



July 2023

Training updates

Who needs to attend **Methodist safeguarding training** has been updated – for the most up to date list please refer to the documents at <https://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/methodist-safeguarding-training/>

Please note Circuit Stewards are now on the list for both Foundation and Advanced training.

Support for survivors

This can be found at www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/support-for-survivors/

God Welcomes All

A new free study guide related to the Theology of Safeguarding is due to be launched in Autumn 2023 and will be available from Methodist Publishing.

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Safeguarding Committee Report

The report to Methodist Conference 2023 can be found at www.methodist.org.uk/media/29494/conf-23-pc-23-safeguarding-committee.pdf

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Coming autumn 2023!

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How faith informs safeguarding

An opportunity to explore why and how safeguarding matters for everyone.

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Methodist Church Website

There is a dedicated area for Safeguarding available at [Safeguarding \(methodist.org.uk\)](https://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding)

Training

The following Advanced Module sessions are available to book:

Face to face

Saturday 5th August, 9.30am: Marton Methodist Church, Middlesbrough Circuit

Thursday 8th August, 9.30am: Great Ayton Methodist Church, Stokesley Circuit

[August 2023 - Advanced Module Face to Face: Booking Form \(google.com\)](#)

Tuesday 12th September, 10am: Strathmore Road Methodist Church, Rowlands Gill, South West Tyneside Circuit

Wednesday 13th September, 10am: Peterlee Methodist Church, Castle Eden Circuit

[September 2023 - Advanced Module Face to Face: Booking Form \(google.com\)](#)

Online gathered session

Thursday 28th September, 7pm

[Thursday 28th September 2023 - Advanced Module Online \(google.com\)](#)

The registrations for the e-learning will take place in early August. The online material must be completed before attending the gathered session.

In order to book for an Advanced Module course you either need to have attended a Foundation Module within the last 4 years, or be renewing your Advanced Module.

Any queries, please get in touch.

Thank you

Changes in the Learning Network mean that Tricia Mitchell, who has been the Regional Coordinator for the North East and the coordinator for safeguarding training, is moving on. She has been appointed the Learning Development Manager for the South East staff group.

We express our thanks to Tricia for all she has done in the region and wish her well in her new role.

Following changes in the Learning Network, there will be some changes in the administration of bookings. Once the new system is in place we will be releasing details of how to book for the following Advanced Module courses:

Thursday 5th October Bishop Auckland & Shildon

Saturday 4th November SENEA

Tuesday 14th November Online