZACS and BTI present:

It's more than chapter and verse

Exploring the role of the Bible in Christian teaching
and linking our avenues of influence

Course Overview

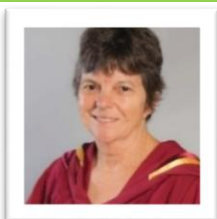
These workshops will support participants' understanding of a key component of 'quality Christian Education' in Aotearoa New Zealand by exploring different ways in which the Bible may inform and shape their practice and reflection on teaching or leading. In particular, participants will interact in depth with the different approaches presented in *The Bible and the Task of Teaching*. (Written by David I Smith and John Shortt, available online as a free PDF).

Smith and Shortt's work, briefly introduced in the second workshop of 2018, was very well received by participants, with many indicating they would like to explore these ideas further, hence the topic for this year's programme. Through teaching, discussion and practical activities, participants will be supported to identify specific goals in relation to the theme of the PLD which they will then explore in their own classroom during Term 2. In Workshop 2 there will be opportunity to share progress towards these goals by contributing to structured, scaffolded, collaborative conversations which help them grow further in their understanding of quality Christian Education.

Facilitator

Dr Marion Sanders:

- Christian educator at BTI
- Classroom and leadership experience in NZ, Tonga and Thailand.
- M.Ed. in Christian Education and Ph.D. in educational mentoring
- Working in consulting roles in NZ and China
- Workshop facilitator for AKO Aotearoa
- Three adult daughters and five mokopuna



Day 1 (Term 1 or 2)

Session 1: 9:00am – 10:40am

Living the scriptures
Tracing connections with the scriptures

Session 2: 11:00am – 12:40pm

Stories and THE story
From canon to classroom

Session 3: 1:20pm – 3pm

Linking our avenues of influence
Reflection and goal setting

Day 2 (Term 3)

Session 1: 9:00am – 10:40am

The teacher's example, the teacher's commitment

Session 2: 11:00am – 12:40pm

Collaborative sharing of goal outcomes
Learning from each other

Session 3: 1:20pm – 2:45pm

Linking our avenues of influence
Reflection and further goal setting



IT'S A METAPHOR

Locations

The course will likely be offered in centres around NZ where 12 or more registrations are forthcoming.

“It is a key function of metaphor to enable learning by connecting what would otherwise remain disparate parts of our experience; it is this that makes metaphor a significant strand in the relationship between the Bible and education.

(Smith & Shortt, 2002, p. 134)

We propose the following dates: Northland – Thu 28 Mar, Thu 29 Aug | Auckland – Fri 29 Mar, Fri 30 Aug | Waikato/BOP – Thu 21 Mar, Thu 22 Aug | Lower NI or Upper SI – Fri 3 May, Fri 6 Sep | Mid or Low SI – Thu 2 May, Thu 6 Sep
Cost is \$290 (incl. GST) per teacher for the two days, i.e. \$145 per day

Register online via the NZACS website: <https://www.nzacs.nz/development/regional-pd>

Please register by **Monday 4 March**; this will enable us to confirm course dates early in Term 1

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