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Questionnaire for members and friends of Essex Church

I am enclosing a copy of the questionnaire which is being sent to every member of Essex Church and to 'friends' of the congregation who have asked to be involved. This forms part of my research for the dissertation I am completing as part of my ministry training at the Partnership for Theological Education up in Manchester.

The questionnaire has been partly designed by a group of people attending a research evening here at the church and its aim is to find out more about people who are connected with Essex Church. My commitment is that no-one will be identified by name in my dissertation and that neither individuals nor the church will be in any way harmed by anything I write. The final document will be read primarily by my tutor and examiners but might be available also in the college library and here in the church library. I am assuming that everyone who returns a completed questionnaire to me is happy for their answers to be quoted in the dissertation.

Like all questionnaires this one will have flaws that we won't discover until everyone tries to fill it in. But it is not essential that it be filled in 'correctly'. I am interested in anything and everything that people might write about this topic of 'believing and belonging'. It will also be fine to answer very briefly or miss questions out altogether.

It would be very helpful if you could return this questionnaire by July 10th if at all possible or let me know if you want to fill it in but cannot meet that deadline. I would also be very happy to talk to you on the phone if you have any queries or come and visit and help fill it in.

This research could not happen without support from our congregation so please accept my thanks to you all.

With all good wishes

Sarah Tinker