

## **Engagement Manager – Church (Tearfund: Lower North Island)**

Build relationships & partnerships with churches, church leaders and influencers to engage with issues of poverty and injustice

- make a change for people in the developing world
- identify where a church's heart lies to know how best to engage them
- become a clear passionate and creative advocate for the poor

### **The Organisation**

Tearfund 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.

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

Tearfund's priority sectors are:

- Child Sponsorship
- Disasters and Peace Building
- Anti-Trafficking and Exploitation
- Water, Health and Education
- Enterprise and Empowerment

There are over 40 highly competent experienced staff, plus volunteers, who work from the Mt Roskill, Auckland office to support the growth and effectiveness of these programmes.

### **The role**

The Engagement Manager – Church will cover the Lower North Island. The region covers Wellington through to south of Hamilton and Tauranga, and can be based in either **Wellington or Palmerston North**. This is a key front line role for Tearfund as it partners with churches.

Working closely with and supported by functional specialists within Tearfund you will be given the tools to bring about tangible fundraising and church partnership results. For example, these will include liaising with teams handling events, products, education, advocacy and supporter relations.

### **What we seek in candidates**

You will:

- Be currently, or in the past, engaged in church ministry (e.g. Youth Pastor, Small Group or Ministry Leader, Pastor, etc)

- Possess the relationship building and communication skills to become a clear, passionate and creative advocate for the voiceless, vulnerable people in our world facing issues of poverty and injustice
- Be a self-starter who has the qualities and skills to act autonomously yet liaise closely with the national Tearfund team
- Have the ability to work with denominational nuances

Tearfund's Mission Statement says: "The purpose of Tearfund is to glorify God by extending His Kingdom in ministry to the poor, oppressed and disadvantaged, and to encourage God's people in New Zealand to live out the values and principles of His Kingdom by sharing with those in need." Personal alignment with this mission will be critical for the candidate who is appointed to this role.

This is an opportunity to join a team making a huge difference globally.

To discuss this opportunity in confidence please contact JP on 027 441 1078 or to apply send your CV and a cover letter to [work@tearfund.org.nz](mailto:work@tearfund.org.nz)