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# CALVINISM?

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TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER

10.30AM



## HOLY WORLDLINESS?

STEPHEN CLARK ~ PASTOR OF FREESCHOOL COURT EVANGELICAL CHURCH, BRIDGEND

The emphases of some believers have sometimes blinded them to the fact that the God of salvation is also the God of creation and the God of providence; others possess a more holistic appreciation of life as God's children in God's world. Stephen Clark will illustrate the problem of this dualism, and its remedies, by considering the lives, friendships and marriages of certain Christians, in which such tensions and reconciliations are often clearly revealed.

1.30PM



## THOMAS CHARLES OF BALA

ADRIAN BRAKE ~ PASTOR OF BRYNGOLWG FREE MISSION

Converted as a young man under the preaching of Daniel Rowland, Thomas Charles faced stiff opposition because of his heritage in and commitment to evangelical truth. Renowned as a preacher and as a promoter of the Bible in Welsh, he became one of the architects of Calvinistic Methodism as it broke away from the Anglican church. In his day the rushing stream of experiential Calvinism was slowing and deepening, and Adrian Brake will trace its course.

3.45PM



## THE INTERNATIONAL PHENOMENON OF CALVINISTIC METHODISM

ANDREW DAVIES ~ PREACHER AND RETIRED PASTOR

That expression of experiential religion sometimes called Calvinistic Methodism was not restricted to one part of the United Kingdom or to the United Kingdom alone. Whether we consider the various parts of the UK, what were then the American colonies, or even further afield, we find a variety of individuals in a variety of places, all preaching the same gospel and cultivating the same earnest and devotional spirituality. This paper will survey that movement.

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## LAW AND GRACE

MARK JONES ~ PASTOR OF FAITH VANCOUVER (PCA)

A storm of theological conviction, personal experience and social unrest swept over the seventeenth century and created a battlefield on which men wrestled with profoundly different perspectives on grace and its relationship to law. Some more radical and other more nuanced approaches were the topic of seemingly-endless and often-fiery contention. Mark Jones will survey the scene and offer some insights into the antinomian disputes of the time.

1.30PM



## RICHARD BAXTER AND HIS LEGACY

ROBERT STRIVENS ~ PRINCIPAL OF LONDON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Few stand as prominently among the Puritans as Richard Baxter, yet few so embody the tensions of the seventeenth century. As a pastor and evangelist, he is lauded; as an author, he is voluminous, profitable, and provocative; ecclesiastically, he stands apart from many of his contemporaries; soteriologically, his neonomianism - informed by his civil war experiences - breeds a warranted suspicion. Robert Strivens will help us assess the man and his ministry.

3.45PM



## JOHN KNOX: AN INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN

ANDREW YOUNG ~ MINISTER OF NAUNTON LANE EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHELTENHAM

Scotland, France, England, Switzerland, Germany, and eventually Scotland again: John Knox's Christian pilgrimage was as much physical as spiritual. Andrew Young will trace the spirit and the travels of a man often known more by distant reputation than by intimate acquaintance - a preacher whose fear of the Lord robbed him of the fear of man, and whose Christian character, convictions and commitments still offer encouragements and challenges to modern believers.

## ATTENDANCE

If you wish to attend all or part of the conference you must complete the REGISTRATION AND ORDER FORM (see below) and return it, with your registration fee, to the Conference Secretary. Please return your booking form as soon as possible, and by **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November** at the latest. We regret that we may not be able to accommodate those who do not book, and you are therefore strongly advised to return your form in good time.

If you know someone in Christian ministry who is unable to come solely because of financial constraints, please ask him to contact the Secretary. Such representations will receive sympathetic consideration, although we may not be able to help in every situation.

For further information please contact the Secretary at the new address overleaf, call 01924 497184, or email at <jfharris@ntlworld.com>.

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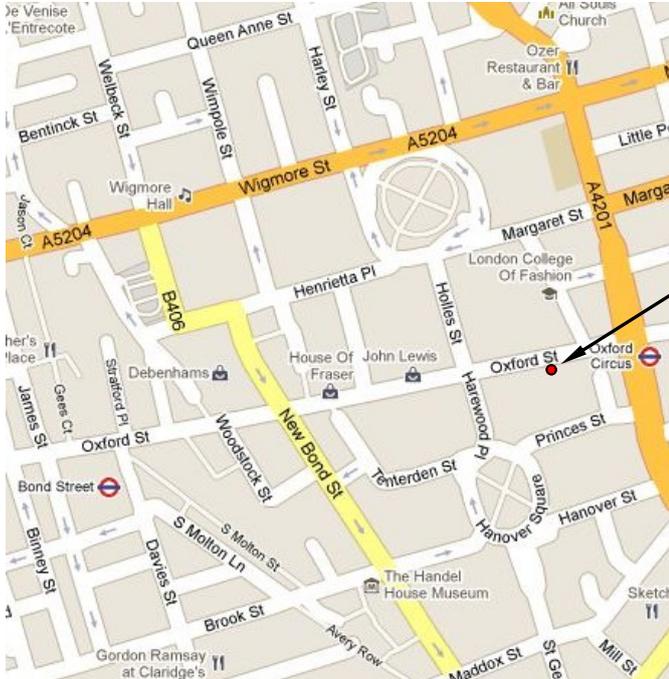
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Conference papers will be published by summer next year, God willing, and can be ordered below (£7.50 per copy in the UK, including postage). Those attending may order three copies or more at the discount price of £5.50 per copy. Past papers from 1951 are available from the Secretary and will also be on sale at the conference.

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