



Greg Cooper | MTS 2010-11

Greg was trained by Luke Woodhouse, with a particular focus on music ministry and our Sunday Gatherings.

What have you been doing since MTS and how did your training help prepare you?

I stayed on staff at Christ Church as Music Director from 2012 through to early 2015. I then took up two part-time roles - Creative Director at EMU Music (overseeing the writing and production of songs for congregational singing), and a research role with Effective Ministry (exploring the place and importance of music in disciple-making). In addition, I lead training sessions on church music

at events throughout Australia and Asia, and continue to write, record, and perform my own songs in various settings. I have also enjoyed part-time study at Moore College over the last couple of years.

What can we pray for you in your current ministry?

Praise God for his generous provision of ministry opportunities - and for the way that he uses them to teach and shape me. I would value prayer for godliness, servant-heartedness, and other-centredness in every ministry setting God places me. Thank you!



Dave Trill | MTS 2010-11

Dave was trained by Nathan Walter (Wal), with a ministry focused on Growth Groups and training Growth Group leaders.

What have you been doing since MTS and how did your training help prepare you?

Since finishing MTS, I have commenced and completed studying a Bachelor of Divinity from Moore College and have begun this year as an Assistant Minister at Albion Park Anglican Church, focussing on the 9.30am family congregation. MTS prepared me for this by helping me recognise the people-focussed nature of ministry, the importance of prayer and about how we want to be

safeguarding the proclamation of the gospel in all that we do. It also helped me realise the joy it is to be able to work full-time in ministry and to be studying in it, as I deeply enjoyed MTS and consistently enjoyed studying and now working in ministry.

What can we pray for you in your current ministry?

Please pray that I would continue to grow in my relationship with God first, then that of my marriage and children, so that I can be better prepared to serve the people at Albion Park. Pray that God would remind me day after day of the immense privilege it is to serve Him in this capacity and the joy to teach others about Him. Lastly, pray that God would continue to help me teach others, by His Spirit, about the wonder of Jesus Christ, about His reality and about the joy of His gracious and loving sacrifice.

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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The Ministry Training Strategy is a long-term investment into people, so we thought it would be good to get an update on some of our 'graduates'



Chloe Eatough | MTS 2014-2015

Chloe was trained by Pip Russell. Her ministry was mainly focused on young adults at 6.45 Church, as well as ministering to children, youth and older women.

What have you been doing since MTS? How did MTS help prepare you?

At the beginning of this year, I started studying a Bachelor of Divinity at Moore College. It has been an awesome start to my college life! MTS has prepared me for my studies by giving me a framework to think about what ministry is.

What can we pray for you in your current ministry?

Praise God for His comfort, strength and forgiveness; for a great term settling in at Naremburn Cammeray Anglican Church; that my Year 12 girls have had a bunch of opportunities to share their faith with their friends and family recently; and for providing wonderful new friends at college and financial support as I study!

Ask God for His providence with leaders and a speaker for Year 12 Study Camp in July, and to prepare the hearts of the youth to repent and trust in Him; for a wise balance between studies and rest; and that His Spirit would work powerfully in and through the various mission teams being sent from Moore Theological College in May. Please pray for love and boldness to share the gospel, and for people to be restored to God!



Paul Graham | 2014

Paul served as a part-time, volunteer ministry trainee in 2014, training under Nathan Walter (Wal). His main areas of ministry were young adults and teaching Primary School Scripture.

What have you been doing since training at Christ Church? How did your training help prepare you?

Since leaving Christ Church, I have been doing MTS full-time at a small church plant called Northern Beaches Church in Curl Curl. These two different contexts have taught me very different things and equipped me with a broad set of skills to prepare me for ministry in the coming years. My current role also

includes some training with Cornhill Preaching . I am now in my second year of MTS and am considering where God will lead me next.

What can we pray for you in your current ministry?

In the youth group I am running we are having an evangelistic push this term. Pray that the youth would be excited by the power of the gospel, would feel ownership of what's happening this term and would act on it. Pray that their friends will come and will trust Jesus. Pray also for me as I prepare for marriage with Sophie in December, that together we would continue to pursue godliness.



Pat O'Keeffe | MTS 2013-2014

Pat was trained by Nathan Walter (Wal). His main ministry focus areas were with children & families at Cowan Rd, as well as young adults at 6.45 Church.

What have you been doing since you did MTS? How did MTS prepare you for this?

I am currently in my second year of theological study at Moore College! MTS helped prepare me for this by showing me how much I needed to dedicate time to prepare for full time ministry. I need to be equipped with a deeper knowledge of God for a lifetime of faithful ministry.

Reflecting on my time in MTS also reminds me that every theological issue has a name and a face - that is what the Bible says profoundly impacts the lives of kids, men and women and doesn't just deal in abstract ideas.

What can we pray for you in your current ministry?

Please pray for me that my study would grow me in my knowledge of God so that I would depend on him and delight in him and serve him in everything. Pray that as our workload is busier than ever, and as I adjust to married life with Issy that I would be a godly husband and faithful servant of the gospel.



Susan An | MTS 2010-2011

Susan trained with Pip Russell, focussing on International Ministry, leading a Growth Group and training Growth Group leaders, and reading the Bible with women who were investigating Christianity.

What have you been doing since MTS and how did your training help prepare you?

Having finished four years of study at Moore College for a Bachelor of Divinity, this year I have begun ministry as an Assistant Minister at St Augustine's, Neutral Bay. MTS provided practical background to the 'theory' we studied at college. For example, conversations with people who struggled to understand the Lord's Supper prepared me to grapple with lectures on Reformation arguments concerning the sacraments. MTS also prepared me for the

realities of day-to-day ministry life, like the rigors of meeting up with multiple people back-to-back. As I transition back into full-time ministry, I can see how my time on MTS helps me to manage my own (and others') expectations of my capacity. Ministry is a marathon, not a sprint!

What can we pray for you in your current ministry?

I continue to appreciate your prayers, as it is God who works in me and through me. Please pray that I will build strong and ongoing relationships with the people at my church. Ask that we will develop relationships where they can approach me to talk and pray about problems. As there is no fast-tracking trust, pray that I will grow in patience.