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and share your tips, questions and resources

To Messy and Beyond Program

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| 9.30am | Doors open, registrations |
| 10.00am | Opening session, including keynote |
| 11.30am | Morning tea |
| 12 noon | Workshop 1 |
| 1.15pm | Lunch |
| 2.15pm | Workshop 2 |
| 3.30pm | Closing session |
| 4.00pm | Finish |

TO MESSY AND BEYOND

Messy Church State Conference

Encouraging and Equipping
Messy Church Teams

Next steps for Messy Churches

Christ Centred | All Age
Creativity | Hospitality | Celebration



South Australia

26 October 2019



Astronauts

Feeling – on your own? Floating about in space? A bit lost? Wondering where to next?



Star Steps

Turn to Christ: Thank God for knowing you and where you are at. Ask God to show you someone who you could talk with.

Read: Steps for starting a Messy Church (<http://messychurchaustralia.com.au/starting-a-messy-church/>) or the *Messy Discipleship Pilot* resource to consider what could happen next.

Think: How might you turn one idea into creative action? Who could do this with you?

Act: Connect with your Regional Coordinator and with another Messy Church. Find one other person to talk with about Messy Church. Pray for and encourage one another. Be creative.



Satellites

Feeling – uncertain about the impact of Messy Church? Overwhelmed?



Star steps

Turn to Christ: Thank God we can partner with God in God's mission. Ask for wisdom and patience.

Read: www.messychurch.org.uk (especially the blog), or Messy Churches in SA group on Facebook or read *Get Messy!* magazine.

Think: Find out how people of all ages are growing as disciples through Messy Church – either through your Messy Church or others around the world.

Act: Share what you find out about discipleship in Messy Church with your Messy Church team or Church Council/leadership.

Christ Centred

Messy Church, as with life, can feel messy and out of our control. Remember that we are each held in God's hands and that God promises to always be with us. Let's keep our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. Let's trust that God will guide us and our Messy Church to where it needs to be in 2020. What is your next star step of faith?



Rockets and Shooting stars

Feeling – ready to take off or already speeding along on your Messy Church adventure? Is everything working well? Or do you feel like you're flying too fast and unsustainably? Are team beginning to feel burned out?



Star steps

Turn to Christ: Offer praise and thanks to God for signs of growth and seek God's guidance for the next steps.

Read: *Messy Discipleship Pilot* resource to affirm what you're already doing and plan next steps for your team and families.

Think: Review how the 5 Core Values are lived out across your Messy Church. What could your Messy Church look like in a year? What might your team look like? Could you run a Messy Add-on? What at-home discipleship practices could you encourage families with?

Act: Plan a way to celebrate with your Messy Church team this month.



Aliens

Feeling – out of your comfort zone? A bit strange? Uncomfortable? Scared? Worried? Are people coming to your Messy Church who you are struggling to connect with?



Star steps

Turn to Christ: Ask for God's help and love to shine through you and thank God for new opportunities.

Read: *Messy Hospitality* or <https://www.messychurch.org.uk/hospitality>

Think: When you were first new at something or some place, what do you wish someone had done or said to help you?

Act: Who can you show care to this week?

