



Agenda for a training evening

this needs matching to the html file and the pdf altering: Below is a suggested outline for a training evening for parish visitors and in the sidebar are links to resources that will help facilitate the evening. It is a fairly full agenda that will need some careful preparation. No apology is made for this because of the value to both the persona visited and the parish visitor.

1. Welcome
2. Opening prayer and Bible reading 2 Cor 9:1-5
3. Talk part one - (PowerPoint option)
 - a. What is Giving in Grace?
 - b. Why Giving in Grace is different: the principle of differentiation.
 - c. Why Giving in Grace is important in *the parish*
 - d. Why visiting is important.
 - e. Why you have been asked to be a visitor.
4. Discussion on principles and issues in twos over refreshments
5. Timetables and deadlines
6. What happens on a visit
 - a. Beforehand
 - b. Arranging visits
 - c. Opening the Conversation
 - d. Dealing with the issues: *Parish plans and finances; Gift aid; Standing orders; Envelope scheme; Pastoral problems*
7. The Handouts pack
 - a. Brochure, letter and response forms
 - b. Additional literature - GA, SO, Envelopes
 - c. Completing the GA declaration, SO form
8. Talking through the handouts
9. Making a decision: will you respond to the call?
10. Closing prayer