

FIVE STEPS TO INTRODUCING A METHODIST WAY OF LIFE TO YOUR SMALL GROUP

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AGREE TO INTRODUCE A METHODIST WAY OF LIFE:

Look at the Methodist Way of Life commitment card and other resources and agree whether this is something you'd like to introduce to your small group.

Think about what you might need to stop doing in your group to make space for A Methodist Way of Life.

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DECIDE HOW YOU WILL INTRODUCE A METHODIST WAY OF

LIFE: Discuss how often you'll talk about a Methodist Way of Life together, will you do it for part of your time each time you meet or set the whole of one meeting aside each month. Will you share as a whole group or split into smaller groups?

Make a sharing agreement to agree how you will manage confidentiality, prayer, challenge and keeping everyone safe.

Ask your Safeguarding Officer if there are any safeguarding considerations to you introducing A Methodist Way of Life.

3

SHARE TOGETHER: As part of your meeting together share how things have been since you last met, then share your responses to the questions on the back of the commitment card. Maybe use one from each section or just a couple of the questions. After you've shared together take time to pray for each other.

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MISSIONAL MINISTRY: After you have been using a Methodist Way of Life for a few months consider whether there is a missional ministry God is calling you to undertake together. This will help you to live out your conversations so others come to know of God's love.

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REVIEW REGULARLY: After you have been using a Methodist Way of Life for six months and then each year review how your group is working. Reflect together on how your faith has grown. Think about whether there are others invite into the group or to start a group.

This resource was developed in the Yorkshire West Methodist District

For more information and resources on a Methodist Way of Life

please visit www.methodist.org.uk/MWOL

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