

Training for Learning and Serving

What is Training for Learning and Serving?

Training for Learning and Serving (TLS) is made available by the United Reformed Church to enable people to enrich and develop their walk with God. It is not so much a programme more an experience which encourages people to explore personal discipleship in church and community contexts and to combine theory with practice.

Who is it for?

TLS is for:

- Those who feel they have much learning and those who feel they have little.
- Those who want to explore their faith just out of personal interest and those who are looking to widen their opportunities to serve God in the future.
- Those who are interested in exploring calls to accredited ministries in the United Reformed Church and those who simply want to be more effective in their current spheres of ministry.

How does it work?

There are:

- Units to study at home.
- Occasions to meet and talk with people on similar journeys under the guidance of tutor-facilitators.
- Opportunities to apply what you are learning in local contexts.
- For those who wish, assignments to deepen understanding in specific areas.

How do I find out more?

There are two forms of TLS

TLS Local Introductory Training Experiences (LITE) are short stand-alone courses that can be started at any time of the year and offer low cost, accessible materials designed for a blend of individual and group engagement. It is possible to combine them in order to meet the requirements for the URC's denominational recognition for a range of lay ministries. *Click [here](#) and the image below to learn more.*



TLS One-year Courses running from September to June blend individual study material, fortnightly group sessions, three residential weekends and practical service. Each course may be taken for faith development (Pathway 1) or recognised service (Pathway 2). *Click [here to link](#) to the One Year Course*

