



I am currently a student Deacon studying at The Queen's Foundation in Birmingham. I recently moved to Birmingham from Sheffield, with my wife, who is a Teacher of the Deaf, and our 2 sons.

Before this I have mainly worked in the printing industry. After leaving school I did an apprenticeship as a printer and graphic designer and spend 11 years working for the company until I started my own business.

I closed my business after my second son was born to spend more time with my family and went to work part-time for another printing company, looking after my son and also studied part-time at the Urban Theology Unit in Sheffield.

I left the print industry completely after being made redundant and found a job working for the Methodist Church as a Community Development Worker in the south of Sheffield. Here I worked alongside the various community agencies looking at improving community life. During this time I started a teenager drop-in centre, mainly working with disaffected teenagers who were often shunned by the community. This was very challenging work, but also very rewarding.

I have a heart for the liberation theology, living and working alongside people who society usually ignores and rejects, showing them the Good News of Jesus. (I've often found the good news is a good meal and someone who will listen!)

I have spent most of my spare time over the years playing keyboards in various bands. Through this I have developed a love for all types of music, although I have a real soft spot for 70's disco!

With my spare time (if I had any) I love baking, playing music, building and repairing computers and spending time with my family.