

So who's homeless?

Today, we are confronted with many daunting statistics related to our idea of home. In Edmonton there are over 3000 homeless individuals living on the streets, a number projected to double within the next ten years. Each day within Canada there are up to 300,000 people without a permanent place to stay. Globally, that number expands to over 40 million refugees and displaced persons left vulnerable due to warfare and internal conflicts. Furthermore, the earth, the only home we have ever known, is being exploited and polluted at a greater rate than ever experienced before.

Yet, what is home? What is the significance of home in our own lives? What does it mean to be homeless? What are we separated, displaced or dislocated from?

Brian Walsh, Chris Turner and Jim Gurnett and a host of other presenters will lead us as we explore questions such as these as well as the various forms of homelessness – socioeconomic, ecological, and psycho-spiritual – creatively discovering how biblical attentiveness and the Christian faith can heal the profound dislocations in our society and within our own lives.

	January 20	January 21
8:30 am	COMPLEMENTARY REFRESHMENTS (GYM BREEZEWAY)	
9:00 – 10:15am	Home (not so) Sweet Homeless Brian Walsh	All The People Marching Home Brian Walsh
10:15 – 10:30am	BREAK	BREAK
10:30 – 11:45am	A Geography of Hope Chris Turner	Breakout Sessions (see info sheet for location)
11:45 – 1:00pm	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00 – 2:00pm	Breakout Sessions (see info sheet for location)	Inner-city Tour The Mustard Seed & Boyle McCauley Health Centre (limited enrollment)
2:00 – 3:00pm	Breakout Sessions (see info sheet for location)	
	Inner-city Tour The Mustard Seed & Boyle McCauley Health Centre (limited enrollment)	
	Plenary Session Jim Gurnett	
	Panel Discussion Brian Walsh, Jim Gurnett, Jay Freeman	

All lectures and breakout sessions are mandatory for students and open to the public. All events in GYM unless otherwise noted. Pre-registration for students in the cafeteria 11:00am – 2:00pm, Tuesday, January 19

BRIAN WALSH



Brian Walsh is a theologian and campus minister at the University of Toronto. He co-authored the book *Beyond Homelessness* with Steven Bouma-Prediger. He also wrote *Transforming Vision* and *Truth Is Stranger Than It Used To Be* with Richard Middleton, and *Colossians Remixed* with his wife, Sylvia Keesmaat.

CHRIS TURNER



Chris Turner is the author of the national bestseller *The Geography of Hope: A Tour of the World We Need*, which has earned numerous national awards and his narrated visual tour of the book has captivated audiences across Canada. He is also the author of the international bestseller *Planet Simpson: How A Cartoon Masterpiece Documented an Era and Defined a Generation*.

JIM GURNETT



Jim Gurnett works with the Edmonton Coalition on Housing and Homelessness (ECOHH), which promotes awareness, advocates and takes action on housing in order to enhance community life.

ATTENDANCE

The IS Conference replaces regular classes January 20-21, 2010. All full-time King's students are required to attend the conference. A registration table will be set up in the cafeteria from 11:00am-2:00pm on Tuesday, January 19. Avoid the rush! Register early. The conference is open to the public.

FREE CONCERT

"Lost in the Lyrics"

A concert featuring artists and musicians from King's who have prepared original or cover songs on the themes of home and homelessness!

Wednesday January 20th 7:00pm
The King's University College
9125-50 St, Edmonton
All are Welcome!

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