

## Supervision Reference Group (SRG) member (advert)

**Are you passionate about helping those in Ministry? Are you interested in the work of Reflective Supervision and the impact it can make within the church? Then we may have a role for you.**

The **Ministries: Vocations and Worship team** is part of the Methodist Church and committed to transforming people and the Church through Development. The team is looking for a lay (not ordained) volunteer to work in support of the Supervision Reference Group.

### What you need to be able to offer

- An interest in helping Ministers flourish in all phases of ministry
- A warm friendly approach and collaborative/flexible working style
- A confident communication style
- A willingness to share wisdom and experience
- An ability to help others explore theological themes (what we know about God and belief) and church life
- An ability to offer constructive critique and analysis of proposals and policies
- An ability to show balance and consideration for all, taking care to meet the needs of all ages, cultures, ethnicity, gender and abilities
- A clear understanding of the importance of maintaining confidentiality
- A robust broadband connection (*current climate*)

### What you will do

- Be part of the SRG by working alongside the Chair and other specialist contributors
- Attend up to 4 meetings a year and read papers and other documents distributed in between times
- Be an advocate/champion for and promote the work of Supervision in the Methodist Church for both lay roles and ordained ministers
- Offer ideas and clear thinking into the development of Supervision practices within the church
- Offer scrutiny and clarity within discussions around policy development
- Be prepared to lead prayers and worship for the group if requested

### What the team can offer

- Training in how the group works and information about how it started
- Conversations with previous volunteers and the current Chair
- Updates and information to support your ongoing work
- Travel and other reasonable expenses as necessary

### What the Methodist Church needs to have/do

- A clear DBS check before embarking on the role if deemed appropriate
- Evidence of attendance at the Safeguarding leadership module
- Evidence of accreditation as a supervisor under the policy, a willingness to train or a Professional background in Pastoral Supervision
- 2 references including one from your minister
- An informal interview to discuss your skills and expertise
- To re-evaluate your work as a volunteer every 2 years

If you could be such a volunteer and want to know more then please contact Jane Bingham on 07799900487 or [binghamj@methodistchurch.org.uk](mailto:binghamj@methodistchurch.org.uk) On this occasion the church particularly welcomes those who offer ministry as a lay person and those who come from/have significant experience of working with people from a Black and Minority Ethnic background and/or are under 30.

To express an interest please use the same contact and enclose a 150 word summary of why you think you could be involved by 10 April 2021. After that date someone from the team will ring you for a chat and talk about what happens next.

Thanks for thinking prayerfully about this.

You can find out more about Supervision in the church here <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/ministries/supervision/>