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BRF announces new appointments to Parenting for Faith, Anna Chaplaincy and Messy Church



Parenting for Faith Anna Hawken

Anna joined the Parenting for Faith team as national coordinator in 2018 and took over as the team lead in February 2022. Before this, she worked in local churches using Parenting for Faith resources. She lives in Milton Keynes with her husband Matt and their three children.

She writes: 'The Parenting for Faith approach and tools have transformed my ministry, my parenting and my own relationship with God. I cannot think of anything I'd rather do than help other people experience that too. I am so excited to see where God leads the ministry next!'



Anna Chaplaincy **Debbie Ducille**

Debbie Ducille joins the Anna Chaplaincy team as church lead after holding various roles in education, the voluntary sector and Christian ministry. She is passionate about relational life in the church and enabling people in their connections to live well together. Based in Birmingham for the last 20 years, Debbie also studies theology, enjoys food from around the world and gardening.

Debbie writes, 'I am so pleased to join the wonderful Anna Chaplaincy team and thankful that I get to be a part of what God is doing through them. Sometimes you encounter a ministry that is bursting with life, potential and the transforming power of the Spirit – you just want to join in! Anna Chaplaincy feels like such a ministry. I'm really looking forward to meeting both with existing Anna Chaplaincy partners and enabling new relationships around the country.'

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Messy Church Aike Kennett-Brown

Aike's appointment as the new lead for Messy Church was first announced in January as Messy Church founder Lucy Moore left for a new role with the Church of England. Aike has been involved with Messy Church since 2010, pioneering a volunteer-led Messy Church in south-east London. Aike joined the diocese of Southwark in 2017 as mission support officer, championing, equipping and encouraging parishes in their ministry with children, young people and families.

She has also been part of BRF's Messy Church national support teams and is looking forward to starting a Messy Church Goes Wild project in her local community.

She writes: 'I am delighted to be joining the BRF team as Messy Church ministry lead. I look forward to meeting new and familiar faces, particularly at the third Messy Church Conference in May 2022. I hope our gathering will provide encouragement for the wider Messy Church movement as we wade through this season of pandemic. God gave me three words for Messy Church as I fasted and prayed ahead of my interview: sustainable, intergenerational and discipleship. I look forward to exploring these areas together during this next season.'



Messy Church Sally O'Hare

As Jane Butler becomes training lead for Messy Church, her coordinator role is taken by Sally O'Hare. Sally comes from Walsall and has been on the leadership team of her Methodist Messy Church since it began in 2013. In 2015 she helped to setup and now coleads a discipleship and fellowship group for the adults who attend Messy Church. Before she joined BRF Sally worked for Network Rail project managing construction projects.

Sally writes: 'I have seen just what a difference Messy Church makes and the way it can inspire people to take the next steps in their Christian faith, whether that's through getting involved in planning sessions, helping to lead activities or parts of the celebration, or conversations over food or through our fellowship and discipleship group. For me personally it's been great to see us develop into a community where people see Messy Church as their church. I'm excited at the chance to get more involved in the work being done by BRF to sustain, develop and grow Messy Church – particularly with the volunteers and the amazing work being done right across the country.'

For more information and to arrange interviews please contact Eley McAinsh, press and media officer, on eley.mcainsh@brf.org.uk



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