



MEDIA RELEASE

NEW MISSIOLOGIST TO JOIN THE MORLING TEAM



Dr Darrell Jackson will move into the Tinsley Institute in 2012

It is with great pleasure and much anticipation that we announce the appointment of Dr Darrell Jackson as our new lecturer in Missiology to commence in February 2012. He will replace Dr Phill Marshall, who is leaving us to join his wife in the leadership of an international mission agency based overseas.

Since 2007, Dr Jackson has directed the Nova Research Centre at Redcliffe College in Gloucester, UK. Nova is Redcliffe's centre for research and innovation in mission in Europe, where he also teaches European Studies and Missiology. He is a visiting lecturer at the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Prague, and writes regularly for mission journals and the Christian press.

Dr Jackson holds a Doctor of Theology in Missiology, a Bachelor of Arts (Hons), and a Diploma in Pastoral Studies. His doctorate is from Birmingham University and looks at aspects of missional congregations.

An ordained Baptist Minister, he has worked as mission advisor to the Baptist Union of Great Britain and more recently as Researcher in European Mission for the Conference of European Churches, based in Budapest.

He is married to Beth, also an ordained Baptist Minister, with a son and a daughter, and enjoys ice-climbing, walking and free weekends.

Dr Jackson was appointed from nearly twenty applicants who had applied from countries as varied as the USA, New Zealand, Germany and Norway and from various states of Australia. The search committee comprising Kel Willis, Michael Frost, Graham Hill, and Global Interaction's Nathan Reid, recommended his name to the Morling College Board, who agreed to appoint him at their October meeting.

The director of the Tinsley Institute, Dr Michael Frost says, *"Personally, I am really looking forward to working with Darrell. He looks like a perfect fit for our college and particularly for the work we do in the Tinsley Institute."*

Of our departing Missiologist, Dr Frost says, *"Phill and Di Marshall have contributed enormously to college life over the past eight years and we are all very sad to see them go. Phill has enthusiastically flown the flag for global mission and mentored many prospective missionary candidates in their journey to the overseas mission field. We trust that God will continue to use them both in their work with SIM in Singapore."*