

SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

ELIM Oasis Church takes seriously its responsibility to keep children, young people and vulnerable adults safe from harm. Mark Pugh, General Superintendent of the Elim Movement says this:

"Elim is committed to creating healthy churches and safe spaces for all. We recognise the ways in which children and adults can be at risk of harm or abuse, so endeavour to create a culture to minimise opportunities for abuse to occur. Children rely on adults to keep them safe, therefore all our churches working with children, either directly or indirectly, are committed to safeguarding children in their care. We seek to do this by providing a safe, stable, and nurturing environment where children can reach their full potential. Similarly, within our churches there are adults in need of protection, care and support due to vulnerability, whether that is a permanent or temporary state. We are aware too that within our churches there are relationships of trust, which flourish best within healthy churches and environments, where there is openness, transparency and accountability.

We firmly believe that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, and all involved in the life of our churches and activities have a role to play in keeping children, young people and adults safe".

Elim Oasis Church has two safeguarding co-ordinators — Jane Williams who is overseeing child safeguarding and Tony Williams, overseeing the safeguarding of vulnerable adults. Please click this <u>link</u> to see our safeguarding policy, including the contact details of our co-ordinators.

If you wish to raise a concern regarding safeguarding within the Elim organisation, you can do so here.

