**Curate Reflection Groups 2025-2026**

The purpose of these groups is for curates and members of the Bishop’s Staff Team to build community through nurturing together a theological inquisitiveness. This year, groups won’t study a book, but will work with multiple media and content to engage in a more diverse range of content and to accommodate different learning styles.

This year the theme will be: **Perspectives on Mission.** A suggested plan for each meeting is below, but groups should also feel free to engage with other material and shape the conversation in ways which are fruitful and most helpful for the contexts of group members.

At every session groups should take a reflective practice approach, with curates bringing examples from their own practice and holding in mind the questions:

* How is this material shaping your own approach to mission and evangelism?
* What resonates?
* What do you disagree with and want to critique?
* What have you read, watched or listened to which says it better, or differently?

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| **Meeting One** | Read at least one of the two pieces below, and come ready to discuss and critique them:  Theos (2025) *(Why) are young people flocking to religion?*  <https://www.theosthinktank.co.uk/comment/2025/05/13/why-are-young-people-flocking-to-religion>  The Bible Society (2025) *The Quiet Revival*  <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/research/quiet-revival?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=22215920336> |
| **Meeting Two** | Read the following report, and reflect on issues of migration and mission within your own context:  Theos (2025) *From Strangers to Neighbours: The Church and the Integration of Refugees.*  <https://www.theosthinktank.co.uk/research/2025/06/17/from-strangers-to-neighbours-the-church-and-the-integration-of-refugees> |
| **Meeting Three** | Watch the following lecture on YouTube:  Ruth Padilla DeBorst, *Mission as Truth-Telling and Truth-Living.*  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=coqx0uGb-Ww> |