The Methodist Church’s first Domestic Abuse Webinar aimed to promote awareness of domestic abuse and look at how as a church we can begin to tackle this and respond appropriately to victims/survivors.

The programme included an interview with the Domestic Abuse Commissioner, Nicole Jacobs.

Other speakers included

* Mandy Marshall, Co-Founder and previous Co-Director of the domestic abuse charity Restored (now the Director for Gender Justice for the Anglican Communion)
* The Revd Helen Cameron, Chair of Northampton District
* The Revd Dr Jonathan Hustler, Secretary of the Methodist Conference

There were also contributions from domestic abuse survivors.

The Vice-President and President of the Methodist Conference opened and closed the proceedings.

The webinar is available for viewing at:

[https://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/domestic-abuse-webinar-tuesday-24-november-2020/?utm\_source](https://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/domestic-abuse-webinar-tuesday-24-november-2020/?utm_source" \t "_blank)

*Please find below some helpful resources*

Here is the resource from the Anglican Communion on Domestic Abuse & COVID-19:  
[How Churches Can Respond (available in multiple languages](https://www.anglicancommunion.org/mission/gender-justice.aspx" \t "_blank)

[Research infographic highlighting key results of academic research on domestic abuse within churches across Cumbria](https://www.restored-uk.org/resources/infographic-baseline-research/" \t "_blank)

[Free survivors handbook available from Restored](https://www.restored-uk.org/resources/survivors-resource/" \t "_blank)

[Domestic Abuse and Young People from Safe Lives](https://safelives.org.uk/sites/default/files/resources/Safe%20Young%20Lives%20web.pdf" \t "_blank)

[NSPCC report on](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/research-reports/standing-own-two-feet-report.pdf" \t "_blank)Disadvantaged Teenagers, Intimate Partner Violence and Coercive Control

[Research into Abuse within young people's relationships (mentioned by Mandy Marshall)](https://www.reducingtherisk.org.uk/cms/content/abuse-within-young-peoples-relationships" \t "_blank)

[The Anglican Communion has a host of events happening now that you can join in](https://iawn.anglicancommunion.org/resources/the-16-days-of-activism.aspx" \t "_blank)

[Restored has a primary school education resource](https://restored.contentfiles.net/media/resources/files/Restored_Primary_Resource_2016.pdf" \t "_blank)

[Restored church pack - including some theology](https://www.restored-uk.org/resources/ending-domestic-abuse-church-pack/" \t "_blank)

[The Domestic Abuse bill can be found here](https://services.parliament.uk/bills/2019-21/domesticabuse.html" \t "_blank)

**[Sources of support are here](https://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/domestic-abuse-webinar-tuesday-24-november-2020/domestic-abuse-support-services/" \o "Domestic Abuse - Support Services" \t "_blank)**

*The Methodist Church seeks to offer a safe place for all people in its worship and community life and holds that domestic abuse in all its forms is unacceptable, inconsistent and incompatible with the Christian faith.*