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Domestic Violence Workshop

This workshop explores material based on work experience, *Restored* (an international Christian alliance working to transform relationships and end violence against women), and from the International Anglican Family Network. Participants will explore domestic violence:

- as an adult protection issue that requires a refocus from relationship counselling to risk assessment and response
- as a child protection issue that requires child safety to be paramount
- as something that happens within clergy and other church families – how do we develop eyes to see, ears to hear and the will to respond?
- as a world-wide challenge, with both similarities and differences in the way family and gender-based violence operates in different contexts.
- a challenge to our faith: some perpetrators use the Bible as a tool of oppression. Can it also be a vehicle for liberation?

About the presenter:

Elizabeth Hall

Since May 2010, Elizabeth has worked for the church in a combined role as the safeguarding adviser (adult and child protection) for the Church of England and for the Methodist Church of Great Britain (covering England, Wales and Scotland). She has responsibility for the development of policy and seeks to support good implementation, along with the development of training materials across the dioceses and Methodist districts. She also provides support in relation to high profile cases.

Previously, Elizabeth was the Head of Safeguarding for Cafcass, the Children and Family Court Advisory Service in England. In this role she led on the development of new models for working with domestic violence in the family courts, along with the development of supportive training materials. This involved helping the courts to refocus on domestic violence as a child and adult protection issue rather than a tactic within family court battles. In this role she worked closely with a range of domestic violence partners including the police, Women’s Aid and independent DV advocates.

Elizabeth is a qualified social worker who holds a BA in social administration; an MA in Child Protection Studies and a post-graduate certificate in social care leadership. She also holds qualifications in youth work and in HIV/Aids Counselling.