

National Church Engagement Manager Full-time; permanent

Work with senior NZ church leaders developing mutually beneficial relationships to address justice, spiritual formation, advocacy and poverty issues

- Cultivate effective relationships with church leaders nationally
- Regularly speak at and engage with churches at all levels
- Lead and coach a motivated and capable team to deliver excellent fundraising outcomes

About Tearfund

Tearfund (<https://www.tearfund.org.nz>) is one of New Zealand's leading NGO's with development partnerships and programmes throughout the developing world. It is a highly respected charity that inspires people to give, learn, advocate and stand up against injustice.

At Tearfund, we believe that God has called us to a mission that defends the cause of the poor and speaks up for those who would otherwise be silenced.

Tearfund engages Kiwis in financial generosity to fund Tearfund's development initiatives delivered by local partners who work in places that are facing issues of poverty, scarcity, disempowerment and injustice. This work is broad and covers the sectors of modern slavery, child development, farming and enterprise and humanitarian response.

Over 25,000 donors and 1,600 churches nationwide provide a network for the majority of funding needed for Tearfund's development programmes.

The role

The National Engagement Manager is a key strategic role to work directly with key senior decision makers in churches across New Zealand. The person will possess the presence, drive and ability to regularly speak at and engage with churches at all levels to develop mutually beneficial relationships with Tearfund. This will also involve listening, thinking creatively about how partnerships can be strengthened, promoting Tearfund's products as appropriate and encouraging people and churches to become financial supporters of Tearfund justice and poverty initiatives.

The person appointed will also lead a team of three who are located in Auckland and Christchurch.

Pivotal to the role is the ability to offer empowering leadership, carry the vision of Tearfund and provide clear direction alongside a proven ability to deliver fundraising results.

We're looking for someone who has;

- held significant church leadership roles and have the mana to build relationships across major churches nationally.
- demonstrated strategic abilities to create, assess, measure and respond to new opportunities.
- at some stage been in a sales or fundraising team leadership role in a commercial enterprise or NGO and have proven abilities in delivering results.

Tearfund's Mission Statement is: "Motivated by Jesus, we encourage Kiwis to act for justice to relieve poverty among the world's most vulnerable people". Personal alignment with this mission will be critical for the candidate who is appointed to this role.

In return, we can offer:

- The opportunity to use your skills and networks to inspire others
- Flexibility with work hours
- Free car parking
- Extra day off at Christmas and on your birthday
- Free health insurance

To discuss this opportunity in confidence please contact Gertjan Kardol on 021 906 207. When applying, please include a cover letter outlining why you're interested in this role and working at Tearfund and send it to work@tearfund.org.nz. Applications close 10 February 2023.