

Dimensions 2: 15th November 2003

Following what I felt was God's prompting to have an evening in the City given over to Praise and Worship: Dimensions (1!) took place in September 2001 and was the scene of City Church – Methodists to Roman Catholics meeting together to build a place for God's presence in the community. That night saw a significant demonstration of cross-denominational worship with God moving many of us as He began to work out His promises. Also just the month after this event, the City prayer evenings 2C7 began where we have now seen God develop wonderful congregational unity and leadership networking. It seemed that God had His own timing in mind. For more info' on this movement go to www.saltbox.org.uk and follow the 2C7 links.

Not wanting to run another evening for the sake of it, I waited for some direction on the timing of the next meeting. Having received a number of words relating to the release of creativity, the ushering of God's people into His presence I set about organising Dimensions2.

One of the most amazing aspects of this venture is the gathering of a wide team looking after the spiritual and practical aspects of the event.



Ben (left)
was responsible for the creative use of video throughout the evening.

Steve and Danny (right)
were part of the PA team who worked hard to put together a big rig with a great sound.



Following through the creative aspect of the evening, it was great to involve the use of creative and contemporary dance. This was used as part of our worship, live with the band and independently to release gifts to the congregation. One of our local schools (St.Thomas' Primary) were involved bringing a wonderful expression to the song 'I can only Imagine'



Amy Thompson (left)
with the Dance Team
from Swan Bank

**Katy Brittain and
Katy Hibberts (right)**
adding expression to
our praise and
worship



St Thomas' pupils
bringing More
creativity to
the evening and a
sense of release
from a new
generation



During the evening we were able as a City Wide congregation, to engage in worship, pursue God's promises in scripture for healing, restoration and salvation.



Sarah, Angela and Dawn provided some great and large statements with flags and banners adding another creative dimension



The band had worked together to provide an offering to God of quality music coupled with a flexibility to usher in God's presence. It's this place that He wants us to experience. It's His presence that realises the promises and His presence that transforms our lives. I felt that there was a real significance in entering in corporately. An expression of unity and a desire to see more of His grace and power poured out. An opportunity to take on board more of His character and see this released into a lost world.



The band made up from multiple churches aiming to bring united worship and encourage God's presence



There were some deep conversations had and lives touched in many ways during the evening. It's only now as people are beginning to talk with others that I've found young people inspired and motivated to a serious relationship with Jesus. Christians broken as they realised a lack of expectancy in God. Who can tell what god will do out of seeds planted?

A number of unchurched people came to the event by initiation, out of curiosity or to support friends and family. Again, the evening seemed to have a positive impact here. 'It wasn't what I expected'. 'I'll come to another night like this'. Whilst this is not the type of evening that can or maybe should be sustained, there is a sense that when we come together and release true worship, even those who don't know Jesus can sense His presence and appreciate the reality.



As I move into a new chapter of my service to God next year, please pray that He will continue to guide me, prompt me and that I will remain faithful to pursue and draw others into His presence.

*God Bless
Paul*

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