

Your tutors – Tricia Johnson & Tim Davy



Tricia has lectured in Biblical Hebrew at Redcliffe for over 14 years, and wrote her own course specifically with the students' needs in mind. She has a degree in theology and counselling, and with her husband Richard, has written a commentary on Genesis. They have two daughters and two dogs!



Tim teaches Biblical Studies at Redcliffe and is currently working on a PhD on the book of Job. His first real exposure to Hebrew was when he took time off work to attend a course similar to this. That week, he says, gave him the Hebrew bug! Tim is married to Hannah, and they have a young daughter.

Hebrew Week 2009

Sunday 21 – Saturday 27 June

Two courses to choose from:

- Biblical Hebrew for Beginners
- Moving on with Biblical Hebrew

Guest speaker – Prof. Gordon McConville

We are delighted that during the week both groups join together for a special seminar led by Prof. Gordon McConville, Professor of Old Testament Theology at the University of Gloucestershire and a leading Old Testament scholar. Gordon has taught Hebrew at all levels and has written widely on matters relating to the Hebrew Scriptures.

How to book

The cost is **£350 for the whole week**. This covers over 35 hours of class time, materials, accommodation (from Sunday night to Saturday lunchtime) and food. If you do not require accommodation the cost is **£270** (this still includes all meals). Places are limited so please book early.

A 20% discount applies to those who are working with a church or mission agency.

To book your place, please send the completed form and a cheque (made payable to Redcliffe College) to:

Tim Davy, Redcliffe College, Wotton House, Horton Road, Gloucester GL1 3PT

Tel: 01452 308097 Email: tdavy@redcliffe.org

How to find us

Directions to Redcliffe College can be found at: www.redcliffe.org/directions



20% discount for those working with churches or mission agencies

Special guest seminar with Prof. Gordon McConville, University of Gloucestershire

The courses

Due to popular demand we have developed our Hebrew week to include two courses that will run concurrently; one for beginners and one for those who want to move on beyond the basics. Although the classes will be separate, the two groups will join together for devotions and meal times.

If you are not sure which course would be right for you, please do get in touch and we will be happy to chat through which might be the most suitable.

For more information visit www.redcliffe.org/hebrewweek

Beginner's course: Biblical Hebrew for Beginners

This course is designed for people who have had no previous exposure to Hebrew, or who would like to revisit the basics. Of course, we won't learn the whole language in just a week but the aims of this course are:

- ✓ To cover the basics of the language (alphabet, grammar, vocabulary)
- ✓ To work together on a variety of Old Testament texts
- ✓ To appreciate more the literary character of the Old Testament (poetry, narrative, proverbs, etc.)
- ✓ To gain the skills and confidence to continue learning after the week has finished

Intermediate course: Moving on with Biblical Hebrew

This intermediate course is for those who have already had some exposure to Biblical Hebrew, either on their own or through studying on a beginner's course. The aims are:

- ✓ To refresh, consolidate and build on your existing knowledge of Hebrew
- ✓ To work in-depth on a variety of Old Testament texts representing the different genres of the Hebrew Bible
- ✓ To develop your exegetical skills and think through some of the interpretive issues presented by the texts

Some Questions...

Why an intensive week?

Many people would like to learn Biblical Hebrew but are hindered by a lack of time, opportunity, self-discipline or confidence. An intensive week of teaching means that you are exposed to the language in a concentrated form and focussed environment. You will be immersed in Hebrew for a whole week without any other distractions.

Who is it for?

Many different people want to learn Biblical Hebrew, including students, retired people or church leaders. Why not take a week off work and do something completely different?

I'm no good at languages; does that matter?

No – we would like to try and prove you wrong! Given the right environment, you will be surprised how much you can learn.

Will I be put on the spot?

The two words that sum up our approach are “focussed” and “fun”. We all learn in different ways so we will be using a variety of teaching techniques to cater for different learning styles. We aim to make the learning environment as comfortable as possible.

What does a typical day look like?

The day will involve a mixture of teaching, small group work, creative activities, translations, games and private study. A typical day will look something like this:

8.45 - Devotions & Prayer	15.15 - Session 3
9.00 - Session 1	16.15 - Coffee
10.50 - Coffee	16.45 - Session 4
11.10 - Session 2	18.00 - Dinner
13.00 - Lunch	19.00 - Session 5
	20.30 - End of day - relax!

Sunday evening will involve a relaxed introductory session. Wednesday evening will be free. The course ends at Saturday lunchtime.

Hebrew Week booking form

Please use **block** capitals and complete a separate form for each individual booking.

Title: _____ First name: _____

Surname: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Tel: _____ Email: _____

The cost is **£350 for the whole week**. This covers over 35 hours of class time, materials, accommodation and food. If you do not require accommodation, the cost is **£270** (this still includes all meals).

Please book me a place on the following course:

Biblical Hebrew for Beginners OR Moving on with Biblical Hebrew

I require accommodation (overall fee of £350 or £280 with the 20% discount)

OR

I do not require accommodation (overall fee of £270 or £216 with discount)

If you are paying the discounted rate, which church or mission agency do you work for? _____

I enclose a cheque for £_____ payable to Redcliffe College.

Signature: _____

Do you have any special dietary requirements? Yes / No

If yes, please indicate _____

Redcliffe College would like to keep you in touch with news and events that may be of interest. If you prefer not to receive this information, please tick this box.

Please return your completed form to Tim Davy,

Redcliffe College, Wotton House, Horton Road, Gloucester GL1 3PT

Tel: 01452 308097 Fax: 01452 503949 Email: tdavy@redcliffe.org