

PART 5: LEARNING TOGETHER

1. Pass the Word

If you have found the Everybody Welcome units useful or inspiring then pass them around to everyone you know, make them go viral. Use email to send them or use social media to recommend the site.

2. Send in your Stories and Lessons from Experience

We will post church stories of going online, and lessons learnt, on our web page and use them to revise these notes to help everyone learn from you.

3. Send us Some Stories of Individuals

We would love to accumulate stories of how people have started to access church online and how they have responded. None of us will understand what's going on unless we hear the real human stories.

4. Help us with Testing

Until there is large scale testing we cannot know key facts about the C19 virus, which handicaps the effort to beat it. Our efforts to grow online church will be similarly handicapped if we don't know what is going on. Many churches are reaching people online, but others won't be. Where is the balance? The easiest way to shed light on what is going on is comprehensive surveys in small areas. 'Churches Together in X' or the 'Deanery Chapter of Y' or the 'Z Circuit' would ask all churches in their area to fill out a very short questionnaire we will provide and send the results in to us. We will analyse and share the results. When results are in from several areas or groups we will have a pretty good idea of the patterns of response and new insights into which responses seem to be working best.

Just drop us an email and we will supply the questionnaire and all you need to conduct your survey. Then send us the filled-in forms and we will analyse and report.

5. Offer your Expertise

We're good on books and people but not so good on tech, devices and social media. Let us know if you can offer good relevant expertise to improve our offerings. Or if you may be available to help churches sort out their tech issues.

We'd especially love to hear more stories of individuals connecting with online church as these develop everyone's human understanding of what is drawing people to church, God and faith at this time.

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