

Job Description

JOB TITLE	Evangelism Project Officer		
REPORTS TO	Director of Evangelism Development	LOCATION	London/Hybrid or Home-based
TEAM	Mission Team: Evangelism & Growth	GRADE	LG4

JOB PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this role is to equip the Methodist Church – districts, circuits, churches, leaders, and members – to engage evangelistically with diverse communities in inclusive, relational, creative, and compelling ways, by providing and maintaining quality training, resourcing, networks and experiences.

The role exists to develop and deliver the evangelism stream outlined in Methodist Church’s evangelism and growth strategy – part of the Church’s commitment to be a growing, inclusive, evangelistic, and justice-seeking Church, so that more religiously-unaffiliated people, especially those within rising generations, begin faith journeys and grow into disciples of Jesus Christ.

JOB DIMENSIONS

RESOURCES UNDER CONTROL

Direct reports	None
Resources	No direct budget responsibility, but collegial working utilising Connexional resources.

ROLE ACCOUNTABILITIES

The activities, functions and areas of accountability for the job are – working in the Mission Team and the broader Connexional Team, and collaboratively with leaders across the Methodist Church and our ecumenical partners – to:

1. Develop and deliver new and existing courses, resources, networks, experiential opportunities and communities for evangelism (working with others in the Connexional Team) – for all Methodists, including those with a particular calling and spiritual gifting for evangelism, as well as for those who are reluctant to engage in evangelism in their contexts.
2. Contribute to, activate, and lead on cross-team projects in order to deepen and develop our shared commitment to evangelism in the life of the Church, through project management, operational support, and expertise in the specialism of evangelism. This includes but is not limited to projects

relating to digital evangelism, and evangelism with and among children, young people, and young adults.

3. Deliver teaching and training on evangelism, including using the core evangelism resources, in collaboration with the Learning Network and supporting the roll out of training offered by and other providers such as District Missioners.
4. Continue to embed a culture of congregational testimony in the Methodist Church and to identify opportunities for improving this.
5. Publically communicate about, advocate for, and catalyse action around the theology and practice of evangelism, helping all Methodists to step out of their comfort zones as they hear and articulate a relevant Gospel message.
6. Support the wider team with national evangelistic witness at events and festivals: solving problems, leading teams, and hosting inclusive engagement spaces.
7. Engage with, work alongside, and maintain relationships with a wide variety of partners and stakeholders within and outside the Methodist Church in order to prioritise evangelistic opportunities, commitments and messaging across the whole Church.
8. Help to resource and support other related projects and duties as requested by the Director of Evangelism Development.

Person Specification

GRADE LEVEL FOUR

	Essential	Desirable	Assessment Method
Education and Training			
Degree or equivalent level qualification in a relevant field to specialism (e.g. evangelism, mission, theology); or equivalent professional experience.	X		A, I
Training in project management		X	A, Q
Proven Abilities, Knowledge and Skills			
Deep understanding of and direct work experience in evangelism and community engagement with unaffiliated people	X		A, I, P
Experience in designing and delivering evangelism and/or mission training and education for adults, including young adults	X		A, I, P
Demonstrated effectiveness and passion for communicating and describing the Gospel in ways that make sense to people unfamiliar with the Christian faith	X		A, I
Experience of working effectively with church leaders of diverse Christian theologies or faith traditions	X		A, I
Effective strategic networking, relationship building, influencing and negotiation skill	X		A, I, P

Experience of successfully managing complex projects, setting priorities, working in an organized way under pressure, solving issues, meeting deadlines, and delivering outcomes	X		A, I, W
Experience in digital content development and social media strategy		X	A, I
Experience of youth or young adult work		X	A, I
Outstanding written and oral communication skills	X		A, I, W
Able to mobilise others for action and galvanise and motivate teams	X		A, I
Creative approach to interpreting, implementing, and developing strategies and policies	X		A, I, W
Personal Qualities			
Evidence of mature personal and corporate Christian faith, including a rhythm of prayer and worship, and being a member in good standing of a Church in association with CTBI or equivalent	X		A, I
Demonstrates a wide understanding of and commitment to the work and mission of the Methodist Church, as embodied in <i>Our Calling, God For All</i> , and other major Connexional strategies	X		A, I, P
Willingness to travel widely within Britain, and possession of a valid driving license	X		A
Availability to work irregular hours, especially evenings/weekends	X		A
Demonstrate awareness of, and sensitivity to, issues of equality, diversity and inclusion and a commitment to the unique value of the individual in all aspects of the Church's life	X		A, I, P

Method of Assessment: A – Application Form; I – Interview; W – Written exercise; P – Presentation;
G – Group exercise; Q – Proof of qualification (certificates or transcripts)

(We reserve the right to assess any other aspects of the role in a format not previously described)