

Introducing Alix: An Operations Manager for the Redditch Mission Area



I see my appointment in this newly created role as a great privilege. I am looking forward to getting to know the twelve churches and their respective missions within the Redditch Mission Area. I find joy in seeing operational systems used effectively so they can seamlessly underpin the Gospel work, allowing us all to go out 'among the nations'

I am passionate about seeing all people achieve their God-ordained potential. This mission has defined my career, but my home is here in Redditch. I'm Alix, and I worship at Christ Church, Matchborough, where my husband, Tom, serves as Church Warden. We have two primary school-age daughters and felt called to serve in Redditch eight years ago.

My personal motto is one I aim to live by: "Wherever you are, be 100% there." This commitment has led me to deep involvement right here in our Mission Area. Since worshipping at CCM, I've helped run our under-fives mission Sparklers, taught in Junior Church, helped coordinate our yearly community outreach Funfest, and been part of the team pioneering Fundays on Sundays, our whole-family welcome space.

The experiences God has placed along my path feel like preparation for 'such a time as this'.

As a teenager, I moved to India with my family, which gave me firsthand experience of different expressions of church family and the privilege of serving where you're placed. This opportunity also made me a Third Culture Kid (TCK), and for many years I led children's camps to support those TCKs coming to the UK.

Professionally, much of my early career was spent working with the homeless and imprisoned. Latterly, I led a nationwide digital literacy project for those who taught in prisons, enabling tutors to develop their classroom delivery skills and further impact those they taught.

I bring over a decade of communication and marketing expertise, most recently as a strategic lead for TISCA (The Independent Schools Christian Alliance). Here, I have focused on strengthening staff across the UK and abroad, diversifying income streams, and leading on national conferences and website strategy. I currently serve as a trustee of two charities and have been intrinsic in leading operational change—most notably for one while being eight months pregnant during the pandemic!

As I start in December, it will be a joy to walk alongside those who serve, give of your time diligently, and have a heart for the community you have been placed within.

Alix Stockwell