



Name: Russell De Alwis

Location: Colombo, Sri Lanka

Home town: Sri Lanka

**Mission programme:** Integral Missions and Church Relations; LEADS

Russell began working with LEADS, a community development organization that is passionate and purposeful about reaching the most vulnerable in Sri Lanka, as a Child Protection Officer. He began serving as the Church Relations Coordinator, as well as Training Coordinator since 2018.

Part of Russell's work involves establishing strong network and connections with local Pastors, Churches and Christian academies, such as the Lanka Bible College and Colombo Theological Seminary (CTS). He is also involved in teaching, motivating and strengthening local Church leaders to engage in Missions in a holistic manner.

As the Church Relation coordinator at LEADS, he is currently involved in promoting the concept of "Integral Mission" to church leaders all around Sri Lanka. This is to encourage church leaders to demonstrate God's love through helping people who are in need in their respected communities.

Russell began his ministry working with children and to this day, he is passionate about bringing children freedom from abuse and oppression, whilst educating and creating public awareness on how children should be better protected. He has always had the heart to serve God being involved in missions to serve communities who do not know Christ.

During his theological education and learning more about Integral Missions, Russell gained more depth and understanding on how he can do this.