



# **Church Leaders' Program 2019**



# Indicative program

## Day 1

09:00am	Welcome	Martyn Iles
09:30am	Our Secular Age: A short history	Dr Stephen Chavura Ph.D
11:30am	Cultural Anarchy? Reason and the arts untethered from Christian faith	Paul Henderson
<i>LUNCH</i>		
2:30pm	Kinsey and the Sexual Revolution	Dr Elisabeth Taylor Ph.D
4:30pm	Transgenderism	Dr Elisabeth Taylor Ph.D
<i>DINNER</i>		
7:30pm	"Truth has stumbled in the public square" – religious freedom and its consequences	Martyn Iles

## Day 2

09:00am	Separation of Church and State: Not what you think	Dr Stephen Chavura Ph.D
11:00am	Postmodernism, cultural Marxism and the millennial mind	TBA
<i>LUNCH</i>		
2:00pm	Q&A Panel	All Speakers
3:00pm	"Not Ashamed" – Opportunity for the Church	Martyn Iles
4:00pm	<i>FINISH</i>	



Martyn Iles is the Managing Director of the Australian Christian Lobby, leading a grassroots movement of over 120,000 people to keep truth in the public square and influence public policy. He spends time in the nation's parliaments, churches, and amongst ACL's many supporters. Martyn was previously the Director of ACL's legal clinic, the Human Rights Law Alliance, which has defended over 40 Australians who faced legal action for publicly living out their faith. Originally from Queensland, where among many other pursuits, he has been as a lawyer, a small business owner, and a youth worker. As an advocate for truth in the public square, Martyn strives to defend the Christian faith and fight for Christians to have the freedom to lead peaceful lives, godly and dignified in every way.



Paul Henderson is CEO of the Lachlan Macquarie Institute. Paul has lived in Europe, Africa and Asia, and has extensive experience in missions, teaching, research and public policy. He has church planted and pastored. Paul has also been director of research and programmes at Maxim Institute, a New Zealand based think-tank with expertise in constitutional, tax, family and education policy. He has worked from the Office of the Prime Minister focusing on education reform. Paul is a director in an EdTech start-up. As a former national debating coach, he is a widely sought-after speaker. He is also an established author with multiple publications and four acclaimed books. Paul is married and has three adult daughters.



Elisabeth Taylor is a graduate of Sydney University and Commonwealth Scholar. She has a PhD from Cambridge University in Medieval Women's History. In her role as Director of Research for ACL, she focusses primarily on issues relating to gender and sexuality affecting Australian government policy. Elisabeth lectures on subjects ranging from the origins and consequences of the sexual revolution, pornography, comprehensive sexuality education, LGBT rights activism and the Safe Schools program.



Stephen Chavura holds a Ph.D. in the history of early-modern English political thought. He lectures in political science and history at Macquarie University, Campion College, and the Lachlan Macquarie Institute. He has authored books on the intersection of theology and the rise of modern politics, and the history of Australia as a secular state. Stephen has published in numerous international journals and is a regular contributor to The Australian, The Spectator Australia, and online fora. His research interests include the history of political thought, church and state in history, modern political philosophy, recognition theory, and freedom of speech.



**Justice is turned back,  
and righteousness stands far away;  
for truth has stumbled  
in the public squares,  
and uprightness cannot enter.**

**Truth is lacking,  
and he who departs from evil  
makes himself a prey.**

**The Lord saw it, and it displeased  
Him that there was no justice.**

**He saw that there was no man,  
and wondered that there  
was no one to intercede...**

**Isaiah 59:14-16a**

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