

GVPC Forum – Now, what’s that about?

(1) What is a Forum?

A forum is a web application for holding discussions and posting user-generated content. Internet forums are also commonly referred to as Discussion boards, bulletin boards or discussion forums.

Our Great Valley website forum can be used by all registered users to share any information, discuss ideas or even to have theological or other discussions.

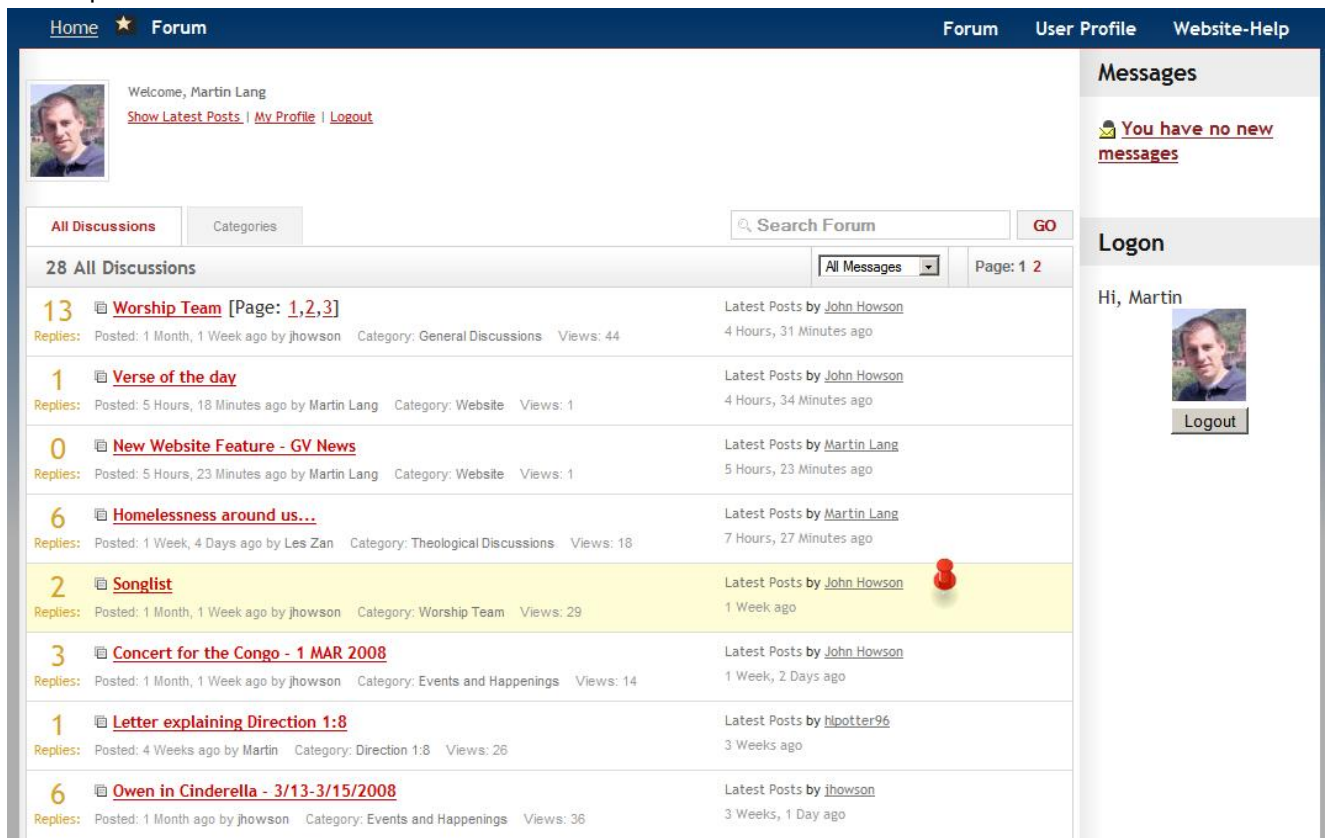
(2) How to access the GVPC Forum?

Click on the Menu “Forum” (red circled in this screenshot)



The forum comes up in the “All discussions” view.

In this view the forum displays all topics that have recently been posted or replied to. Click on any topic to open the respective “discussions”:



- (3) How to answer a post?
Click on any of the topics:

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All Discussions | Categories | Search Forum | GO

28 All Discussions | All Messages | Page: 1 2

- 15** [Worship Team](#) [Page: 1,2,3] Latest Posts by [Millie Montgomery](#)
 Replies: 15 | Posted: 1 Month, 1 Week ago by [jhowson](#) | Category: General Discussions | Views: 54 | 4 Hours, 25 Minutes ago
- 1** [Verse of the day](#) Latest Posts by [John Howson](#)
 Replies: 1 | Posted: 1 Day, 3 Hours ago by [Martin Lang](#) | Category: Website | Views: 2 | 1 Day, 2 Hours ago
- 0** [New Website Feature - GV News](#) Latest Posts by [Martin Lang](#)
 Replies: 0 | Posted: 1 Day, 3 Hours ago by [Martin Lang](#) | Category: Website | Views: 3 | 1 Day, 3 Hours ago
- 6** [Homelessness around us...](#) Latest Posts by [Martin Lang](#)
 Replies: 6 | Posted: 1 Week, 5 Days ago by [Les Zan](#) | Category: Theological Discussions | Views: 19 | 1 Day, 5 Hours ago
- 2** [Songlist](#) Latest Posts by [John Howson](#)
 Replies: 2 | Posted: 1 Month, 1 Week ago by [jhowson](#) | Category: Worship Team | Views: 29 | 1 Week, 1 Day ago
- 3** [Concert for the Congo - 1 MAR 2008](#) Latest Posts by [John Howson](#)
 Replies: 3 | Posted: 1 Month, 1 Week ago by [jhowson](#) | Category: Events and Happenings | Views: 14 | 1 Week, 3 Days ago
- 1** [Letter explaining Direction 1:8](#) Latest Posts by [hipotter96](#)
 Replies: 1 | Posted: 4 Weeks, 1 Day ago by [Martin](#) | Category: Direction 1:8 | Views: 27 | 3 Weeks, 1 Day ago

The topic comes up, click on "Post reply" to create a reply:

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Homelessness around us... (1 viewing) Martin ,

All Discussions | Categories | Search Forum | GO

Post Reply | Unsubscribe | Favorite (0) | << Start < Prev 1 2 Next > End >> | Message ID: #123

Les Zan (User)

 Fresh Boarder
 Posts: 15
 PROFILE

Homelessness around us... Posted: 1 Week, 5 Days ago

Philadelphia's homeless population has been rising these past few years. Ironically, the numbers grew as the former Mayor Street announced a 10-year plan to end homelessness in Philadelphia. I don't believe there can ever be an end to homelessness but that it can only be minimized by providing opportunities for those in that dilemma. You see, it's a matter of economics and throughout the history of man, there will always be the "haves" and the "have nots".

This being the case, where do we as Christians stand in being a part of the solution to homelessness. If what I say is true, that homelessness can never be totally eliminated, what can we as God's people do to help our brothers and sisters who live on the fringe of society? Is there theological precedent in dealing with this problem?

- (4) How to create a new posting
 On the main forum page, click on "Categories":

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All Discussions **Categories** **GO**

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15 **Worship Team** [Page: [1](#), [2](#), [3](#)]
 Replies: Posted: 1 Month, 1 Week ago by jhowson Category: General Discussions Views: 54 Latest Posts by [Millie Montgomery](#)
 4 Hours, 34 Minutes ago

1 **Verse of the day**
 Replies: Posted: 1 Day, 3 Hours ago by Martin Lang Category: Website Views: 2 Latest Posts by [John Howson](#)
 1 Day, 2 Hours ago

Pick the most fitting category for your topic/discussion:

All Discussions **Categories** **GO**

Great Valley Discussion Board
 Use this for any question or recommendations about the website or just about any other topic, that you might want to inform the GVPC community about.
 The forum is currently only visible to registered Users...

Forum	Topics	Replies	Last Post
General Discussions An area for any general discussions that you might want to kick off. Also any comments about the website or just about anything else you'd like to share	7	35	Re:Worship Team by Millie Montgomery Today 17:50
Events and Happenings Events and Happenings you would like to share or recommend	6	21	Re:Concert for the Congo - 1 MAR 2008 by John Howson 03/29/2008 09:35
Worship Team	9	26	Re:Songlist by John Howson 03/31/2008 19:47
Theological Discussions	1	6	Re:Homelessness around us... by Martin Lang Yesterday 16:39
Direction 1:8 ...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8) Discuss anything in relation to GVPC's Direction 1:8	1	1	Re:Letter explaining Direction 1:8 by hpotter96 03/17/2008 11:51
Website How can we make our website more appealing to the community around us and/or more useful for us?	4	14	Re:Verse of the day by John Howson Yesterday 19:32

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Click on "Post New topic" (either top or bottom of the screen):

The screenshot shows a forum interface. At the top left, there are tabs for "All Discussions" and "Categories". To the right is a search bar labeled "Search Forum" with a "GO" button. Below this is a "Post New Topic" button circled in red. The main content area lists several forum topics with their respective details:

- 3** [Concert for the Congo - 1 MAR 2008](#)
Replies: Posted: 1 Month, 1 Week ago by jhowson Views: 14
Latest Posts by [John Howson](#)
1 Week, 3 Days ago
- 6** [Owen in Cinderella - 3/13-3/15/2008](#)
Replies: Posted: 1 Month ago by jhowson Views: 36
Latest Posts by [jhowson](#)
3 Weeks, 2 Days ago
- 0** [2008 Star Parties - Come See God's Creation!](#)
Replies: Posted: 1 Month ago by jhowson Views: 4
Latest Posts by [jhowson](#)
1 Month ago
- 0** [Philly Phantoms & Kutless -FRI 14 MAR](#)
Replies: Posted: 1 Month, 1 Week ago by jhowson Views: 4
Latest Posts by [jhowson](#)
1 Month, 1 Week ago
- 0** [Early Easter!](#)
Replies: Posted: 1 Month, 1 Week ago by Martin Views: 10
Latest Posts by [Martin](#)
1 Month, 1 Week ago
- 12** [Vison of You 2008 Concert 2/13/2008 \[Page: 1,2\]](#)
Replies: Posted: 2 Months ago by jhowson Views: 37
Latest Posts by [jhowson](#)
2 Months ago

At the bottom of the page, there is a "Go" button and another "Post New Topic" button circled in red. The page number "Page: 1" is visible in the top right and bottom right corners.

"Post a new Message" screen comes up. Fill out as shown and click on submit:

The screenshot shows the "Post a new message in 'Events and Happenings'" form. The fields are as follows:

- Name:** Martin Lang
- Subject:** New Discussion Topic **Enter Message Subject here...**
- topic icon:** A row of icons for selecting a topic icon.
- Boardcode:** A toolbar with buttons for **B**, *i*, u, Quote, Code, ul, ol, li, lmg, URL, Hide, Colour: Standard, and Size: Normal. A "Close all tags" link is also present.
- Message:** A text area containing "Wanted to share the following...". Below the text area is a "Click here to submit your message" button.
- Emoticons:** A grid of 20 emoticon icons.
- Select Image file to attach:** A text input field, a "Browse..." button, and a "[img]" button.
- Select file to attach:** A text input field, a "Browse..." button, and a "[file]" button.
- subscribe:** A checked checkbox with the text "Check this box to have yourself notified about replies to this topic."
- Buttons:** "Submit", "preview", and "Cancel". The "Submit" button is circled in red.

At the bottom left, there is a red text instruction: "Click Submit when done..."