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Dear colleagues,

I wish to invite you to consider me as a possible first choice for General Synod Elections.

I am sure we all remember our calling to ministry and our ordination vows. I felt called to ministry the moment I came to faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. I particularly felt burdened to proclaim and to invite people express personal faith in the historic fact that Jesus the son of God took on flesh, died in our place for the forgiveness of sins, and had risen from the dead to life so that we have assurance of salvation and eternal life.

This was the emphasis of my Christian walk whether as a layman as I worshiped in St Luke's Boralla in Colombo Sri Lanka and at All Soul's Langham Place; or when I worked as a commissioned lay minister at St Peter & Paul in Moulton in the diocese of Peterborough and St Thomas's Oakwood in the diocese of London.

Even after ordination, in a very busy curacy at St Mary's Nantwich in the diocese of Chester, I saw people coming to faith in Jesus by God's grace through my ministry. This emphasis has continued to this day even with an incumbency of three parishes. I still run faith explore courses and see people come to faith through personal evangelism. It goes without saying that evangelism is a call to discipleship and to living a Christ centred life. Those who come to faith need to be provided with discipleship training and encouraged to be engaged in the full life of the church exercising their God given gifts.

As I stand for General Synod elections, the legislative body of our church, I shall view all the work and deliberations at synod from this simple perspective of inviting our nation to be disciples of the Son of God our Lord Jesus Christ. Whether debating national issues which helps to draw government, media and national attention to matters of justice, poverty, protecting the

environment from abuse, modern day slavery, inclusivity and helping the vulnerable; or internal matters such as clergy wellbeing, financial challenges facing each diocese, vision -leadership & strategy(especially in terms of our generational challenge), raising & equipping lay leadership and investing our assets by exercising Godly stewardship, being a Jesus shaped church centred on Christ will be my focus.

After many years of ministry, I have found keeping ministry simple and focused on discipleship has kept me encouraged and motivated through many challenges-even through the Pandemic and Lockdowns.

We in the Church of England are well placed to disciple our nation. A vote for me will keep that focus on a national level. I am excited about what God is doing in our churches especially at a local level in our parishes. I'd like to see that at a national level.

Please phone or email if you wanted clarification on any issues that interest you.

Blessings!

Kaushal