

Acorn Director of Ministry Job Description

BACKGROUND

Acorn Christian Healing Foundation is a National Network of Healing Hubs engaged in sharing the healing presence of Christ, working and praying for health and wholeness for all through ministries of Healing, Education, Listening, and Reconciliation. We provide the experience of "shalom" at the heart of the Christian message with a solid reputation as a safe and trustworthy ministry providing training, resourcing, and in-person prayer support.

Directed by a Board of Trustees who contribute to Acorn's ministry strands. Day-to-day operations are run by our Director of Operations (DoO). This includes a volunteer Ministry Intercessor and a fantastic group of volunteers. The DoM leads in guiding the ministry and working collaboratively with our DoO, Hub Coordinators, and volunteers, with oversight from the Trustees. We work remotely, with a balance of online and in-person engagement.

Acorn's Mission: *Healing & Wholeness for All. We want: more people praying for more people – with more healings as a result.*

JOB SUMMARY: Director of Ministry

Appointed by the Trustees, the DoM leads the ministry of Acorn, providing ministry oversight and collaborative leadership with the DoO for staff, Hub Coordinators, and volunteers. Leads our educational aspects; networks with relevant organisations; and is our front-facing representative at the national level.

The role also includes a focus on development and strategizing creatively to pursuing new opportunities to secure resources and connections, making our visions a reality.

The post is currently offered as a part-time role (4 days/week) as a mix of days/evenings/weekends. While some aspects of the work schedule are flexible, the monthly Saturday morning Healing Academy training is fixed. We are looking for someone to make a long-term investment, giving shape to the exciting new season of expansion into which we are entering.

ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Supported by the Trustees, provide front-facing leadership of the organisation locally and nationally, including at regular Training Academy and ministry events.
2. Working collaboratively with the DoO providing active pastoral cover for Hub Coordinators and their teams. Currently comprising 11 regional Hubs and 40 volunteer Prayer ministers.
3. Brokering new Hub initiatives and building relationships with other organisations supporting Acorn's objectives. Being the resolving factor in troubleshooting situations where required.

PERSONAL QUALITIES AND COMPETENCES

The successful candidate will have the following qualities and skills:

Personal Qualities

1. Someone of deep faith, for whom a rhythm of prayer is fundamental.

2. An effective theological educator with an ability to explain complex matters simply and clearly, to diverse audiences.
3. Biblically grounded and open to the gifts and leading of the Holy Spirit.
4. A creative person who will bring fresh perspectives and new gifts to the organisation. Committed to Acorn's vision, with an excitement for Hub growth.
5. Comfortable working collaboratively, while confidently taking the lead.
6. Someone comfortable with a faith ministry concept – a shepherd; not a manager.

Experience, Skills, and Training:

1. An ordained minister (possibly, though not necessarily, CofE/Anglican) eager to work ecumenically, with 5–10 years' Christian ministry experience, including healing ministry.
2. Preferably educated to MA level, or eager to pursue ongoing relevant theological education/training.
3. Reasonably tech-savvy, able to comfortably engage with our various platforms.
4. Experience of leadership, collaborative team working, and organisational management.
5. An effective, compelling, and articulate speaker able to promote Acorn.
6. Able to travel and stay overnight when occasionally required; holding a clean UK driving licence.

Full-Time Salary: £38,950 (pro-rated for 4 days/week)

Closing Date for Applications: 10th March 2025

To apply: Please submit an application form to info@acornchristian.org

Interviews expected to be held starting the week of 24th March 2025.