

Project Violet Requests for Change – R29

Short title	Access to debt and budgeting advice for Ministers-in-Training
Identifying number	R29
Request for action by	Colleges, Ministries Team
Text of request	<p>Training for ministry puts significant financial pressure on some Ministers-in-Training and their families. There is a conflict between colleges having a pastoral and academic relationship with students which involves evaluation of their progress and acting as informal financial advisers.</p> <p>The request for change is: Colleges and Ministries Team identify a provider of debt and budgeting advice that Ministers-in-Training can access independently and make that known during the application process.</p> <p>The ideal would be an England and Wales provider who could be briefed on the nature of Baptist ministerial training.</p> <p>Note the need for access in BSL and Welsh.</p>
Relevant co-researcher reports	<p>Enabling women to prepare for ministerial training so they engage and flourish as Ministers-in-Training</p> <p>Understanding the financial barriers to training and accreditation for women whose calling is recognised</p>
Relevant Theological Reflections	<p>Group 1</p> <p>Group 3</p>
Location on Requests Map	Vocational pathway - Phase II

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