



***One Generation shall commend your works to THE NEXT,
and shall declare your mighty acts.***

– Psalm 145:4

Aim: To help raise leaders in the next generation across New Ground churches and create a space to enable 18-25s to grow in their gifting and grounding of the Gospel.

As the NEXT team, our heart is to see generations emerge that are confident and brave in the calling God has for them. This is why we have the following objectives for NEXT:

- Growing in identity and character with deep discipleship for each NEXTer to root their walk in Christ
- Be exposed to different areas of ministry to help understand their calling and gifting
- Serve wholeheartedly in the local church to fan into the flame the heart for mission

Therefore, the year syllabus is to give space for this – ensuring a deep grounding in theology, exposure to areas of ministry and meeting different great warriors of Faith. It is structured to give the flexibility for you to grow in leaps and bounds at your local church and further.

Below is the breakdown of the year syllabus to help give direction for what is to come!

The year comprises of four main components:

- 1-Year Bible plan
- Serving Your Local Church
- In-Person Touch Points
- Missions Trip

1-Year Bible Plan

The place where deep discipleship happens starts with immersing yourself in the Word of God. We want this year to be crucial for how you relate and ground yourself in Scripture as you grow. Therefore, we have created a Year Bible Plan that will help enable your journey!

If you struggle to keep up with the readings – don't worry, persevere! It's a journey of growth and chiselling but not of guilt or pressure – so how you keep pushing through matters.

Serving Your Local Church

A crucial part of your NEXT syllabus is serving the local church. Not only is this completely biblical in terms of seeing the Kingdom of God advance but also about giving you the practical experience in growing in the gifting God has given you. Your local church is there to shape and sharpen you as you spend the NEXT year there.

We encourage you to work for your local church at least 2 to 3 days a week. This would give time for you to be in the local community through a part-time job or being involved in different activities. In some churches, however, NEXT will be full-time. Each person's experience will be different but we believe it is right for them – so our encouragement is DIVE DEEP and GIVE IT YOUR ALL!

In-Person Training Days

It is key we spend time in community together as part of our NEXT journey. These times will be spent learning about grounding theology, having times of discussions and spending time with leaders who will encourage us within different practical areas of ministry and application.

To make the most of the year, we have planned 10 monthly training days that enable us to go on this journey together.

Each day will usually happen on the third Thursday of each month (unless specified otherwise) and will roughly have the following plan for each day:

Time	Agenda
9:30	Arrive & Welcome
10:00	Worship
10:30	Teaching & Discussion Block 1
11:30	Break
11:45	Teaching & Discussion Block 2
12:45	Lunch
13:45	Energizer for Afternoon
14:00	Teaching & Discussion Block 3
15:00	Break
15:15	Teaching & Discussion Block 4
16:15	Worship & Response
17:00	Finish

The following is the scheduled plan for the 10 monthly training days/gatherings:

Please be aware that we are currently confirming speakers. Some of the names below are yet TBC.

Date & Location	Topic	Speaker	Notes
Wed 17, Thu 18 & Fri 19 September 2025 Hope Church Sevenoaks	17: NEXT Kick Off & Discipleship 18: Devotional Life 19: Grace	Jeevs & Guests	Includes overnight stays
Thu 16 October Hope Church Sevenoaks	The Trinity <i>Atonement & Covenants</i>	Jeevs <i>Guest</i>	
Thu 20 November The King's Church, Burgess Hill	Incarnation & Crucifixion <i>Serving & Growing</i>	Jeevs Guest	
December	Break		
Thu 15 January 2026 Hope Church Sevenoaks	Resurrection & Ascension Apologetics	Jeevs Josie Galopin	
Thu 26 February Hope Church Sevenoaks	Sermon on the Mount <i>Baptism In the Spirit</i>	Rachel Wilson Guest	
Thu 19 March Hope Church Sevenoaks	Spiritual Battle <i>Spiritual Gifts: Playing your part in the local church</i>	Jeevs Guest	
Thu 26 March East End Church, Bethnal Green	London City Walk Tour <i>Loving the Poor</i>	Guest	
Mon 13 to Fri 17 April	iD Training Block (Cambridge)		
Mon 11 to Sun 18 May	Missions Trip to Holland		
Thu 18 June New Community Church, Sidcup	<i>Preaching & Teaching</i>	Guest	
Wed 15, Thu 16 & Fri 17 July Hope Church Sevenoaks	15: Kingdom Mission 16: Hearing the Voice of God 17: Fruitfulness on the Frontline & What's NEXT?	Guest Guest Jeevs & Guests	Includes overnight stays
Mon 27 to Fri 31 July	Newday – serving (and finish Internship)		

Missions Trip

As part of your NEXT year, we will be taking the students on a missions trip to a church in Mainland Europe to show what does church planting and multi-cultural mission look like. As part of the missions trip, the NEXTers will experience teaching, be involved in on-street mission and the whole experience will build to aiding a church in an evangelistic event.

Our plan currently is to take the NEXTers to the Netherlands to help one of our New Ground hubs in their continuous outreach of the gospel. The travel and accommodation cost are included within the price to undertake NEXT.

Other activities

We want to help you make the most out of the NEXT year – so you can finish it with a launchpad to grow into whatever and wherever God is calling you to.

As part of this, there are **regular mentoring sessions** with a member from the NEXT team in hub groups to dive deeper and talk about different subjects, as part of your growing journey.

We are also having **Deep Dive Discussion** sessions where we will be diving into topics on some evenings (dates to be coordinated with the NEXTers once the year starts), looking at subjects like Predestination, Different Religions, Finance and Giving.

Additionally, we want to enable you to feel like **you can help shape the year as well** – so we want to encourage you to come up with initiatives that everyone can join, for example worship sessions, bible studies, etc.

As New Ground we have links with other ministries and charities (like the Evangelical Alliance and Jubilee+) and may look to do potential sessions with them on certain topics. Though these would be additional touchpoints and cost, we believe these times would be great shaping moments as well.

Got questions?

There's more information about NEXT on the website at newgroundchurches.org/next. Or get in touch by emailing next@newgroundchurches.org.

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