FAITH ON THE WAY

Worksheet 1: Considering 'Faith on the Way'

How to start

For the church council or committee who are deciding what to do about adults coming into the church.

Preparation

Read Chapters 1 and 2 of Faith on the Way ('How shall we ever learn' and 'What is Faith on the Way?').

Task

The group should meet, perhaps more than once, with the following tasks:

- 1. Work through these questions and any others that come out of the discussions:
 - (a) What is the current position in your church concerning adult enquirers? How does the church meet them? What is the quality of welcome? How many adults are confirmed? How are they prepared? What are your feelings and comments about what happens at present?
 - (b) Having read about 'Faith on the Way', what does it offer to your church? How well would it suit your church?
 - (c) If you believe your church should adopt this method, what are the decisions that have to be made?
 - (d) Who should take those decisions?
 - (e) What do you think are the main differences between what happens now and what 'Faith on the Way' offers? What changes would need to be made?
 - (f) What problems have you already encountered and what problems do you anticipate?
 - (g) How could you meet these problems?
- 2. Come to a formal decision as to whether to adopt or to recommend to the appropriate body that your church adopts 'Faith on the Way'.
- 3. If you decide in favour, arrange dates for two planning meetings.