



Nathan Blackaby, Engage Co-Chair
Executive Director of Ministry, Christian Vision for Men

Following 10 years working in Brazil, including as a Chaplain for Teen Challenge (Christian drug rehabilitation centre), Nathan and his wife returned to the UK in 2011. Nathan then pastored a church with Rural Ministries, and was also CVM's East Anglia coordinator. He now works full time for CVM. He is passionate about effectively equipping and engaging the church and individuals to boldly step out, share their faith and see a revival of men coming to faith in Jesus Christ.



Annabel Clarke, Engage Co-Chair
Chartered Senior Specialist Educational Psychologist

Annabel has worked for over 20 years with children, young people, families and professionals who support them. She is an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society, and works full-time for a large Educational Psychology Service. Her role includes developing strategic policy and practice to promote children's well-being/learning, and providing clinical supervision for colleagues. The Engage Network arose out of a specific calling that she sensed, to facilitate collaborative work between ministry leaders in order to make Christian marriage possible.



Rev Canon Dr Adrian Chatfield
Ridley Hall Theological College, Cambridge

Adrian's roles at Ridley include Tutor in Christian Life and Thought, Associate Director of the Centre for Pioneer Learning, Director of the Simeon Centre for Prayer and the Spiritual Life, and Director of Studies for sabbatical guests. For over 20 years he has been a theological educator at St John's College Nottingham, TEE College Johannesburg and Wycliffe Hall Oxford, while continuing in non-stipendiary parish ministry. Adrian helped found the Engage Network with Annabel Clarke.



Sir Paul Coleridge
Founder and Chairman, The Marriage Foundation

The Marriage Foundation is rooted in the vision and concern of Paul Coleridge. He was appointed a High Court judge in 2000 after 30 years as a family law specialist barrister, dealing with complex cases of family break up, especially those which involve children. At Easter 2014 he retired from the High Court to concentrate on the work of the Marriage Foundation.



Jason Royce
Director, Romance Academy

Jason is a youth worker with over 14 years experience within local authorities, schools, churches, and community settings. During that time he has spoken widely to many different audiences about the needs of young people in today's society. Since he joined as RA Director in February 2013, he has travelled all over the UK speaking passionately and directly about healthy relationships and how Romance Academy is empowering parents, youth workers, churches, schools and other youth organisations to tackle this crucial issue too.

Engage Leaders' Symposium 09.03.16 Speakers



Dr David Pullinger

Researcher, Author, and a Director of SingleChristians.co.uk

David is the UK's leading researcher on singleness and religion. He speaks on singleness at retreats, conferences and major Christian festivals. David is the author of 'A Desire to Belong: thinking about single people in the Church' as well as the research reports found on the website www.SingleChristians.co.uk.

David is a researcher and renowned expert on ethics in the digital society and speaks at regularly at international conferences and Christian seminars as well as having held senior strategic roles in a national church headquarters and the UK Government.



Chine McDonald

Director of Communications, Evangelical Alliance

Chine joined the Alliance as editor in November 2010 from her previous roles as editor at the Crown Prosecution Service and reporter at the Reading Evening Post. She read theology at Cambridge University, where she was also news editor of the university newspaper Varsity. Since then, she has written for several regional and national newspapers and magazines. She has a passion for reporting religion's impact on society and is an Associate at Lapido Media. She became director of communications in 2014 and manages the editorial, marketing, membership, fundraising and web teams.



Rev Will van der Hart

Pastoral chaplain at Holy Trinity Brompton and a Director of Premier Mind and Soul

Will has been developing The Dating Course at HTB. His interest in emotional health is wide ranging, reflecting his broad experience in a variety of pastoral contexts. He is an integrative and practical bible teacher who speaks at a number of national forums. He is the author, with consultant psychiatrist Dr Rob Waller, of The Guilt Book and The Worry Book. He is passionate about equipping church leaders to look after their own emotional health as well as empowering them to manage the emotional needs of their congregations.



Jackie Elton

Founder and Managing Director, ChristianConnection.com, and a Director of SingleChristians.co.uk

ChristianConnection.com is the UK's largest Christian Dating site. It also operates in other countries. Christian Connection has several thousand joiners a month, 9000 people log in every day, and it has led to many Christian marriages. Christian Connection was named "Best Niche Dating Site" in the 2013 iDate awards and was included in the Daily Telegraph's "20 most useful dating websites". In 2014, Christian Connection was awarded Religious Dating Site of the Year at the UK Dating Awards. Christian Connection is a founding member of the Online Dating Association (ODA) which was set up to ensure high standards of behaviour by dating service providers serving the UK.



Rev Nicky Lee

Associate Vicar and Family Life, Holy Trinity Brompton

Nicky and his wife Sila are the co-authors of The Marriage Book, which is based on The Marriage Preparation Course and The Marriage Course, and The Parenting Book, which is based on The Parenting Children Course and The Parenting Teenagers Course. There are 6000 of their courses running in 116 countries, in 44 languages.