



Developing Faith

- 1 **Having needs met:** if you can ensure a person's needs are met they will learn to trust
- 2 **Learning to trust:** when you trust someone you can build a relationship with them
3. **Building relationships:** the relationship you build should model the way Christ built relationships
- 4 **Values:** values are acquired and developed through relationships
- 5 **Atmosphere:** Christian values promote a Christian atmosphere
- 6 **Hearing about God:** the atmosphere provides the base from which hearing about God can take place
- 7 **Application:** having the opportunity to test what you have learnt
- 8 **Developing faith:** both by making mistakes and achieving success, faith grows

The cycle can be built first between the children and young people and the leaders, and then with God. If you know your group has certain aspects of the circle incomplete, or finds them difficult, use your own resources and those of your Dioceses to construct your programme to include activities that hit those targets. Find material that has been written with this circle in mind to help you to choose a well-balanced service.