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# GUIDELINES FOR DIALOGUE

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FAITH.  
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FRIENDS.  
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LIVES.**

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# GUIDELINES FOR DIALOGUE TRANSFORMING OUR ENCOUNTERS WITH OTHERS

Learning to explore faith in healthy ways is an important skill for life. These simple guidelines ensure a safe place for young people to talk faith, make friends and change lives.

**LISTEN  
TO WHAT  
EVERYONE  
HAS TO SAY**

**DO NOT TELL  
OTHERS WHAT  
THEY BELIEVE,  
BUT LET THEM  
TELL YOU**

**DO NOT FORCE  
PEOPLE TO  
AGREE WITH  
YOUR VIEWS**

**ACKNOWLEDGE SIMILARITIES AND  
DIFFERENCES BETWEEN OUR FAITHS**

**SPEAK  
POSITIVELY OF  
YOUR FAITH,  
RATHER THAN  
NEGATIVELY  
ABOUT OTHER  
PEOPLE'S**

**MAKE EVERY  
EFFORT TO GET  
ALONG WITH  
EVERYONE  
REGARDLESS  
OF THEIR  
FAITH, GENDER,  
ETHNICITY  
OR AGE**

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**DO NOT JUDGE  
PEOPLE HERE  
BY WHAT SOME  
PEOPLE OF  
THEIR FAITH OR  
COMMUNITY DO**

**DO NOT TREAT  
SOMEONE AS A  
SPOKESPERSON  
FOR THEIR FAITH  
OR CULTURE**

**BE HONEST IN  
WHAT YOU SAY**

**RESPECT OTHER  
PEOPLE, EVEN  
IF YOU DISAGREE  
WITH THEIR  
VIEWS**

**AT ANY STAGE YOU  
CAN ASK FOR A  
DISCUSSION  
TO BE STOPPED  
IF YOU FEEL  
UNCOMFORTABLE**



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