

My name is Nikki Kirkland, I was born in Edinburgh but grew up in Grangemouth. I met my husband Eck in 1997, we married in 2009 and now live in Gilmerton.

I studied clothing design and manufacture at Heriot Watt in Galashiels and found my love of embroidery while there. I've been running my own business since 2006 and in November 2020 my friend Kate and I partnered up and started a new business

called Sew Ho Studios and our studio is based in Abbeymount.

After feeling a restlessness for a year or 2 and encouragement from people in the church I felt God was calling me to ministry, I started the discernment process in 2016 and felt that OLM was a great fit for my calling. My call specifically is to encourage and support a church in establishing a project or ministry they want to launch and maintain.

I'm also very interested in business chaplaincy and am training with Work Place Chaplaincy Scotland. I am keen to explore how to be creative in and through worship in the everyday things we do, such as with spreadsheets and making tea as well as looking at art and speech.

I'm very keen to meet people and can normally be convinced to go and do anything with the promise of a cuppa