A First Move in Ministry?

The Methodist Church is pleased to offer a fully funded, 2 part, reflection and conversation space to Ministers considering a move or re-invitation for the first time. (This follows the success of a more limited version offered through the learning network.)

This programme will be available in two parts across 2020 & 2021 and is strongly encouraged for those who are considering entering the stationing process for the first time.

The first gathering comes in the spring of a minister's fourth year in ministry, at the point where decisions are being made about whether to seek a re-invitation or to enter stationing, and the second in the spring of their fifth year, once it is clear what the next few years hold. This is the point at which ministers engage for the first time with the stationing process, and where they experience for the first time the pressures of 'saying goodbye' to churches and a circuit who have held them through probation and rejoiced with them at their ordination.

Each stage lasts three days (two nights).
Part 1 will be held at   Yarnfield Park in Staffordshire   18-20 February 2020 and
Part 2 will be held in the spring of 2021 at   Yarnfield Park in Staffordshire   16-18 March 2021
Participants must have both elements in their diary.

The space is structured around facilitated small group conversation & peer review and ofcourse includes time for personal reflection and worship. The aim is to provide time and space for presbyters to reflect on their experiences in their present situation and to consider their aspirations for the future. Ministers are expected to attend **both** sets of dates.

A First Move in Ministry? bookings will be managed through Eventbrite and open on **23 September 2019** and circuits are asked to encourage Ministers affected to get involved as indicated in the Code of Practice for stationing.

If you, have any other questions about A First Move in Ministry? please contact Jane Bingham - binghamj@methodistchurch.org.uk or on 07799900487