

The Elijah Principle

Andy and Tom were very good friends. They enjoyed each other's company and could be frank and open with each other. Tom, who did not enjoy the best of health, fell ill due to *"burning the candle at both ends AND chewing a bit in the middle."* Andy came to see Tom with some very sound practical advice based on what happened to Elijah after his confrontation with the prophets of Baal.

1. Get plenty of rest and time to think.
2. Get plenty of good food to nourish and regain strength.
3. Get plenty of good company to refresh and give fresh impetus to your life.
4. Get time to be with God and study His word to gain a new spiritual vision.

It is out of this Biblical teaching that **"The Elijah Principle"** has come to fruition.



Who Is It For?

It is specifically designed for people who are working in Christian ministry at home or abroad and who need a time of refreshment. The Elijah Principle is a further development of the work which is already in place for SAMS Ireland Mission Partners on home ministry.

The Aim

To provide spiritual back up to those who are feeling "jaded" due to their work load and to provide for them the spiritual resources to revitalise their spiritual lives, and so further enable them to serve others.

The Outline

Individuals would come by appointment to a private house owned by the Christian couple who organise the courses.

All the resources of the home would be at the disposal of the person. This would include:

- 📖 Use of phone and internet facilities
- 📖 The use of a small, but comprehensive library of nearly 2000 books, including over 700 Biblical Commentaries.
- 📖 The use of a computer.
- 📖 And all the tea, coffee and biscuits they can consume!

The Plan

The Elijah Principle primarily deals with teaching and applying God's word to everyday life. Studies can be individually tailored and can be:

Thematical

Topical

Expository

Exegesis

Meals will be provided and if necessary, short term accommodation is available.

The Cost

This is God's work and because of that clear fact the service is free. The vision is to provide the space and the information for Christians to further develop their knowledge of the Holy God in an environment which is warm, friendly and free from pressure.

The Timescale

In the past we have found that three 2 hour study sessions, over three given days can help to *"recharge the batteries."* If necessary a longer time can be given while a stay over (up to a maximum of two days) is also available. If the individual wants to study on their own, more time can be given to allow study during the day.

Realistically due to the time needed in preparation, the number of Study Courses available is between 6 - 8 per year so please contact the SAMS Northern Office as soon as possible to arrange a time. Space may be made available to accommodate cases of urgent Spiritual need.



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