

YORKSHIRE PLUS REGIONAL RETREATS 2017-2018

For Presbyters, Deacons and Lay Employees



SOME SMALL HEAVEN with Ian Adams

Preparing for the gift and challenge of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany

Ian Adams is a poet, writer and photographer working with themes of spirituality, culture and human-being within the natural world. Ian's first complete collection of poems *Unfurling* is out now. He is also the author of *Running Over Rocks* and *Cave Refectory Road*, the creator of the daily *Morning Bell*, co-director of the *StillPoint* project and Spirituality Adviser for CMS.

Ian hopes that this retreat would be both a personal source of restoration, learning and encouragement for each attendee, and a resource for their ministry in the Advent, Christmas and Epiphany period coming up...

21-23 November 2017

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Retreat Cost: £180

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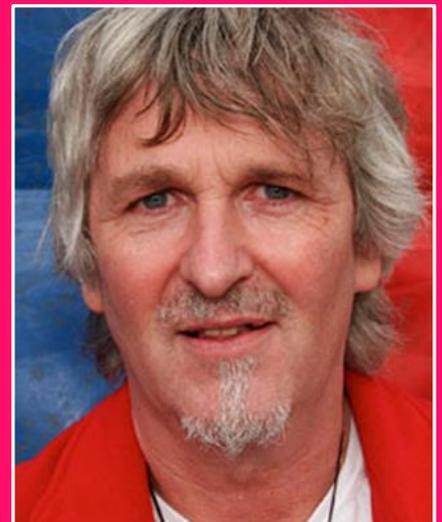
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MIRACLES



MEDITATING ON THE MIRACLES with John Bell

John Bell is a preacher, hymnwriter, composer, lecturer and broadcaster. He is an ordained minister of the Church of Scotland and a member of the Iona Community. The miracles are a blessing to some and embarrassment to others. The former are keen to regard them as evidence of the power of God; the latter suspect that one day they will all be explained away. The sad reality is that, with the exception of two in John's Gospel, we can read them in less than a minute, and so tend to skim over their purpose, diversity and uniqueness. In this retreat we will not look at every miracle, but will take time to regard them as gifts of God intended to reveal to us things about faith and humanity which words by themselves could not offer. This will not be an occasion for comparing what it says in the commentaries, but in discovering how the texts address us, our lives and our ministries



22-24 May 2018, Wydale Hall, nr Scarborough, YO13 9DG

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