

Volunteer Role Description

VOLUNTEER ROLE

Member of the Global Communities Sub- Committee

ROLE PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

The Global Communities Sub - Committee is charged with responsibility to keep in constant review the mission and ministry of the Global Communities work across the British Connexion. The Global Communities Sub-Committee will work with relevant Connexional team members in developing new ways of working across the Connexion and advising the missions committee on policies and recommend specific learning points from these Communities that could enrich the wider mission and ministry of the Methodist Church in Britain. The Global Communities Sub- Committee will report to annually to the Missions Committee.

ROLE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Members of the Global Communities Sub- Committee will be expected:

- To work collaboratively with other members of the committee to keep in constant the mission and ministry of the Global Communities work across the Connexion. The work of the sub- Committee involves:
 - (i) Advising the missions committee on policies relating to Global Communities, their mission and ministry. In particular in area of discipleship, vacation and development of lay and ordained leadership
 - (ii) Developing, supporting and reviewing initiatives for nourishing, equipping, resourcing the work of the Global Communities in the Methodist Church in Britain
 - (iii) To work with the Global Communities Officer NP/NP and Church at the Margins Officers, JDS Committee and other connexional committees/groups were appropriate to ensure the efficacy of Connexional Support in this area of work with the groups
- To prepare and attend for online Sub-Committee Meetings (two per year)
- To and attend prepare for online meetings of the Sub- Committee (one per year).
- To attend if possible and contribute to the Global Communities Ministries Forum (one residential a year)
- To contribute to the discussions and decision making at the meetings with other members of the sub-committee as appropriate to enable the group to advise the missions committee on policy in relation to the work of the Global Communities.
- To participate in e-mail correspondence and, exceptionally, electronic decision-making between meetings.
- To uphold the collective responsibility of the Committee in reporting to the Missions Committee
- To bring to the role experience of involvement in missional activities in a variety of contexts, including a good understanding of Global Communities in Britain

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable	Assessment Method
Experience			
Experience of serving on a committee of the Methodist Church (local, circuit, district or connexional)		X	
Evidence of collaborative working	X		
Experience or interest in either cross-cultural mission, pioneering, growing churches, funding and projects	X		
Experience of working with or alongside members of Global Communities in a local circuit, district or in another context (e.g work place)		X	
Abilities, Knowledge and Skills			
Ability to absorb a wide-range of detailed issues	X		
Ability to confer about how the vision and policies for mission that might be implemented in relation to Global Communities Circuits and Districts that are recommended by the Missions Committee	X		
Ability listen and learn from members of the Global Communities across the Connexion to enable good working practices and support	X		
Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing.	X		
Ability to work as part of a team	X		
Personal Qualities			
Demonstrates an understanding and is supportive of the work and mission of the Methodist Church	X		
Member in good standing of the Methodist Church in Britain	X		
Demonstrates innovative leadership skills with the ability to encourage new ways of thinking by the committee to support the Church.		X	

DURATION OF APPOINTMENT

Nomination is by the Missions Committee members shall serve for an initial term of 3 years, renewable for a further 3 years. No Committee member shall serve for a continuous duration of more than 6 years.