



Merredin Church

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MERREDIN ASSOCIATE PASTOR | Care and support

- Flexible Salary Packaging
- Travel allowance
- Accommodation package available
- 3-year fixed term with option for extension
- Part-time employment (0.4 – 0.6 FTE)*
- Location: Merredin and surrounding towns

* If you are looking for full-time work, we welcome you to apply. There are many opportunities for additional secular work in Merredin and the surrounding towns. Please ask us for more information if required.

About us

[Merredin Church](#) is a small and vibrant community of ordinary people serving an extraordinary God. We seek to live the Gospel by radiating the love of Jesus throughout our community in the Eastern Wheatbelt of Western Australia (Kellerberrin to the Southern Cross faith community and Bruce Rock to the Mukinbudin faith community, and far beyond).

As a vital part of a small team, you will have the opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of many people, who are often isolated by distance and circumstances.

About the opportunity

The successful applicant will join our team to enhance the spiritual, pastoral, and practical support to people, within the congregation, and those with or without faith amongst the wider community of the Eastern Wheatbelt and beyond.

The role will include helping people with issues such as:

- Illness and bereavement
- Emotional issues and relationship problems
- Loneliness and the difficulties of isolation

You will also play an important part in encouraging new members and old in their walk of faith and personally contributing to the life and vitality of the congregation.

Your responsibilities will include:

- Join the Merredin Church congregation
- Assist with worship services

- Provide support and opportunities for worship for people, particularly where they are unable to attend their usual place of worship (due to being in hospital or aged care, for example)
- Assist in the nurture and development of family, children, and youth ministries
- Undertake administrative tasks, keep accurate records, collect and analyse data, and provide written reports
- Administration and technical support
- Developing, producing, and promoting online resources
- Maintaining and developing personal and spiritual wellbeing

About you

To be successful in this role you will have:

- A professed faith in salvation through Jesus Christ and acceptance of the authority of the Word of God.
- Excellent listening, communication, and interpersonal skills.
- An understanding and willingness to engage with people of all cultures, faith groups and diversity.
- The ability to assess and respond respectfully to people's spiritual, religious, and pastoral needs, which may be complex, contentious, or sensitive.
- The ability to act with calmness and integrity in times of stress.
- A strong commitment to people who become vulnerable and an understanding of the factors affecting their lives.
- Teamwork skills and the ability to work independently.
- Resilience and able to adapt to unexpected situations.
- Administrative, time management and organisational skills with the ability to manage a varied and sometimes complex caseload.

Next Steps

To apply, please email [Bob French](#) and attach your resume and a cover letter explaining why you are interested in this opportunity. Please also indicate the hours/days that you are available on a part-time basis, or if you are seeking full time employment.

If you would like further information about the opportunity, please contact Steve Higgins on 0473 231 928 or by emailing merredin.church@outlook.com.

Applications close: Friday 3 May 2024

Please note we reserve the right to close applications early should a suitable candidate be identified.