

"I heartily commend Lois Adams to you. She is a servant hearted, gospel focussed worker for the kingdom. She is bilingual and highly skilled. She is in gospel work for the long haul. I have witnessed her diligence , creativity and willingness to work hard, in a team or on her own, in the service of others, churches (which are not her own) and our needy community. In days when some consider there to be lack of gospel workers we now have the opportunity to support financially and prayerfully someone who God has raised up for this very purpose. "

Dr David Norbury

Chair of EMW, Trustee of WLF, Deputy Chair of the England and Wales UBM committee, member of LFEC, Llanelli.

"Un o'r pethau mae llawer o eglwysi yn ei ffeindio'n heriol yw creu cysylltiadau gydag eraill er mwyn cyflwyno neges yr efengyl mewn ffordd ffyddlon a ffresh. Yn ei ras mae'r Arglwydd wedi donio Lois gyda'r gallu i wneud yr union beth yma mewn ffyrdd creadigol. Ac diolch iddo, mae wedi rhoi baich iddi wasanaethu yma yng Nghymru lle mae'r angen mor fawr."

Rev Emyr James

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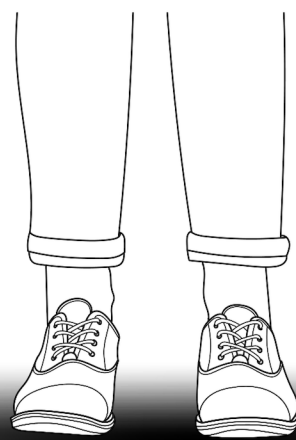
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We are people who believe that The Gospel is worth sharing. We are also aware that it can be hard at times and we all need encouragement and inspiration to keep going. He is a Saviour who deserves to be shared personally and publicly, in dramatic and quiet ways. This can look different to every generation, age and culture. Although our Lord and his gospel never change, there are different ways of communicating it, as we are all different. Sometimes you have to break down assumptions, come along-side, sympathise or create a place of belonging.

God has put my feet in two worlds - one foot on artistic land, creativity and culture and the other in his Church, with my family in the faith. God in his grace has enabled me to develop skills and experiences in creative evangelism and given me this passion.



Why get involved with our culture?

God is Lord over all things (Creator and Sustainer), and has created us to be cultivators - we can enjoy, get involved and create culture wherever we are. Art, craft, poetry, music, theatre, film, television etc. are all ways we as people communicate and try to make sense of the 'roller coaster' we know as life. Culture raises deep questions, often through stories, expressing emotions and communicating joy or lament.

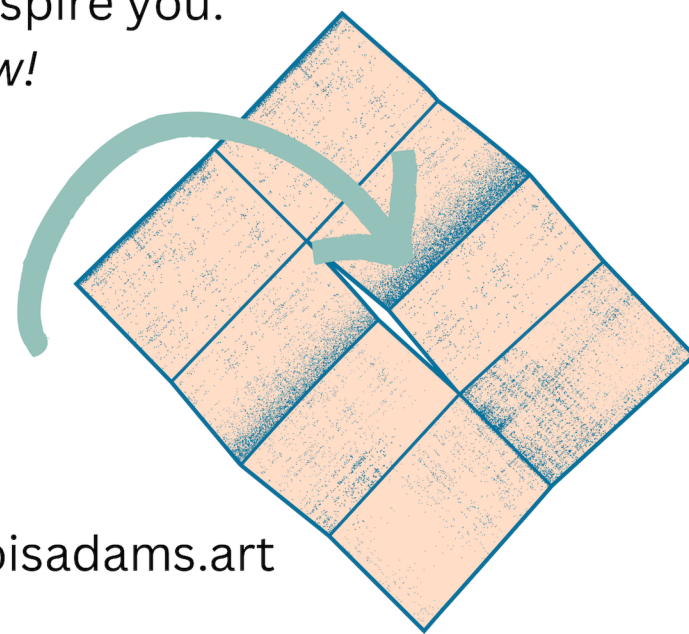
Where are we as Christians when our culture explores these deep themes? We're sometimes too ready to give answers. The more difficult skill is to be able to listen well, ask questions to get to the heart of the issue while showing genuine interest as we get to know and love them.

Do you as a church or as an individual want to reach out in more imaginative ways?
Get more involved in the creative community?

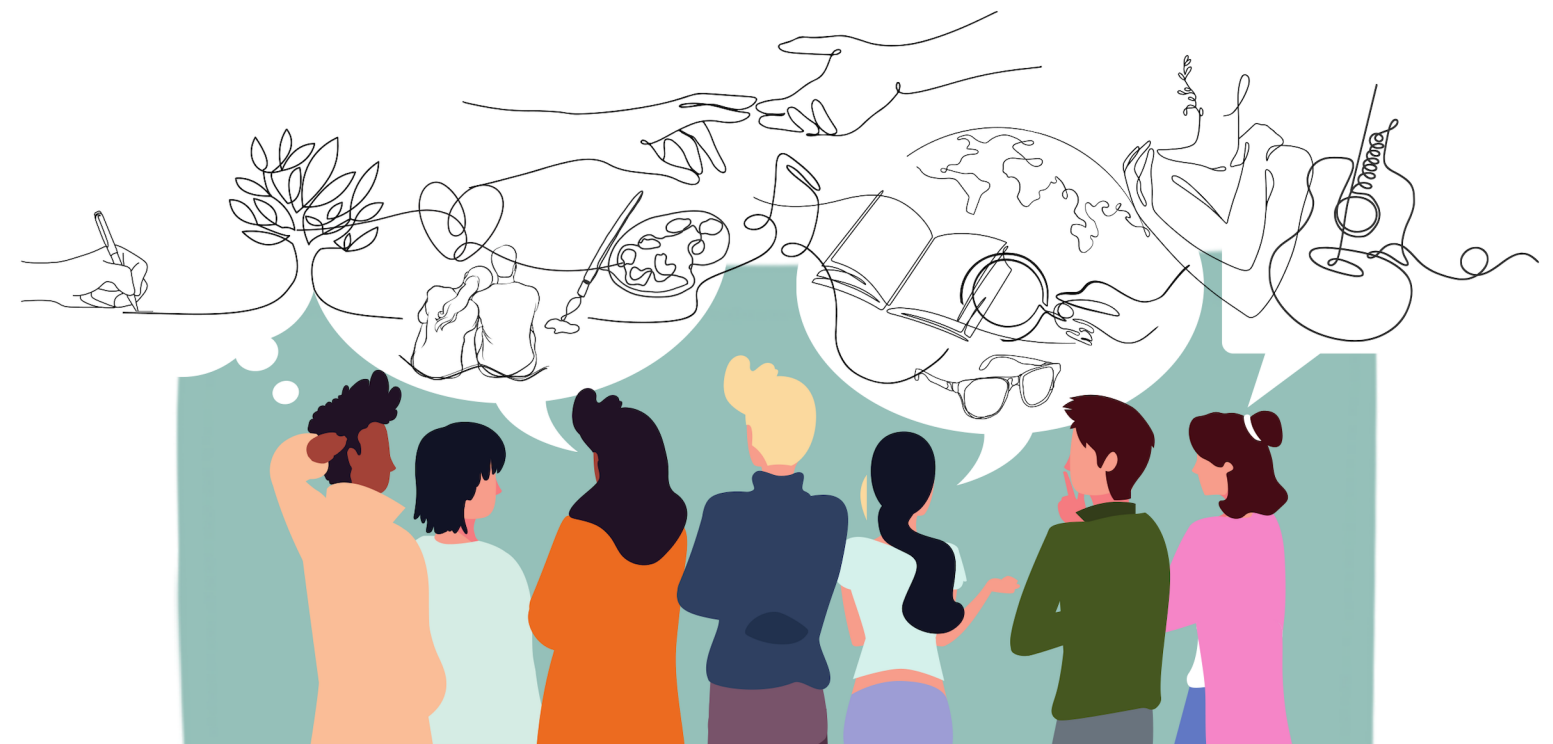
I would love to help you - I don't have a 'magic formula', but I am happy to walk along side you while we try out creative ideas and seek to witness. The first step is discussing what will work for you as an individual, a small group or an entire church. I would love to talk and collaborate with you.

In the past I have been involved in a wide variety of creative projects in Welsh and English; on a large and small scale; public and personal. I've been able to learn some lessons and best practices along the way that I am eager to share. Here are some projects I've done in the past and may inspire you.

Open this booklet up to view!



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Our evangelism flows out of a deep joy in God as we glorify Him in everything we do: the talking, the planning, the choices, the invitations and the conversations. In our behaviour and our words we communicate the gospel and the character of God.

When engaging with our culture, we are dealing with people made in His image - their questions, thoughts, fears and beliefs. Our prayer is that God gives us an opportunity to develop relationships, ask questions, share life, praying that people will be interested, even eager, to know more.

Here are projects I have done in the past that may inspire you;

Art Exhibition

Showing a collection of art that tackles a certain theme or celebrates local artists.

An Art Exhibition is a way of drawing people together on a common platform.



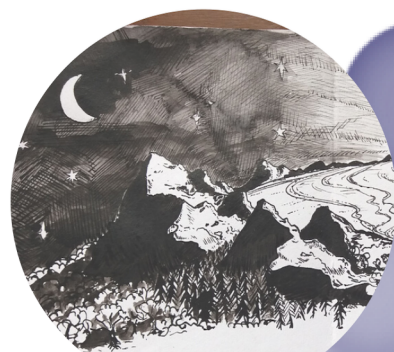
Shadow Puppet Show

This is an engaging way to re-tell and introduce Bible stories and characters to all ages. Shadow puppetry is not only for children, but for the whole family. It's an atmospheric experience combining visuals and the Word.



Trail

Creating a trail can entail large 2D or 3D characters that are placed outside in your community, in parks or inside. These trails work best within a theme such as Nativity, Narnia, Easter etc. Trails are excellent at interacting with your local community.



- An empty wall? What about a mural?
- Create a distinctive community magazine.
- Design a mini museum or 'experience' to invite others in.
- Make short videos or animations.
- Set design or live art for events or talks.
- Engaging with artists in your community.
- Helping in engaging with local fairs/festivals in your community.
- For more ideas see website: www.loisadams.art/engage



Supporting artists for the long run.

One element that I feel passionate about is encouraging artists who are Christians. Supporting them to live for Christ in their industry. Part of that is connecting churches with artists. Some artists could serve in their various disciplines, such as; poets, actors, singers, musicians, illustrators, graphic designers etc.

This is why I'm associated with Morphe Arts, co-lead **Morphe Arts CYMRU** and work alongside many other similar organisations. (Morphe is a network for graduate and professionals of Christian faith in the Creative Arts).
www.morphearts.org



The first step is to meet and talk. I would love to collaborate with you.
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I've loved being involved in Creative Evangelism in Wales over the last two years and I see the potential for further growth.

Would you consider supporting me in prayer, and also in practical and financial ways. You can support as an individual, church or organisation. Prayer and financial support will enable me to continue this work, perhaps with you or more widely with our family in the faith.

My desire is to give everyone the opportunity to hear and get to know Jesus Christ and discuss life's big questions using our culture, the Creative Arts and the imagination. My heart is to help others in Wales to be brave, imaginative and creative in evangelism, and to see more come to know Him personally. My hope is to be funded by the church for the church. In all of this I'm leaning on our Heavenly Father for the future.

Practical:

- I am looking for people who are willing to carry me in prayer. This is a spiritual battle. If you would like to receive news through prayer letters or open evenings or both, you can sign up here: www.loisadams.art/support

- I'm also looking to raise funds towards my salary (ideally full time). I am aiming to raise £2,200 per month.

The Cardiff Welsh Evangelical Church (my home church) has very generously provided the means by which you can give towards the work, and the church is happy to administer this for me.

If you are in a position to give monthly, this will help stabilize my salary. It's an uneasy financial climate so any donation, large or small, will enable me to help others to evangelize creatively, through the help of God's Holy Spirit.



Give via Stewardship: an easy and fast online giving: <https://account.stewardship.org.uk/donation/oneoff/LoisAdams>



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