

Will you be a CMS Global Edge Church?

Come to the edges with us

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Many of us know people who are not connected to the church. But God hasn't given up on them.

CMS is called to follow Jesus to the edges, beyond the church walls, out into the community and use our God-given creativity to help people discover that Jesus is for them.

Through imaginative activities such as arts, sports, youth mentoring, pioneering prison ministry, ethical enterprises – and so much more – we are seeing people become followers of Jesus in extraordinary ways. From the streets of Honduras to communities in Hull, people are finding life-changing hope and sharing it with others.

The people you are supporting

As a Global Edge Church, you will be supporting CMS partners around the world discovering creative ways to share the hope of Jesus. **Dr Harvey Kwiyani**, working in Liverpool, UK, will share regular updates about what God is doing in his context and introduce you to inspiring stories from others in this wider area of work. Meet **Harvey**:



Location: Liverpool, UK

What I do: An academic focused on mission in a world on the move, exploring how diaspora Christian communities are reshaping global mission

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Liverpool has long history of involvement in the movement of people across the world. *Many migrants still find themselves living in this vibrant city today. I am one of them. Originally from Malawi, I have lived, worked and studied in Europe and North America for the past 20 years. I researched African Christianity and African theology for my PhD, and taught African theology at Liverpool Hope University.*

I founded and I am still the executive director of Missio Africanus, a mission organisation established in 2014 as a learning community focused on releasing the missional potential of African and other minority ethnic Christians living in the UK.

I am a missiologist and theologian, who leads the African Christianity Programme for CMS Pioneer Mission Training. I also lead the Acts 11 Centre for Global Witness and Human Migration. Today we live in an age of migration. Some find this confusing. Some find it threatening. We welcome it as a gift and a unique opportunity to bear witness to Jesus – together.

Meet more people who, with your support, are discovering creative ways to share hope:
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Your impact

As a Global Edge Church, your generous gifts and prayers will help Marcio, Noemi and other CMS partners share hope and see people meet Jesus...



People like Owen, who had been on the streets in Honduras, taking drugs and rejected by family. But after years of mentoring from CMS mission partner **Steve**, Owen is now studying at university, running a barber's shop and pointing other young people to Jesus.



Mission partners Chris and Anna share their everyday life with people like **Nicky,** who they met through Breakfast Club, where Anna and Chris show that God cares for people in a deprived area of Hull everyday, not just on Sundays.



Local partner **Flavio** in Brazil was delighted to baptise **Daniele** at the church he leads in Brazil. He had got to know her through a community market started by mission partners **Rosie and Stu** to provide physical and spiritual nourishment.

How we'll help your church connect with mission

- Through **a welcome film** introducing Harvey and CMS's work to discover creative ways to reach people and communities who are unconnected to church.
- **Written updates** from Harvey three times per year, with news and stories from Liverpool and from their colleagues around the world in this area of work.
- **Inspiring stories and prayer points** from people whose lives are being touched and transformed thanks to your generosity, and tips on how to share these with your church.
- **Display materials** for your church noticeboard.
- The opportunity to welcome **a CMS speaker** to share about work sharing hope with those who are unconnected to church.

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When we look at the life of Jesus, we see that he spent time with people at the edges, often to the astonishment of the establishment. Sick people, poor people, tax collectors, those who were often avoided due to their "sinner" status – Jesus welcomes them. He offers grace, healing, restoration, love – and he invites them to be part of his story.

Church Mission Society is likewise called to connect with people at the edges: the edges of church, the edges of society, the edges of our comfort zones. And we're always looking for others who will join us at edges near and far, to help share God's love in creative ways, knowing that person by person, community by community, this is how we will see our world made new.

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