

Project Violet Requests for Change – R17

Short title	Access fund for translocal life and learning
Identifying number	R17
Request for action by	Ministries Team and Associations
Text of request	<p>Baptist life depends upon the active participation of Ministers in translocal life, whether that is attending events, acting as a representative on Association and national bodies, or representing Baptist life to the wider world. For Ministers to flourish and sustain ministry they need access to Ministers conferences, CMD, and sabbaticals.</p> <p>Some Ministers are in appointments where there are funds to support their participation in translocal life and their development. Other Ministers are not. Some Ministers have additional needs which need accommodation to facilitate their participation.</p> <p>The requests for change are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministries Team and Associations collaborate to establish an Access Fund which creates a level playing field for needs not met by the current CMD fund • Funding to be sought for colleges who have a developed a speciality in training Ministers with a disability
Relevant co-researcher reports	<p>Is it easier for female Baptist Ministers to flourish as Chaplains in the NHS than in local Baptist churches and translocal Baptist life?</p> <p>The experiences of Deaf women Ministers</p> <p>Ministering through the menopause</p>
Relevant Theological Reflections	Group 2
Location on Requests Map	Ways of working - Terms and conditions

Agreed at the Project Violet Co-researchers conference on 17 April 2024.