The United Reformed Church

Useful links and resources

Some suggested organisations who can provide information, advice and support.

Samaritans

A crisis helpline, providing a listening service for any worries or concerns: www.samaritans.org

Telephone: 116 123

Victim Support

Independent charity supporting victims of crime: www.victimsupport.org.uk

Children

Barnardo's

Older people

Age UK

Support and advice services for older people: www.ageuk.org.uk

Advice Line: 0800 678 1602

Alzheimer's Society www.alzheimers.org.uk

Telephone: 0333 150 3456

Anna's Chaplaincy

Offering spiritual care in later life: www.annachaplaincy.org.uk

Telephone: 01865 319 700

Faith in Later Life

Providing resources to help churches support older people, including guidance on developing a dementia friendly church:

www.faithinlaterlife.org/fll-resource/developing-dementia-friendly-churches-livability/

Hourglass (previously Action on Elder Abuse)

Provides information and support to an older person or anyone concerned about an older person who is at risk of, experiencing or recovering from any form of abuse or neglect: www.wearehourglass.org

Helpline: 0808 808 8141

Linking Lives

Helping churches run befriending schemes and reduce loneliness amongst older people: www.linkinglives.uk

People with additional needs

Additional Needs Alliance

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Mental health

Hub of hope

UK-wide mental health service database which lets you search for local, national, peer, community, charity, private and NHS mental health support: www.hubofhope.co.uk

Kintsugi Hope

Mind

Providing a range of advice and services on mental health: www.mind.org.uk

Renew Wellbeing

Helps churches open spaces of welcome and inclusion in partnership with mental health teams to improve mental and emotional wellbeing: www.renewwellbeing.org.uk

Rethink

Providing services and advice to those severely affected by mental illness: www.rethink.org

Shout

SurvivorsUK

Helping men who have been sexually abused and raises awareness of their needs. Sexual violation includes both childhood sexual abuse and adult sexual assault/rape: www.survivorsuk.org/ways-we-can-help/

Telephone: 0808 800 5005

The Survivors Trust

An umbrella agency for over 135 specialist voluntary sector agencies providing a range of counselling, therapeutic and support services working with women, men and children who are victims/survivors of rape, sexual violence and childhood sexual abuse: www.thesurvivorstrust.org

Thirtyone: Eight Listening Service

Telephone service which offers the chance for adults with lived experience of abuse to talk æà [~cÁc@^ā¦Á^¢]^¦ā^}&^•Áā}Áå^cæā|Áæ}åÁā}Á&[},å^}&^Á¸āc@ÁæÁ•^}•ācāç^Á|ā•c^}^!KÁ www.thirtyoneeight.org/safeguarding-services/consultancy/listening-service/

Modern slavery

Clewer Initiative

Seeks to raise awareness of all aspects of modern slavery and help support victims and vulnerable groups by mobilising local churches and communities: www.theclewerinitiative.org

Hope for Justice

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UK Modern Slavery and Exploitation Helpline www.unseenuk.org

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