

## Local Preachers Requirements for Assessment

Regardless of the prescribed Training Pathway, each Local Preacher in Training will be required to:

- i. Produce a Worship Portfolio containing:
  - Personal reflections on four acts of worship at which he/she was present but not responsible for worship;
  - Reports, presented to the student, on two acts of worship for which the student was responsible;
  - A statement indicating how he/she will address any issues identified by these reports;
  - A transcript of a sermon from one of the reported services.
  
- ii. Keep a 'Log of Practical Experience' recording practical experiences of training, including contributions to services and sermons preached, accompanied with reports and evidence of other courses/training completed. This portfolio should be started immediately on commencement of training.
  
- iii. Write a synopsis of one of John Wesley's sermons which he/she will choose from the list published at [www.irishmethodist.org/local-preachers](http://www.irishmethodist.org/local-preachers)
  
- iv. Prepare two exegeses of set passages, making eight in total; these are published each year at [www.irishmethodist.org/local-preachers](http://www.irishmethodist.org/local-preachers)
  
- v. Read at least four books from the Reading List, published at [www.irishmethodist.org/local-preachers](http://www.irishmethodist.org/local-preachers)

It is important to emphasise the fact that becoming a 'Fully Accredited' Local Preacher will always involve more than just taking a course. Relevant practical experience, and reflection on that practice, represents an integral part of the process. It is therefore expected that each Local Preacher in training will both be offered and avail herself/himself of every opportunity to lead worship, preach and otherwise engage with related areas of work and witness within her/his local church.