The **Methodist** Church

East Anglia

Foundation Module Training

ONLINE:

Tuesday, 20 February 2024 6:30pm - 21:15 pm

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/745983756497

Tuesday, 5th March 2024 9:30am - 12:30 pm

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Wednesday, 13th March 2024 1:30pm - 4:30 pm

Book here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/802763235447

Friday, 15th March 2024 1:30pm - 4:30 pm

Book here:https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/802764579467

Saturday, 13th April 2024 10:00am - 12:45pm

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FACE TO FACE

Tuesday, 19th March 2024 10am - 12.45pm

Book Here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/foundation-module-face-to-face-tues19th-march-2024-cromer-methodist-church

January has flown by, and it feels like it won't be long until the first shoots of Spring are with us....although as I write this my phone notifications have warned me of Snow!!!

Training continues apace, and I feel blessed to have such a wonderful group of volunteer District Trainers to support me with all that goes on.

Dates for both Foundation and Advanced Module are being added to the website all the time, and I would encourage you to look ahead to the full year if you have a need in your Circuit for Advanced Training in particular. Locations for Advanced Face to Face through until June have been set and will be published this coming month, so please get in contact with me if you have this requirement in your Circuit. The reality is that we can only deliver a maximum of two Face to Face per year per County within the District. Please contact either myself or Sarah who can support with setting up sessions.

With best wishes,

Neil

Safeguarding Forum - March

Thankyou to all of you who attended the first Safeguarding Forum of 2024 in January where we delved into Part 1 of the God Welcomes All study guide followed by an open floor discussion session. The next Forum will be on Monday 11th March 2024 starting at 7pm. My plan is to follow up with the same format looking at Part 2 of the guide entitled "Language, Listening and Hearing".

Registration is now open and can be accessed via the below link. Please pass on to anyone you feel may be interested.

https://zoom.us/meeting/99562004094

Grooming and the Church Videos

Below is a short series of videos on grooming, used by Queen's Theological College as part of their training programme for ministerial students. "Grooming and the Church" is a series of 5 short videos, produced by the former Mormon Bishop, Sam Young. Sam was excommunicated from the Mormon Church for speaking out against church policy and leaders after learning his own children had been asked sexually explicit questions by a Bishop on a one-to-one basis. These videos are filmed in a very low budget way with simply hand moving Lego figures and a voiceover, but theyt explain the stages of grooming very well.

The second video particularly offers a good alternative explanation of the barriers which a predatory groomer has to overcome to get to a position of being able to abuse a child. Video 3 and 4 look at how the institution's culture and policies can work to protect children from grooming. If you only have a short time, Video 5 offers a helpful summary in 3 minutes. Here is a link to the first video, from which you can access the subsequent 4 videos: Grooming and the Church – Lesson 1: 'You can't tell the difference'.

- Video 1: You can't tell the difference (3:57)
- Video 2: The Stages of Grooming (11:14)
- Video 3: Institutional Facilitation (4:38)
- Video 4: A Tale of Two Kids (7:40)
- Video 5: (3:11)