



GIRL ON A MISSION

Jenn Newingham

I will be moving to Birmingham, England for three years for cross-cultural ministry. I will serve in two roles while there: an EQUIP Britain coach and as a member of the Companions for Hope leadership team.

EQUIP Britain is an immersive cross-cultural ministry experience for individuals interested in learning reproducible disciple-making and church-planting strategies. As an EQUIP Britain Coach, I have the

opportunity to play a part in the ministry stories of other individuals as they head towards the mission field. I am overwhelmed thinking about how this small role allows me to assist in reaching various people groups across the globe.

EQUIP Britain coaching allows me to speak into the lives of missionaries. I will have the opportunity and honour to help them prepare for field work. Alongside the leadership team, EQUIP Britain participants will be prepared to go and make disciples across the globe, using respectful and effective tools gained through EQUIP Britain.

Companions for Hope is an intentional Christian collective rooted in the neighbourhood of Summerfield in Birmingham, England. I am excited to return to my service with Companions for Hope and to see how God will continue to move through the relationships I have built and the work that the Companions are doing in and around this community. Birmingham is classified as "super diverse" with a large population of asylum seekers and refugees. This diversity is seen in the neighbourhood of Summerfield. Through my work with Companions for Hope I interact with people from all faith and ethnic backgrounds and it is in this role that I model and share the love of Jesus.



My personal vision for ministry is my desire to live out 1 Peter 3:15, "But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect." I truly believe that in looking back over my life and my experiences, God has prepared me for cross-cultural ministry in England. God even used my career path and passion for teaching adults to prepare me for my coaching role with EQUIP Britain. It is my joy to be able to live in obedience to God's guiding and to love the people of Birmingham, England.

I am passionate about these ministries because my heart breaks for those who have not experienced the freedom that a relationship with Christ can provide. I care about improving the quality of life for those in Birmingham while on earth, but to also share with them the beauty that has been offered to us regardless of earthly circumstances.