

Recently I attended a prayer Seminar entitled ‘Developing a Praying Church’ with Kath and David Wells.

I found it very inspirational, with several significant topics such as doorways to worship, different types of prayer, praying when you are disappointed with God and praying for your community.

Did you know that some people are moved to see God’s greatness when they see wonderful architecture? Others are moved as they feel God’s presence now and some see God’s greatness as they study the Bible. These are just a few examples of the doorways to worship.

Another topic was praying what the Bible says. This really spoke to me and I am putting this into practice, praying for a family member, using Psalm 1:3 *”And he will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yield its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither and in whatever he does he prospers.”*

Praying for our community was challenging; there were suggestions such as being a listening people and feeling deep compassion for those in our neighbourhood who do not know God.

The day was well organized with one hour periods of work followed by a break of morning tea or lunch. Also there was a variety of presentation styles; asking us for suggestions, small group discussion and giving of information (with lots of hand- outs for later study - great!).

I would thoroughly recommend this workshop to everyone, both those who love to pray and those who wish they did.

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