

## **Political tensions of today and the church: exploring Baptist engagement in Europe**

### **Wednesday, 20th November 2019**

- 15:30 Welcome, Devotion and Introducing of all participants | Michael Rohde
- 16:30 Erich Geldbach (Germany): Baptist perspectives on the relationship between church and state in a plural society (presentation)
- 17:30 Discussion: Identifying key questions | Mike Pears
- 18:00 Dinner
- 19:00 Contributions from participants  
Evening Devotion

### **Thursday, 21st November 2019**

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Devotion | Marion Carson
- 09:30 Helen Paynter (Bristol/Great Britain): Porous Borders and Textual Uncertainty: Why ancient Israel is no model for modern nationalism.
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 11:00 Daniel Drost, Jan Martijn Abrahamse (Netherlands): How can we seek the peace of the Netherlands?  
Jan-Martijn Abrahamse (Netherlands): “I’m proud to be maladjusted: Preaching against the Tides.”  
Contributions from participants
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 (Train departs at 14:08) Trip to Baptist Church of Berlin-Wedding (Peter Jörgensen, Volkmar Hamp) – Baptist congregation in a multireligious district | Organisation: Michael Rohde
- 18:23 Train departs from Berlin-Wedding, returning to Elstal
- 19:15 Dinner at Elstal  
Evening in The Bistro

### **Friday, 22nd November 2019**

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Devotion | Otniel Bunaciu
- 09:30 Sorin Badragan (Romania): Tensions and Approaches from an East-European Context
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 11:00 Contributions from participants  
Pulling it together: Responding to key questions  
Where next? Summary and future plans (CEBTTS 2020, Consultation Commission 2021)  
| Mike Pears
- 13:00 Lunch and Farewell