

How to use Positive Faith

Positive Faith is a website which can be used by you, for your own support, to support others or because you have decided as a Christian to ensure your church and community can make steps to create welcome for people living with HIV.

The videos are presented in a certain order but are distinct from each other, and can be used creatively. Our videos are honest but encouraging in tone.

- Living with HIV – Pastoral videos directly addressed to people living with HIV, tackling a range of issues straight on that might be affecting someone recently diagnosed, or who may have been living with HIV for some time.
- HIV and Faith Matters – formed of interviews with people living with HIV and theologians and church and lay leaders. People living with HIV may find these videos encouraging and useful, and for churches, schools, clinics etc, they offer an increased awareness the HIV journey for people of Christian faith.
- Church, Community and HIV – these videos are also in the same format as the 'HIV and Faith Matters' but have Christians in mind. Not just for pastors and ministers, but also members of the congregation, parishioners, school teachers, youth workers, trainers and so on.

Positive Faith Guides in Resources will give ideas on how to use this material in a range of faith, health and educational settings. Some are still in production but in the meantime any video you choose to show / watch will create discussion.

Also in the Resources section includes is a range of material you could use in your church, in sermon planning, discussion based events, health days, further reading and campaigning. We have combined our own material and pre-existing resources that relate well to the content of this website. If you feel something is missing do let us know.

If your basic awareness of what HIV is and how it is transmitted and treated needs a bit of an update, please watch the videos by Body and Soul charity in the section Church, Community and HIV

With participants talking honestly to camera makes for powerful viewing and shows, please be prepared to support those who might be upset and affected when planning to show these videos.

We have included information about all those on the films in our Biographies section of this website.

Involvement of people living with HIV is central to this resource – the MIPA principle – the Meaningful Involvement of People Living with HIV. Please watch the video 'Participation and Involvement' in Church, Community and HIV to understand more. We

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encourage you to make links your local HIV organisation or group as a starting point (www.aidsmap.com or call THTDirect 0808 802 1221)

The 'All are Welcome in this Place' poster in [Resources](#) is free for you to use (as are all the resources) and will indicate to anyone affected by HIV know that this is a safe place to be.

Please let us know how you get on with this website by taking our survey.

Thank you and God Bless

CAPS team