# Learning from a Ministry Event

*This form is designed to help systematic reflection upon the experience of ministry in order to help integrate learning and practice. It can be printed and used as it is, used as a template on your computer, or adapted as needed. Not all the questions will be relevant for every situation*.[[1]](#footnote-1)

**THE EVENT**

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| Date: |  |
| Location: |  |
| Describe briefly what happened, including your own role and how you felt about the event and your role within it: |
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| **What were the main issues/questions which this event raised for you?** |
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| **Building a thicker description of what happened:** |
| Understanding the context: |
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| Understanding from the perspective of others involved or affected: |
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| Understanding using various disciplines (e.g. social sciences, psychology): |
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| **Building a theological understanding**What insights from the faith tradition (e.g. from scripture, theological writing, historic tradition) help to build a theological understanding of what happened? |
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| **Now return to the original situation** How do these perspectives change your initial understanding of the situation? |
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| **Finally...**What are the implications for future practice? What specifically might you do differently in a similar situation, and why? Is there anything you need to do now? |
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| **Any other questions to note or follow up?** |
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| **Books/resources to note** |
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| **This relates to the following Learning Outcomes:** |
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1. This template is based on the model of ‘Progressive Theological Reflection’ outlined in Judith Thompson, SCM Guide to Theological Reflection (SCM 2008, p 55-56) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)