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THEOLOGICAL EDUCATORS' NETWORK

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Our Annual Summer Conference - *this year, next year...*

This year's conference 'Formation for an Engaged Church' was a great success. Set in the picturesque surroundings of High Leigh and basking in the summer sun, we grappled with a variety of perspectives on contemporary theological education.

Invited speakers provided input ranging from the nature of 'relation', and the theology of William Temple to the realities of living as community. 'Open Space' sessions again created opportunities for delegates to shape and contribute to the conference, whilst focussed networking was facilitated for mutual encouragement and sharing of resources. Along with reports from several relevant research projects, it is a wonder that so much can be packed in to three days!

Initial planning for next year's conference in Durham is already underway, with an intended theme being *Receptivity* and current research in this area. (Click on [Receptivity](#) to see the Durham page.)

If you would like to contribute to the planning of the conference, please contact s.stocks@staugustinescollege.ac.uk.

Training Day for New Staff –

Wednesday 6th February 2019

What are 'formational criteria'? How do you run a tutorial? Will I have to write reports? The world of theological education and ministerial training can seem baffling – as much to new members of staff as to new students!

In conjunction with Ministry Division, we are providing a training day for anyone new to their role, or even anyone who would like a refresher. There will be opportunities to hear from experienced staff, to discuss with peers, and to share best practice.

Do please pass details on to anyone for whom this might be of interest. For enquiries/booking, please email:
keith.beech-gruneberg@churchofengland.org

The venue could be Church House, Westminster; however, if that is not convenient please contact Keith anyway, and we will consider an additional/alternative venue, based on responses. This training day will be free of charge (subject to confirmation of venue).

Terms of employment for theological educators —

Housing or allowance? Study space or office space? Sabbatical or study leave? The Network's major report on this topic has already been finding use for several educators. If you are concerned about the terms on which theological educators are employed, the report provides a useful resource for opening up the issues, and acts as a reference point for discussions between educators and their employers. It is particularly relevant for those educators whose employment is not directly based on the 'Lichfield scale'.

**You can find the report on
our website: [here](#)**

TEN membership

If you are not already a member of the Theological Educators' Network, please do join us!

You can sign up at www.theologicaleducatorsnetwork.org.uk/

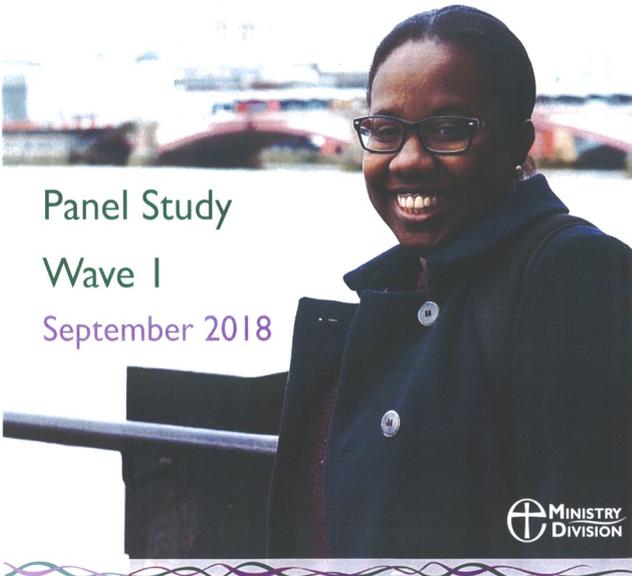
Membership is open to anyone involved in teaching or training in IME Phase 1, Phase 2 or Reader /LLM training. Our purpose is to connect and support people in such roles. Membership is free.

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Living Ministry



Negotiating Wellbeing: Experiences of Ordinands
and Clergy in the Church of England



Panel Study

Wave I

September 2018



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The latest instalment in Ministry Division's Living Ministry project has recently been published. Building on the quantitative findings published last year this in-depth research draws on interviews and focus groups with 85 clergy and ordinands to understand issues around their well-being.

It can be found at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2018-10/Living%20Ministry%20Qualitative%20Panel%20Study%20Wave%20I%20Report.pdf>

This is an important report for anyone interested in the reality of ordained ministry, and preparation for it. It presents the participants' voices describing their experiences, and there is much food for thought here for those with responsibility for training and formation.

