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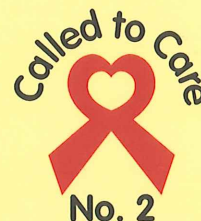
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Making it Happen

A guide to help your
congregation do
HIV/AIDS work

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The **CALLED TO CARE** toolkit consists of practical, action-oriented booklets and mini-manuals on issues related to HIV/AIDS, designed for use by church leaders, especially in sub-Saharan Africa. The purpose of the materials is to enable pastors, priests, religious sisters and brothers, lay church leaders and their congregations and communities to:



- ☐ Reflect on and understand the spiritual, theological, ethical, health, social and practical implications of the HIV epidemic and the Christian call to respond with compassion.
- ☐ Overcome the stigma, silence, discrimination, denial, fear and inertia that inhibit church and community action to address HIV/AIDS-related issues more effectively.
- ☐ Guide their congregations and communities through a process of learning and change, leading to practical, church-based actions to help individuals, families and communities reduce the spread of HIV and mitigate the impact of the HIV epidemic.

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