



Marks of Mission

Questions for week 2: Teach and nurture

1. *How do we learn best, and what do we do to encourage that learning process in ourselves?*
2. *How do we share our learning with others in our own families and in our church family through our thinking and in our actions?*
3. *How might you deepen your faith in these ways (study groups)? How might you encourage others to join you?*
4. *What is God saying to you about how we - the church - should encourage the teaching of God's ways in ways which allow individuals the opportunity to meet with the living Lord Jesus in order to experience His loving forgiveness?*
5. *How can we encourage families in our congregations to be teaching God's love in and through family life.*
6. *How then do we meet others where they are? How do we allow them to tell their story, and how can we show Christ's love and life in the ordinary things of life and living?*

Questions from the General Assembly via Presbytery to be thought through

1. Congregations are encouraged to be **outward looking**, engaging with their communities and the wider ecumenical church. *Please offer **new ideas** on how this might be achieved in your parish or record how you are already promoting successful and sustained local mission and ecumenical work.*
2. For the church to find its place in the 21st Century it may have to create **alternative worship and service opportunities** differentiated to meet the needs of niche groups. *How might your church accommodate the needs of those whose sense of belonging is primarily through informal gatherings, social networks and the virtual world?*
3. As ministry teams and laity involvement grow, *how might the deployment of volunteer and paid ministry be used to **enhance Mission and Service**?*

*Everyone is invited to discuss these questions in a congregational zoom conference, from **10am – 11.30am** on **Saturday 22nd January**. Zoom log-in:*

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84351696643?pwd=Q0NoNVJQUUDlsSVhDaXIOL1AvMnk0QT09>

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