

Towerview Free Methodist Church, Bangor, Northern Ireland

Schools, Families, and Community Outreach Worker

Towerview Free Methodist Church is seeking to appoint a full-time (37 hours per week) **Schools, Families, and Community Outreach Worker** to pioneer, develop and run the church's schools and community outreach program in Towerview and adjacent neighbourhoods. The successful candidate will develop and deliver programming to local schools, communities and in the church to help children, teenagers and families experience the love of Jesus Christ and develop their potential spiritually, physically, emotionally, relationally, and educationally.

We welcome applications from dedicated, motivated and experienced children's, family, youth, or school's workers who have the ability and desire to envision and pioneer this new programme, inspire volunteers and serve the church, schools and community in both practical and spiritual ways.

For more information, please see the **Job Description** and **Ideal Candidate Profile** below.
Application Process

Salary range: £21,000-£24,000 per annum. Overtime is not paid, but the successful candidate may claim reasonable time in lieu.

Application Deadline. 1 December, 2021

Applicants should submit the following THREE documents to Dr. Ivan Filby (Trustee) at admin@towerviewchurch.co.uk by **December 1, 2021**.

1. An up-to-date CV or resume.
2. A cover letter explaining your motivation for applying for this position and how you believe your experience to date makes you a strong candidate.
3. Your Christian testimony.

PLEASE NOTE:

This is a high-profile job, with direct contact with young people and the public. It is therefore an ongoing condition of employment that the successful applicant maintains the highest standards of integrity and Biblical morality in both public and private.

It is a genuine occupational requirement that the role holder is a committed Christian. If not already a member or attendee, the successful applicant will be expected to attend Towerview Free Methodist Church for the duration of the contract.

The successful candidate will be required to undertake an AccessNI Enhanced Check, including a

check of the DBS Barred Lists.

Job Description:

The Schools, Families, and Community Outreach Worker is a 24-month contract position, with a six month's probationary period to assess performance and institutional fit. The contract may be renewed on an annual basis subject to programme evaluation and funding

Main duties:

1. Strengthen relationship between Towerview Free Methodist Church, the community and local schools to help meet their spiritual and practical needs.
2. Develop, coordinate and run Towerview Free Methodist Church's *Schools and Community Outreach* program.
3. Build relationships with primary and post primary school students through the development of after school clubs and summer outreach programmes.
4. Spend an average of 27 hours per week in face-to-face work with children, young people, and families in the Towerview neighbourhood.
5. Spend an average of 10 hours per week to develop and administer Towerview Free Methodist Church's Schools and Community Outreach programming.
6. Help lead Sunday worship, Sunday School, creche and children's time.
7. Prepare quarterly reports for the congregation and the grant awarding agencies on the on-going work.
8. Be willing to assist in *Towerview Tots* (parents and toddlers' group), creche and Sunday school.
9. Promote Christian Unity by fostering positive relationships between local churches, schools, and the community.
10. Visit local communities and families, offering care and connection into the Towerview Church family and making referrals on to other ministers as appropriate.
11. Carry out other reasonable tasks requested by the Pastor.
12. Develop appropriate measures for program evaluation in collaboration with the pastor and church board.

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13. Ensure Schools and Community Outreach programming is developed and delivered in accordance with the vision and aims of Towerview Free Methodist Church and the Free Methodist Church UK & Ireland.

Ideal Candidate Profile

1. The ideal candidate will be a committed Christian who can support the vision of Towerview Free Methodist Church, the Free Methodist Church in UK & Ireland and be able to report to a female lead pastor.
2. The ideal candidate will have a relevant undergraduate degree.
3. The ideal candidate will have experience in schools and community outreach, youth work, children's work or will have worked in local schools/ churches in a related capacity.
4. The ideal candidate must be personally outgoing, a self-starter, and able to build up relational networks, attract and motivate volunteers and effectively administer the program.
5. The applicant must be able to keep personal information confidential.
6. The applicant must have the computer, social media, and communication skills (written and verbal) to effectively administer the Schools, Families, and Community Outreach program.

Towerview Free Methodist Church

Towerview Free Methodist Church sits in the heart of the Towerview community in Bangor, Northern Ireland. It is a Spirit-filled church focused on making Jesus known in Towerview, Bangor and North Down in Northern Ireland. The church focuses on helping people experience the transformational love of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. The church desires all people to experience God's love firsthand and encourages all to be disciples of Jesus. The church meets on Sundays for worship, Tuesday nights for dynamic prayer meetings and in other gatherings such as men's and women's fellowship meetings on a regular basis.

The church has always been focused on outreach to the community and a generous grant has enabled the church to dream how it can care for our schools, families, and communities in more proactive ways.