

## Certificate in Christian Calling and Service

The Certificate is designed to be an optional extra that can be done alongside the Called to Serve course sessions, for anyone who wishes to learn in even greater depth.

It is not a required part of the course.

If you would like to gain the Certificate, it would involve doing extra reading and written work at the academic level of the first year of a degree course.

The Certificate is validated by The University of Cumbria.

### Cost

The fee for the Called to Serve core course is £90.00. This covers all the course materials, including access to our library.

*If the cost is an issue preventing you from taking part in this course, please contact your local Church who may be able to help you.*

A further payment of £50.00 per term is required (£150.00 for the year) for the Certificate in Christian Calling and Service.

## If you are interested:

**Please contact us for an application form:**

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**The Methodist Church**  
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Do you feel  
Called  
to Serve God  
in your  
everyday life  
and  
in your  
church?



## Called to Serve

Called to Serve is designed for Christians who want to grow and to serve God more fully.

The course includes:

- Making our faith more relevant to everyday life, applying it to our decisions and actions
- Discovering what God might be calling each of us to do and be
- Exploring our gifts and equipping ourselves to be able to serve God more confidently in daily life and in church
- Developing ministry and leadership in the church and community

## Who is it for?

The Called to Serve course is for anyone who:

- is a committed and active member of their local church
- is seeking to serve God more fully
- has a good grasp of the Christian faith and has already done some Christian learning

The main emphasis will be on 'serving God in daily life and work', also the course can clarify vocation for people who are exploring some kind of authorised ministry.

The course is open to Christians of any Denomination. It is a shared Anglican and Methodist initiative and is for all kinds of Christian ministry and service.

## When?

There will be three terms - the sessions avoid school holidays and will include one Saturday day-conference per term, and ten evening sessions at two hours each.



## What?

Called to Serve will be relaxed, friendly, enjoyable, exciting and practical!

Each session will include:

- Stimulating talk
- Discussion and personal sharing in small groups
- Practical activities
- Fellowship, worship and prayer

It is very important to attend the whole course, as the sessions build on each other, and we will grow through the close relationships established within the group.

In between each of the sessions, you will be asked to do about an hour of 'linkwork'.

## Where?

Each year the courses are run at locations best suited to applicants. Usually this includes Preston and Blackburn. Call us for more info.