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WHAT WE BELIEVE

We believe that:

- there is integrity in being both Christian and gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered
- gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people are called by God to express their sexuality in loving, faithful and committed relationships
- same-sex orientation is a God-given reality for a large minority of people, not a sin or a sickness
- as the positive contribution of the gay community towards society becomes clearer, the church's mission to this expanding group becomes urgent
- The lives of Christian gay lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people can offer evidence of the fruit of the Spirit
- our present experience requires a re-evaluation of scripture and tradition
- to be gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered is not limited to sexual activity or sexual identity but encompasses every dimension of life
- prejudice against gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered people in the church is as unacceptable as racism or prejudice against women
- the church should stop colluding with cultural repression and discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered people in all parts of the world



Working for Lesbian, Gay,

Bisexual and Transgender affirmation
in the Church of Ireland

A WELCOMING AND OPEN CHURCH



## WHO WE ARE

A network of people, gay and straight, lay and ordained, working for the full affirmation of Lesbian and gay Christians within the Church of Ireland and the wider Anglican Communion.

Working for change in the official teaching and attitude of the Church of Ireland.

Welcoming everyone seeking change in the church's understanding of human sexuality.



Building bridges within the Church of Ireland

## **Our Goals**

The day when the Church of Ireland fully accepts, welcomes and offers equality of opportunity to LGBT people, including the ordination of partnered lesbian and gay clergy and the blessing of same-sex relationships.

The acceptance for training, ordination and preferment of partnered lesbian and gay clergy.

The blessing of same-sex relationships in church using an authorised liturgy.

The full inclusion of LGBT people in every Province of the Anglican Communion.

You can become a supporter, or encourage your local church to join our list of welcoming and open congregations, by adding a link to *Inclusive Church* to your parish website.

The Church of Ireland Bishops have been receiving the *Changing Attitude (England)* quarterly newsletter for the past eight years.

For more information please visit our website or the companion site to which we are affiliated. Changing Attitude England www.changingattitude.org.uk or Email: changingattitudeireland@hotmail.co.uk

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