CHRISTIAN THERAPISTS' NETWORK

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On Saturday I went up to London to spend a day with the council of the Christian Therapist's Network. Now before anyone gets the wrong end of the stick, these are therapists in the British English sense of the word; physiotherapists, speech therapists etc, I wasn't there for *therapy* in the US sense of the word. CTN are a fantastic group and it was a pleasure to work with them for a day. They started about five years ago and their goal is to support Christians who work in the Allied Health Professions. However, they have grown beyond the point where a small group of volunteers can do everything that the organisation needs to do and they have to rethink the way they are going move on in the future. It's a real tribute to their leadership that they have come to this point.

We started our discussions by getting the group to depict how they saw the CTN council using Playdoh. This sort activity isn't to everyone's taste, but it really helps people to start thinking in different ways. By the end of the day we had a white board covered with sketches of the new organisational structure and different council members had tasks to do to get things in place - it was all rather good. It was very encouraging to hear that one of the council members had sent a text message to the coordinator saying *"...really enjoyed yesterday and excited about the future!..."*. It's nice when you can help people to get to that sort of place. Feels pretty good!