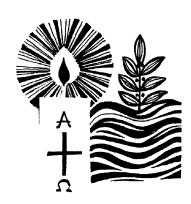
### What is spiritual direction?

- a ministry deeply embedded in Christian tradition
- walking alongside another in a journey with God
- a relationship which helps us to attend more closely to the movements of God's spirit in our lives



# Training in the Art of Spiritual Direction

#### Course details

#### **Dates:**

September 2015 – August 2016 Wednesdays weekly 7.30 – 9.30

#### Venue:

St Andrew's Church Centre, Shottery, Stratford Upon Avon.

**Cost:** £100 per term (Retreat and Quiet days extra)

#### **Content outline**

#### Term 1:

#### To begin at the beginning

Exploration and clarification of what spiritual direction is – and is *not*.

Practice rooted in Scripture.

#### Term 2:

#### **Essential Items**

Spiritual Exercises;
Prayer, Scripture
Rule of Life.
Human development - secular and
Christian perspectives.

### Term 3 Beginning and Sustaining the Journey

Practical guidelines, case studies and supervision.

## What practical things must be in place before starting the course?

Be member of a worshipping Christian community

Have completed an approved listening skills course\*

Have a spiritual director\*\*

Have undertaken a Retreat in Daily Life\*\*\*

Be able to provide references from incumbent/pastor of current church and another Christian in good standing with the Church.

Attend a selection interview

#### **Further information**

\*A seven-session Listening Skills course will run from January 2015 Venue: St john the Baptist Church Hall, Berkswell.

\*\*A network of spiritual directors is being developed and we can facilitate introductions.

\*\*\*This will be offered in the summer term 2015.

Applications to be received by **30 April 2015** 

Application forms and further information can be obtained from:

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Are you called to be a Spiritual Director?



