

Interview questions

Interviewing someone who is either already involved in fostering or adoption, or someone who has experience of being in care, is a great way to explore the topic together as a church family.

Make sure you discuss questions beforehand so people being interviewed can think about what they might want to say, and to ensure you don't include questions that they do not want to answer.

If you took part in Adoption Sunday last year, or featured fostering or adoption on Mother's Day or Father's Day, this could be a great opportunity to share some examples of how it inspired people in the congregation.

If there is no one in your church who you could interview then send us an [email](#) and we will do everything we can to find someone who could come to your service and be interviewed.

Here are some example questions which you might use to help shape this slot:

Setting the context

- How long have you been an adoptive parent/foster carer?
- How old were you when you became a foster child?
- What motivated you to foster/adopt?
- Can you tell us a bit about how you started your journey?

Understanding a bit more

- How has your faith impacted your approach to fostering/adoption?
- What are some of the challenges that you've had to overcome?
- Can you tell us about some of the highlights?
- What's been most surprising about your journey?
- What have you learnt about God through fostering/adoption?
- How has church played a part in your family?

How the Church can play its part

- What has been the most helpful thing someone else has done to support you or your family?
- What more could the church community do to help people who are fostering/have adopted? What would help your children/young people flourish?
- What would you say to someone considering fostering/adoption?

