

We encourage congregations to make the following pledge:

CONGREGATION/PARISH PLEDGE FORM

DATE:

We, the congregation/parish of

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Having listened to our young people,

We have become more aware of the many challenges faced by young adults: the trauma they have suffered and continue to suffer; the way they have been misunderstood and disregarded; the way they are being marginalized by systems within the Church and in society.

So many of our families are unfortunately not the model that Jesus calls them to be. Much of our society needs healing. In its current state, it leaves our young people without much hope.

We confess that we have not always been fully aware of and sensitive to this. We ask our loving God to forgive us and to empower us and the young people whom God has entrusted to us.

We are aware that nature abhors a gap, and that the gaps felt by our young people can easily be filled by negative forces. We will seek to continue to create safe and brave spaces for our young people. We will collaborate with as many others as possible, and especially with the Volmoed Youth Leadership Training programme (VYLTP).

We commit to direct whatever resources and capacities we can gather, to this important and critical ministry.

We now therefore pledge to support and minister to especially our young adults, and to empower and trust them in the same way that Jesus entrusted his ministry to those who were his disciples.

So help us God.

Signed by:

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