

# Job and Person Specification

Title of role:	Senior Pastor (English Ministry)
Church:	Cowandilla Christian and Missionary Alliance Church of South Australia (English Ministry)
Affiliation:	The Christian and Missionary Alliance of Australia
Type of Appointment:	Full-time, Contract (12 months)

#### **Primary Purpose**

The Senior Pastor is one who is gifted in and is called to church ministry, loves God's people, capable to cast a vision for ministries under his direction, and has a passion for evangelism, outreach, and missions both personally and at the ministry level within a culturally diverse, multi-generational congregation setting.

#### Key Relationships / Interactions

The Senior Pastor is expected to work closely with the:

- Board of Elders
- English Deacon Board; and

In addition, the Senior Pastor will liaise with other congregations of the church to build a fruitful relationship.

#### **Special Employment Conditions**

- The successful applicant is required to gain a valid *Working with Children Check* prior to being employed which is to be renewed every five years before expiry
- Some out of hours work maybe required
- Applicants must be vaccinated against COVID-19 or have an approved medical exemption endorsed by a recognised and reputable institution. Proof of vaccination status must be provided for sighting on request.
- Australian full drivers' license qualification

#### Responsibilities

Key responsibilities	Specified Duties
Leadership	<ul> <li>The Senior Pastor will:</li> <li>Oversee the English ministry in consultation with the Senior Pastor and will be a member of all English ministry committees.</li> <li>Be a member of the church strategic planning committee.</li> <li>Plan for the future of the English ministry in consultation with the Senior Pastor and Board of Elders.</li> </ul>
Proclamation, Worship and Prayer	• Ensure the Word of God is appropriately proclaimed and defended, standing firm against false doctrines.

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	<ul> <li>Agree with C&amp;MA Statements of Faith, Marriage, Divorce, Remarriage, Homosexuality, Same-Sex Marriage, Gifts of the Spirit.</li> <li>Be responsible for the pulpit supply and the spiritual quality of the worship services.</li> <li>Be the main preacher for Sunday Services.</li> <li>Assist the Senior Pastor to conduct monthly Holy Communion for the English Congregation.</li> <li>Pray regularly for the members of the church, organise, and lead the English prayer meeting.</li> <li>Conduct ceremonial sacraments such as baptisms, infant dedication ordinances and funeral ceremonies as required.</li> <li>Conduct weddings if ordained by the C&amp;MA Australia.</li> <li>Oversee all fellowships and groups in the English ministry. Advise of suitable biblical study programs for the participants of all fellowships and groups.</li> </ul>
Nurturing, Edifying and Caring	<ul> <li>Ensuring current and potential members of the English congregation are encouraged to grow, to bring about maturity in Christ.</li> <li>Provide Christian counselling services to the English congregation in conjunction with the Senior Pastor.</li> <li>Provide support and care for the leaders of the English ministry.</li> <li>Visit people in need and pray for the sick.</li> </ul>
Leadership Training	<ul> <li>Seek out, recruit, train and maintain current and potential future leaders of the English ministry.</li> <li>Think strategically about training of the future leaders through identifying gifts of existing and potential leaders and provide opportunities for these members to use these gifts.</li> <li>Lead local/overseas community outreach programs – encourage the English congregation to share the gospel with people in our community and set a good example to the leaders and the congregation.</li> </ul>
Children Sunday School Ministry	<ul> <li>The Associate Pastor shall provide biblical and constructive advice, in consultation with the Senior Pastor, to the leaders who are in charge of the Children Sunday School* ministry.</li> <li>*The church may not require the Associate Pastor to run the Children Sunday School directly.</li> </ul>
Personal Growth	<ul> <li>Take responsibility for personal growth and accountability.</li> <li>Act as a role model for other believers.</li> <li>Establish appropriate relationships with other ministry leaders (within and outside of the church).</li> <li>A review committee will conduct an annual review each year for adjustment, improvement, and personal growth.</li> <li>If not ordained, to complete the requirements for C&amp;MA ordination program within three years of service.</li> </ul>

Other requirements	<ul> <li>Remain accountable to the Senior Pastor and the Board of Elders.</li> <li>Provide bi-monthly ministry reports to the Senior Pastor and Board of Elders.</li> <li>Attend to matters that may be assigned by the Board of Elders as required.</li> <li>In the absence of a Senior Pastor, the Associate Pastor may be expected to take part in chairing the following committees (if appointed by the Board of Elders):         <ul> <li>English Deacons Board Meeting</li> <li>English Strategic Planning Committee</li> <li>The English preliminary Annual General Meeting (AGM)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	• The Associate Pastor is expected to work cooperatively with pastors from other congregations.

### **Technical Expertise**

Skills and Knowledge (essential)	<ul> <li>Experience working as a Pastor or similar type of role</li> <li>Sound written and verbal communication skills</li> <li>Ability and capacity to prioritise, work under pressure, and deal with multiple competing priorities</li> <li>Applies tact and diplomacy and maintains confidentiality</li> </ul>
Qualifications and Experience (desirable)	Tertiary level qualification in divinity/ministry

## **Behavioural Capabilities**

Element	Behaviours
Supports Strategic Direction	<ul> <li>Utilises gifts in vision setting for church ministries</li> <li>Supports church strategic direction and plans</li> <li>Communicates plans in practical terms to others</li> <li>Identifies and raises awareness of potential problems and opportunities</li> <li>Identifies and manages risk as appropriate</li> <li>Actively participates in business planning</li> <li>Contributes to the drive for change and innovation</li> </ul>
Maintains working relationships	<ul> <li>Maintains effective working relationships by working cooperatively with others</li> <li>Actively seeks relevant information and is respectful of others' views</li> <li>Shares/provides information and knowledge as appropriate</li> <li>Is aware of the situation and audience in work environments and acts accordingly</li> <li>Actively listens and communicates clearly</li> <li>Seeks ways to resolve conflict</li> </ul>
Demonstrates personal drive for Jesus	<ul> <li>Expressive, passionate, and enthusiastic about following Jesus</li> <li>Personable and compassionate towards others</li> <li>Proactive about strengthening their biblical knowledge</li> <li>Takes initiative and leads others towards Christ</li> </ul>