

# ACT news and reports

## ACT Day 2007

**ACT's annual day-conference in Liverpool on 17 November 2007 attracted exactly the same number of exhibitors and participants as the corresponding event held in London in 2006: sixty-three.**

After Rupert Kaye (ACT Chief Executive) had welcomed everyone to the Bridge Chapel Centre he handed over to Tim Irwin (ACT Local Contact for St Helens). Tim led the time of opening worship. Rafterns were raised as the assembled throng sang the opening hymn: *Majesty, worship His majesty*.

Tim had prayed that the day and everything in it should belong to the Lord. This certainly applied to the Annual General Meeting, which was ably and prayerfully led by Arthur Jones (ACT Chair). Reports were received from Geoff Coggins (Treasurer), Rupert Kaye (Chief Executive) and Andrew Palfreyman (Overseas Secretary); ACT's annual report and accounts were unanimously approved; and auditors were appointed for the coming year.

Thanks were given for the work of three ACT Directors stepping down since the 2006 AGM: Mark Greenstock, Nicole



Scott Fellows

Ishmael and Andrew Marfleet. Five new Board Members were elected: Frances Aubrey, Barbara Bell, Hugh Bradby, Andy Langton and Carol Morrison. (ACT now has 11 Directors on its Board; one vacancy remains unfilled.)

The AGM was followed by a time for refreshments during which delegates chatted and visited exhibition stands. The new ACT mugs proved popular – over 40 were sold before lunchtime!

Harold Klassen delivered a challenging and uplifting keynote talk before lunch on

the conference theme: *Finding God in unexpected places*. After lunch Scott Fellows' talk was both poignant and inspirational. Feedback from delegates indicated that both speakers were greatly appreciated.

The day closed with a time of prayer and worship. The final hymn, *Be Thou my Vision*, reflected the sentiments of the 'Prayer of rededication for ACT and its members'.

By all accounts this was a successful day. The glory belongs to God.



## ACT mugs

**In February 2004, a 'design a mug for a Christian teacher' competition was launched on the ACT website. The winning designs were turned into mugs and, over the next three-and-a-half years, a thousand were made. Many are still working hard in homes and staffrooms around the world.**

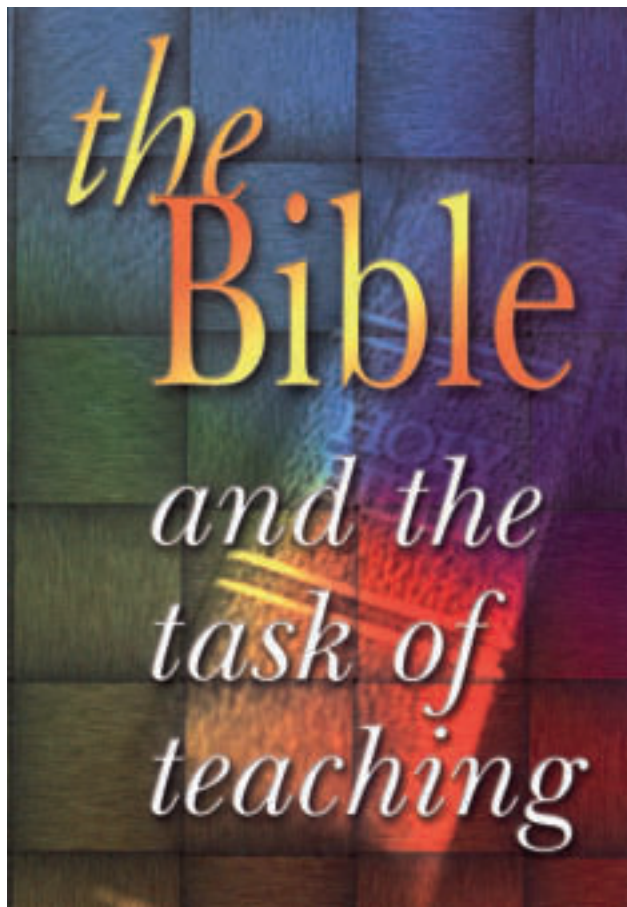
Then, in November 2007 – due to popular demand – a set of brand new inspirational mugs was launched. Each

of the eight colourful designs is hard-wearing and dishwasher safe.

ACT mugs are now available for just £2.50 each (incl. VAT) plus postage and packing. Imagine how great they will look in your school or college staffroom. Why not buy a set for your church kitchen, or keep a set at home and bring them out every time you host a prayer meeting or Bible study group?

To order your mugs, please visit the ACT website.

# 2008 National Conference for Christian Student Teachers and NQTs



The Charity Centre, 24 Stephenson Way, London NW1 2DP  
Saturday 8 March 2008, 10.30am – 4.30pm

JOINTLY ORGANISED BY:

ACT (Association of Christian Teachers) / Scripture Union  
The Stapleford Centre / TISCA (The Independent Schools Christian Alliance)



## Keynote speaker



John Shortt is co-author of *The Bible and the task of teaching* and Travelling Secretary for the European Educators' Christian Association (EurECA)

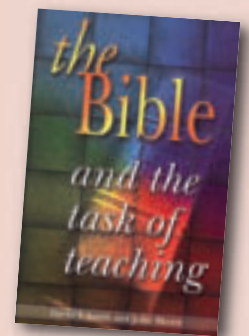
## Workshops include

- Christian approaches to challenging behaviour
- Christian approaches to the curriculum
- Offering pastoral care that really works
- How to start a Christian club in school
- Job application and interview skills
- Teaching in the independent sector
- Teaching overseas

## Cost

£25

The cost includes lunch, refreshments and a complimentary copy of *The Bible and the task of teaching* (2002, The Stapleford Centre, RRP £9.99)



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I wish to book a place on the National Conference for Christian Student Teachers and NQTs in London on Saturday 8 March 2008.

My name is (please print):

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My home address is:

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Email: .....

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I am a (please tick as appropriate):

Student Teacher  Newly Qualified Teacher

School / college / university:

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I enclose a cheque for £25 (made payable to 'ACT')

My dietary (or other) requirements:

vegetarian  vegan  gluten free  other (please specify)

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Please return this booking form to ACT office (address above)