

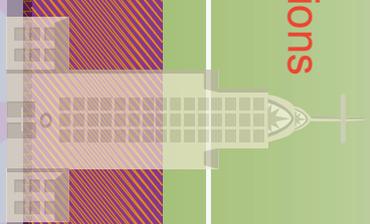
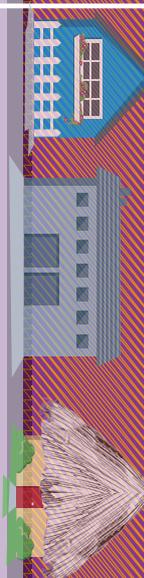


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## Foreword

HIV and AIDS is sweeping across the world destroying families, communities and countries. It has no boundaries, all are affected, and yet in many places it still remains a taboo topic for discussion. In the Gospel according to St. John, Jesus is recorded to have said, “I have come that you may have life and have it in abundance.” (Jn 10:10) HIV and AIDS seem to work directly against this. The church, the body of Christ seeks to be the agent through which God’s promises for God’s people becomes more than just a dream, but a living reality. The abundant living, Jesus comes to give, is not about having big fields or many cattle or money in the bank, it is about having that spring of living water which wells up from within, bringing to every life it touches, Love, Joy, peace, Wholeness and Hope.

It is within this context that this toolkit has been produced. It is only as we can empower people, especially our young people, with correct and accessible information about HIV and AIDS that we will be able to assist them in overcoming that which destroys the abundant life God promises through Jesus Christ. Good information is a tool, which can help people to make informed decisions about their lives. Within the context of HIV and AIDS this is of particular importance. Decisions made and acted upon can have profound consequences for our lives and the lives of those around us.

This toolkit is not meant to be a medical book but rather a collection of questions and answers which can address many of the facts and correct some of the misinformation which has become common around HIV and AIDS. It is in this spirit that it is offered to you; with the prayer that God

will bless it to your use in the spirit with which it is given. It has been simplified enough for the sake of the understanding of the lay person, youth and others.

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