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Free seminar

God is back

Open Seminar for Danish and international
pastors and church leaders



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Exploring Culture and Christian Community in Church and Society in Denmark

Something is happening in Denmark. Public figures are speaking openly about faith. Churches report a growing interest – especially among young people. And across Europe, similar stories are emerging.

A new survey from The Danish Bible Society confirms this trend in Denmark and points to a new generation marked by curiosity about faith, church, and the Bible. Some have begun to speak of a “quiet revival” unfolding in secular Europe.

But what do we actually know about this development? How do we understand the new expressions of faith? And how do we respond as churches?

Mission has been described as discerning what God is doing and joining in. At this Open Seminar, we set out to do just that.

For this, our third Open Seminar, we are honored to welcome keynote speakers with leading expertise in this field, who will help us navigate and interpret these developments and what God is doing in our time.

Keynote speakers

Jacob Holst Mouritzen is founder of the marketing and branding consultancy Holst Mouritzen that conducted the survey “God and the Danes – The Faith Analysis 2026” for The Danish Bible Society. He is known from Danish TV and recognised for his deep insight into societal trends. Jacob has shared publicly about how he recently came to faith.

Gabriel Stephen has conducted doctoral research in theology and religion and currently serves as Assistant Professor at the Norwegian School of Leadership and Theology. His research in practical theology, mission studies, migration, integration, and ecclesiology explores how migrant experiences shape Christian communities and theological reflection in contemporary Europe.

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9:00–14:45

- Location:** Dansk Bibel Institut, Leifsgade 33, Dk-2300 Copenhagen S
- Price:** Free of charge – the organizers are covering expenses
- Registration:** Before 16 September. Read more and sign up at: kit-danmark.dk/open-seminar

Program

- 9:00–9:30 Registration and coffee
- 9:30–10:00 Welcome and introduction
- 10:00–10:45 Keynote: ‘Why do young people get attracted to faith and come to church?’ by Jacob Holst Mouritzen, Strategy and Marketing Consultant. Followed by Q&A.
- 11:00–11:45 Group discussion: How does this phenomenon look like in your church and context?
- 11:45–12:30 Lunch
- 12:30–13:30 Keynote: ‘How do we culturally and theologically respond to such a survey?’ by Gabriel Stephens, Ph.D. and Assistant Professor. Followed by Q&A.
- 13:45–14:30 Panel: A broad ecumenical panel share how they experience and reflect on the phenomenon. Moderator: Enock Nshuti
- 14:30–14:45 Closing

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