

Nomination of new Mission Partners for 2025

Cromer Church currently supports seven Mission Partners: Good News for All, Bible Society, London City Mission, Mission without Borders, Open Doors, Christians Against Poverty and Hope into Action. In addition, we support CPAS (our Patron) and one individual missionary (Michelle Proctor, serving with SIM in Zambia). Mission Partners have a great opportunity to promote their work and engage the church family in it, as well as receiving an annual donation from Cromer Church. The amount of the donation is calculated as a percentage of Cromer Church's income from giving and is paid in quarterly instalments during their term.

At the end of December, Mission without Borders and Open Doors come to the end of their three-year term and we need to select two new Mission Partners to replace them. (Mission Partners reaching the end of their term need to take a year's break before they can be renominated.)

Members of the church family therefore have an opportunity to nominate either an **individual**, preferably with links to Cromer Church, who is serving as a missionary somewhere in the world or a recognised **mission organisation** to be a new Mission Partner.

In either case, the work of the nominated Mission Partner should be a good fit with our Vision Statement: **to see lives and communities transformed by Jesus** and should offer good opportunities for us as a church and as individuals to engage with and become involved in their work. Individuals normally serve a five-year term as Mission Partner (unless their role changes); while organisations normally serve a three-year term.

Nomination forms and the Mission Partner Champion Role Description will be available from the Parish Church and St Martin's on Sundays 24th November, and 1st and 8th December. These can also be downloaded directly from this link or sent by email, on request. Please contact the PCC Secretary, David Orsborne, pccsecretary@crcmer-church.org.uk.

Completed nomination forms must be received by the PCC Secretary by the end of Sunday 15th December. PCC will scrutinise the nominations at their January meeting, after which the church family will decide who is selected by ballot.

Mission Partner Nominations for 2025 Last updated: 21 November 2024



Mission Partners 2025 Mission Partner Nomination Form

Please return this nomination form to the PCC Secretary, David Orsborne, by **Sunday 15**th **December**. It can be returned in person, via the boxes at St Martin's or the Parish Church or to pccsecretary@cromer-church.org.uk.

Our selection criteria for Mission Partners are:

1. The work of the Mission Partner should be a good fit with our Vision Statement:

Our purpose is to love Jesus and to share his love with others Drawing in • Building up • Going out to see lives and communities transformed by Jesus

- 2. The Mission Partner should offer good opportunities for us as a church and as individuals to engage with and become involved in their work.
- 3. The Mission Partner Champion(s) must be from our church family, have read and agreed to the Mission Partner Champion Role Description as contained in the Volunteer Policy, and have agreed to take on the role.

Nominated Mission Partner	'Tek Ura'	
To be 'Championed' by	Tony and Jacky Peacock	

Give a brief description of the work of the Mission Partner as it relates to this nomination.

Tek Ura (meaning "at the bridge" in Albanian) is a holistic, faith-based charity operating in Tirana and Durrës, Albania. Founded in 2016 by British mission workers, it supports marginalised communities through five key programme areas:

Rehab: Providing physiotherapy, sensory therapy, and health education for children and adults with disabilities, Tek Ura empowers families to achieve independence and inclusion.

Skills: Offering educational support such as homework clubs, English lessons, and vocational training, particularly for women and children at risk of trafficking or poverty.

Recovery: Helping people in extreme poverty transition to legal employment through tailored support.

Connect: Combatting isolation through sports clubs, older persons' groups, and carer support groups.

Church: A growing cell church reaching marginalised groups, including Roma communities, with a focus on faith, community, and discipleship.

Tek Ura's work embodies holistic mission, integrating practical support with spiritual growth, aiming to build flourishing communities with God at the centre.

How does the work of this proposed Mission Partner demonstrate a good 'fit' with our Vision Statement, and meet the criteria of "sharing the love of Jesus with others"?

Tek Ura's mission closely aligns with our vision: "To love Jesus and share his love with others."

Drawing In: Tek Ura draws in marginalised individuals, offering a safe and supportive environment where they experience the love of Jesus through practical care and spiritual connection.

Building Up: Through mentoring of the Albanian team, skills development, and a growing cell church, Tek Ura builds people up, empowering them to transform their lives and communities.

Going Out: Tek Ura actively reaches the most isolated and least-evangelised communities, sharing Jesus' love where it is least known, including through its church led by a pastor of Roma heritage.

Lives and communities in Albania are being transformed through Tek Ura's commitment to serving with compassion, dignity, and faith.

How could we (as a church and as individuals) become involved with their work?

Prayer Support: Join Tek Ura's WhatsApp groups and receive regular prayer letters to stay informed and uplift the work in prayer.

Sharing Updates: Invite Tek Ura's UK partners to share updates and testimonies during church services or events.

Online Engagement: Participate in regular online meetings with the Tek Ura team to hear firsthand about their impact and challenges.

Mission Trips: Explore opportunities for immersive experiences in Albania, where church members can witness the work, support projects, and learn from cross-cultural mission.

Fundraising and Advocacy: Organise events to support Tek Ura's initiatives, such as community projects, rehab services, and church planting efforts.

Tek Ura is passionate about two-way partnerships, offering mutual learning, prayer, and shared mission between UK churches and their community in Albania.

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We believe this partnership could be a meaning mission.	ful opportunity to serve and grow together in God's
I/We have read and understand the Role I organisation I/we have nominated.	Description and am/are willing to Champion the
Signed	Print Name A J (Tony) Peacock
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Cromer Church Volunteer Position Description Mission Partner Champion

Remit of this volunteer role

To keep the church family informed about and engaged in the work of the Mission Partner by:

- ensuring the information displayed at St Martin's and the Parish Church and in the Weekly Update is up-to-date, accurate and relevant;
- encouraging the church family to pray for the Mission Partner by providing prayer points for the monthly prayer diary and, during the focus month, to those leading the intercessions at each service;
- making full use of the focus month to disseminate information and promote engagement in the work of the Mission Partner;
- holding events or, with the Vicar's permission, inviting speakers during the focus month;
- attending the meetings of the Mission Partner Champions (usually twice a year);
- highlighting the availability of resources, training and events that would be of interest to
 members of the church family or to those responsible for planning and organising services
 and other activities and events;
- encouraging members of the church family to engage with the Mission Partner prayerfully and financially, and by getting involved in practical opportunities to share in their work.

Estimate of the time needed to carry out this volunteer role: about 30 minutes a week Line Manager: Ivan Kimble

Timescale: until the volunteer steps down, the three-year term ends or the Vicar ends the role

To be completed by the volunteer		
Please tick the following after reading the Cromer Church Volunteer Policy		
I have read the Management, Support and Supervision section.		
I have read what is expected of volunteers.		

Please sign and date the form below to show you agree with and will follow the policy.

Signed	Dean S	Print name A J (Tony) Peacock
Date	10 Dec 2024	