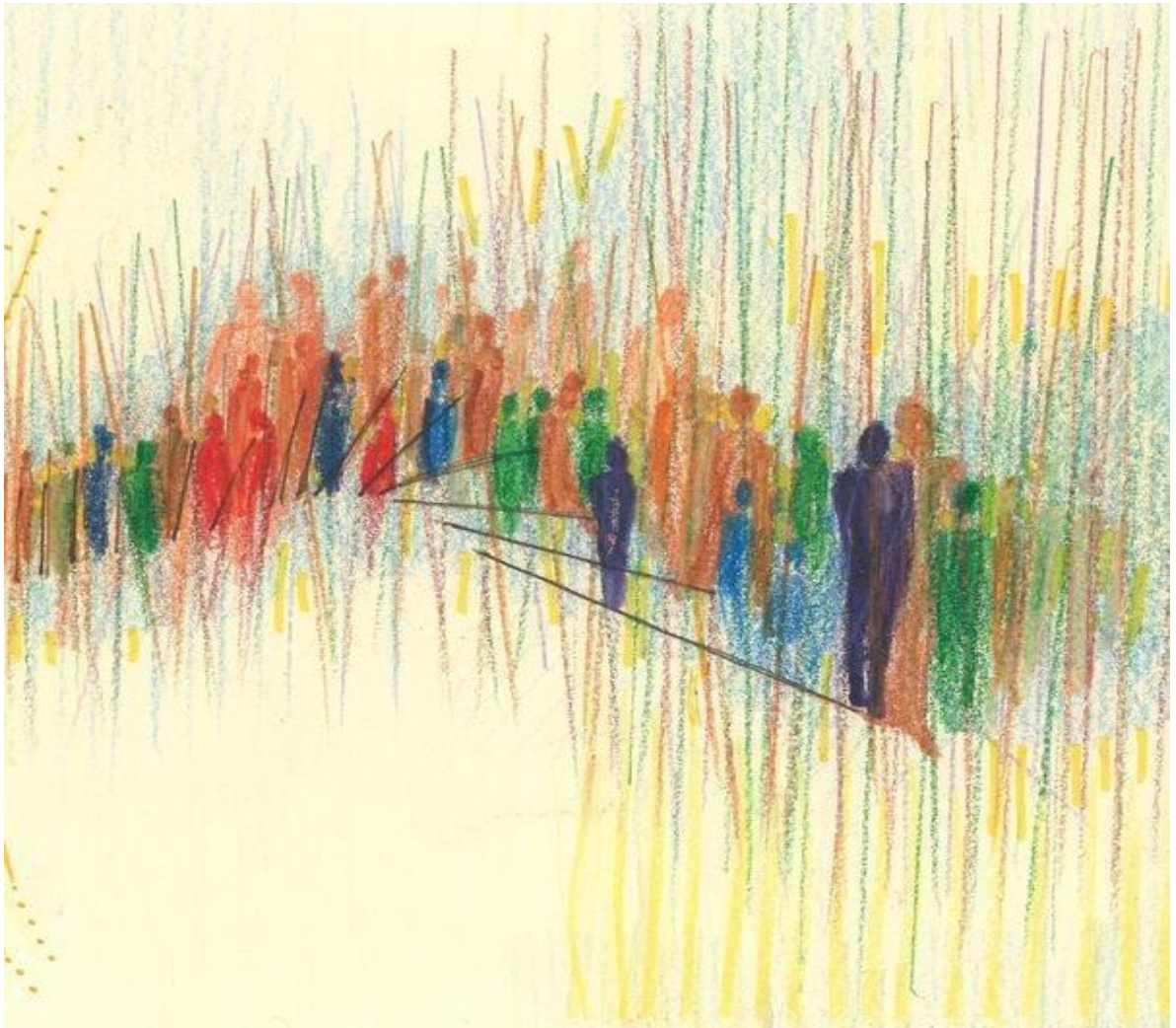


# @home in a strange place



off the shelf  
a ready to use series for sacred conversation  
'moved'

## introducing sacred conversation on migrating

'Sacred conversation' on migrating is aimed at local churches and/or church related groups to help in the exploring of issues around moving/migrating.

'Sacred' alongside conversations is intentional. It underscores a faith and biblical perspective on lived experiences and encounters. It invites honest engagement, intentional listening, transforming relationships and commitment to a different vision of home and belonging.

Working the theme '*at home in a strange place*', it is hoped that the resources: can generate a series of 'conversation points' to help people reflect together on their experiences, stories and encounters; and create opportunities for churches to connect faith, worship, advocacy, solidarity and practical engagement.

What follows here are some suggested conversation points that you may use as you find appropriate. It is not intended to be prescriptive. Consider these suggestions as pointing to possible ways of shaping your own conversation. At the end we have also provided pointers to additional resources.



All the materials can be located on line at <http://www.urch.org.uk/at-home-mission.html>. Read especially the *@home in a strange place* flyer which offers suggestions on ways the materials can be used. Also, on this page materials will be added as received and suggested.

May our sacred conversations lead to deeper reflection, conversion of minds and attitudes *and* concrete acts towards a new vision of home and belonging in our common humanity!

Good adventure in your 'table talks'!

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We would very much appreciate if you can kindly provide us with any feedback that would help us to improve this and any of other the resources we have put together. Please use the feedback form which can be found among the online resources [titled your feedback matters].

## stepping out

Here is an invitation to listen to an audio recording.

It will be challenging as you are invited to step out of your familiar world to listen to a variety of voices that will be different from what you may be familiar with.

Be open and bold.

Listen to the audio recording of *moved* [this can be found on the United Reformed Church's webpage at <http://www.urc.org.uk/at-home-mission.html>]

To aid your listening, you may wish to follow the *moved transcript* also found at the above web location.



## going further

### Questions for conversation

These questions are in no particular order. This means a conversation can begin around any of the questions suggested below. Or you may have your own. If you prefer to hear the questions, an audio recording can be found at <http://www.urc.org.uk/at-home-mission.html>

- Do you look back on somewhere (or some time) with nostalgia? Why?
- “If you live somewhere, you feel confident in somewhere, peaceful and with good security I think it can be your perfect home.” What might the story be behind these words?
- “We are all here temporarily, after all,” said one contributor. Do you agree?
- What’s the longest you’ve ever been separated from those you love? How did you feel?
- Have you heard the term ‘survival migration’? What do you think this refers to?
- Do your dreams ever keep you awake?

## moving on

- What one thought or idea you have heard that you would like to consider further?
- How would you think differently about ‘moving’?
- What one practical thing you would like to do as a result of what you have heard and your conversation?

Praying together (see the [worship resources for suggestions](#))