

Learning to Listen



Friday 20th June, 7.15 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. (session 1)
Saturday 21st June, 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. (session 2)
Friday 27th June, 7.15 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. (session 3)
Saturday 28th June, 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. (session 4)

To be held at Lymm Baptist Church, Higher Lane, Lymm.

"Many people are looking for an ear that will listen. They do not find it among Christians because Christians are talking when they should be listening. He who no longer listens to his brother or sister will soon no longer be listening to God either."
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

- This Acorn Christian Listeners' Course will introduce the idea of the ministry of listening, and the skills of listening more effectively to others, to God and to ourselves. It is open to anyone who would like to be a better listener in his or her everyday life at home, at work and at church. It introduces a safe, disciplined way of listening, but it is not a training in counselling.
- The course consists of four sessions. Each session of the course depends on the one before, and participants are asked not to enrol unless they expect to attend every session. It is recommended that those attending have gone through the *Just Listen!* video either alone or in a group. It is open to all, lay and ordained, and of any denomination, but it is probably not appropriate for those recently bereaved or currently under extreme stress.
- Sessions are practical, and you will be asked to explore some of your own concerns and feelings as you talk to a "listener" who will be another member of the group. You will not be expected to divulge anything you do not want the other person to hear. When you are the listener, you will need to keep confidential whatever your speaker shares with you.
- The course will be led by Chris Hunter & Felicity Speed. There will be a minimum number of 10 and a maximum of 18 for the group, so early booking is recommended. We aim to begin and end sessions promptly at the advertised time.
- The cost for the course will be £28. Should you have any special needs that it would be helpful for us to know about, or if you have any difficulty with meeting the cost of the course, please contact Chris Hunter on 01925 604955. We would not wish anyone to be excluded, and help with the cost is available.
- Please return the booking form below enclosing a cheque for £28 (made payable to Mrs C Hunter) by 1st June to Mrs C Hunter, 19 Middlehurst Road, Grappenhall, Warrington, WA4 2LG.

I wish to attend the Learning to Listen Course on 20th & 21st June and 27th & 28th June at Lymm Baptist Church.

NAME: _____

CONTACT ADDRESS: _____

_____ PHONE _____

EMAIL: _____

Please send me information about how to find the venue.....YES/NO.....