



CTE Principal Officer for Pentecostal, Charismatic and Multi-cultural Relations

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Job title: Principal Officer for Pentecostal, Charismatic and Multi-cultural Relations, Churches Together in England

Location: Home based, but willing to travel

Responsible to: The General Secretary, Churches Together in England

This is a full-time post (38 hours per week)

Churches Together in England (CTE) is committed to a racially diverse church in England, and has expressed that commitment over the past 17 years in employing Rev'd Dr. Joe Aldred as its post-holder for Pentecostal, Charismatic and Multi-cultural relations. Dr. Aldred is now retiring, and CTE is seeking to appoint a new Principal Officer to this post, bringing vision, deep understanding of the Pentecostal and Charismatic churches especially, but also wider ecumenical work, together with administrative and communication skills of a high order.

CTE has fifty member churches, of which 46% are from a Pentecostal, Charismatic or Black-majority tradition. This significant group of member churches have their own Forum, appoint their own President for CTE (one of six) and with other churches in membership (among them Anglican, Catholic, Free Churches, Orthodox Churches, Lutheran Churches and Quakers) represent one of the widest ecumenical community of churches anywhere in Europe.

CTE is also creating the ecumenical space where member churches can co-ordinate their efforts to become beacons of best practice in racial justice and amplify their voice together in calling for a racially just society in the wake of the events that followed the death of George Floyd in 2020. The post holder will be expected to be the staff member leading this aspect of the work of CTE, bringing experience and passion to this call for racial justice.

General overview:

- 1) The CTE team. The post holder will be a full member of the CTE team and share in the smooth running and corporate responsibilities of meetings, communication, administration, and mutual support within the team in order to deliver the aims of the organisation.
- 2) The CTE aims. The post holder will be responsible for furthering the aims of CTE in:
 - Relating to the member denominations of CTE
 - Relating to the Intermediate Bodies
 - Sharing in the task of theological reflection

Those responsibilities will be apportioned within the team to make sure they are achieved.

3) Pentecostal, Charismatic and Multi-cultural Relations The post holder will be responsible for key areas:

A. Pentecostal and Charismatic Churches

B. Multi-cultural Relations

Key Responsibilities

- Act as Secretary to the Pentecostal and Charismatic Churches Forum
- Act as Staff Officer for the CTE Pentecostal President.
- Serve as Secretary to the newly-formed CTE Racial Justice Working Group, and participate in its development.
- Keep abreast of developments in racial justice, and represent CTE in wider forums where appropriate.
- Liaise with churches and other ecumenical instruments with similar initiatives, such as CTBI and the Evangelical Alliance (EA)
- Keep the appropriate areas of the CTE website and social media up to date.
- Offer administrative support to bilateral ecumenical dialogues that involve Pentecostals and charismatics, and have the ability to engage theologically with them.
- Develop and deliver relevant parts of CTE's strategic plan

Working with others

- Support the General Secretary in his work as Secretary to the CTE Presidents Group
- Provide material for the CTE Communications and Media Officer
- Attend and provide practical support to CTE staff colleagues in delivering major ecumenical events such as Enabling Group and Forum.
- Work, with CTE colleagues, with County Ecumenical Officers and Intermediate Bodies to deliver the associated values, programmes, and vision to this level of ecumenical work.
- To relate to the racial justice work undertaken by other national instruments, especially CTBI, and bodies such as the Evangelical Alliance.
- Engage with other forums that bring together black churches.