

Chorley & Leyland Methodist Circuit



Circuit Description

The Chorley and Leyland Methodist Circuit is based around the towns of Chorley and Leyland and some of the surrounding villages. It is a circuit of around 800 members spread between its 9 churches, one of which is a local ecumenical partnership (LEP) with the United Reformed Church (URC). Every one of the 9 churches has children and families involved in their Sunday worship in one way or another, several also have young people. There is a diversity of theology and worship styles, some of the congregations are larger and others are quite small. The circuit also includes four Methodist Schools, two of which have recently become part of a Methodist Academy Trust, the other two being joint schools with the Church of England.

Children, Youth, Families and Schools

The successful applicant will take a lead role in encouraging and equipping the circuit and its churches in their work with children, young people, families and schools. They will:

- Work with the children and volunteers in the existing provision for children on a Sunday morning and help to develop the offer.
- Work with the young people and families who are part of the circuit.
- Support the circuit leadership team and churches with development of programmes and strategies in these areas, leading on outreach events and activities.
- Be involved in ministry across all the four schools
- Act as a central contact for the circuit for children, young people, families and schools ministry, liaising with the leadership teams, ministers and district.

This is a new post and therefore there is potential for it to develop and change and the job description will be reviewed annually to consider the ways the role has developed. Training and development will be provided as necessary.

The successful applicant will be expected to work within the locality and to be able to travel between churches and schools. Preparation work can be undertaken at home, or a base can be set up within one of the circuit churches if preferred. The successful applicant will be expected to work evenings and weekends, and attend meetings at church, circuit and district levels.

Further Information

If you would like to have a chat about the role before submitting an application, please contact Rev. Gill McBride tel: 07733 056026, or email: revgill.mcbride@icloud.com

Completed application to be sent to: Michael Brennan,
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Closing Date for application: 29/08/2025
Interviews: Week commencing 14/09/25