

Step into the story—literally! In this playful and powerful workshop, you'll discover how to bring Bible scenes to life by becoming a Living Statue. No lines to learn, no acting experience needed—just your imagination, a lot of body language, and a willingness to have a go!

You'll work with others to create frozen moments from Scripture—like snapshots in time—using posture, facial expression, and space to tell the story. It's creative, hands-on, and often surprisingly impactful.

What to Expect:

- Still as stone Once we've decided on our pose, we freeze!
- Silent storytelling Say everything without saying a word.
- Creative freedom You decide how to show emotion and action.
- No pressure It's all about exploring, not performing.

Workshop Details:

- Date: Saturday 8th November Time: 10am 6pm (with breaks and a time out for lunch)
- Venue: St Saviour's Church, Larkhall Bath Capacity: 20 people
- Cost: £20 per person. These workshops are for everyone. If the suggested donation of £20 is a stretch, please contribute what feels comfortable. Your presence is more valuable than a fixed fee.
- Style: Practical, relaxed, and open to everyone

What We'll Explore:

- The Basics Easy warm-ups and simple techniques to get started
- Body Language How to express emotion, relationship, and story through stillness
- Storytelling Creating powerful tableaux to accompany readings or reflections
- Optional Extras Depending on time and group preferences, we may also try short monologues or explore how to convey abstract ideas like Grace or Freedom through posture

Living Statues is always a group activity—it's about creating scenes together, not performing solo. The magic happens in the collaboration!

How do I book?:

If you're interested in attending—or if you have a group who'd like to come together—please contact

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To book please search for Living Statues Workshop on Eventbrite.

Who is running it?:

Birte Papenhausen is a drama theologian and missionary who helps people explore faith through creativity and group-based storytelling. With a background in acting and drama therapy, and over a decade of mission experience in Mongolia, she specialises in using drama and creative methods to bring Scripture to life. Birte now trains others through Arts Release and WEC International, offering workshops that are imaginative, collaborative, and spiritually engaging.

Rachel Leigh-Wood, who is currently training as a Living Statues facilitator, will also be involved in leading parts of the workshop.

This workshop is part of a Creative Bible Series happening at St Saviour's, Larkhall, Bath in November 2025.

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