# WHAT OUR MEMBERS SAY

- "I've found Freemasonry to be a wonderful route map for life."
- The support and friendships I have made as a member of the Order of Women Freemasons is amazing - I have made so many wonderful and sincere friends.
- Being a Freemason I have learned that I can do whatever I set my mind to. I am more confident than ever.
- What really struck me when I joined was that I was accepted as me, not as someone's wife, daughter or sister. Nor was I judged by where I lived, went to school or what job I had or how much money I had. In Freemasonry it doesn't matter I was accepted as the person I am.
- I joined because I wanted to be a better version of myself. I saw how committed two of my very dearest friends were to the Order and I wanted to emulate their excellent example.
- I truly believe that without the discipline and learning in Freemasonry and without the support and encouragement of my friends and Brethren in my Lodge I would not have persevered and achieved the grades I did when I returned to University. Freemasonry has given me a voice to use with confidence, taught me how to deal with difficult situations or people in life and how to celebrate life itself.
- "I am more confident and can now speak in front of audiences without going bright red!"

# **CRITERIA FOR JOINING**

The Order of Women Freemasons welcomes women of any race or faith with the following qualifications;

You believe in a Supreme Being – it does not matter which religion you belong to

You are over 21 years of age

You are of good character.

### **HOW TO FIND OUT MORE**

#### WRITE TO:

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# Modern Women Traditional Values





Living our lives in Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth www.owf.org.uk

#### **ABOUT US**

The Order of Women Freemasons is the oldest and largest Masonic organisation for women in the United Kingdom and overseas. Formed in 1908 the Order's members belong to its many Craft Lodges nationally and internationally as well as a large number of Lodges working in the Higher Degrees.

The ages of our women range from 21 to 100 years who come from all walks of life – accountants, nurses, policewomen, teachers, housewives, office administrators, self employed, retirees, to name a few.

Each lodge meets four times or more a year. Between meetings they may organise fundraising events for their local community or national charities, plus informal social events. Meetings, fundraising and social events all lead to our members making life-long friendships.





#### WHAT IS FREEMASONRY?

The Order of Women Freemasons is a fraternal society for modern women who enjoy basing their lives on traditional values and in line with the three fundamental principles of Freemasonry:

**BROTHERLY LOVE** – Freemasons are taught to be tolerant towards all people and to behave with kindness and understanding towards everyone.

**RELIEF** – Freemasons practice charity and demonstrate their concern for others by charitable efforts and good works, not only in supporting each other but also freely giving support to local communities and national charities.

**TRUTH** – Freemasons strive to achieve the highest levels of integrity in their lives and actions.



Freemasonry is open to members of any religion, but a belief in a Supreme Being is necessary because promises are made in the sight of your own God.

# FREEMASONS – MAKING A DIFFERENCE TO THEMSELVES AND OTHERS

#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO YOURSELF

- · Experience personal achievements
- Gain self-confidence
- · Increase self-esteem
- Make life-long friendships



#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO OTHERS

- Show concern for others by charitable efforts
- Support your local community and national charities

