

Elim Pentecostal Church, York

Youth Worker (2 - 3 days per week, negotiable)

Job Description

Responsible to

Senior Pastor, then to Church Eldership

Person Specification

We are looking for a person who cares about the young people in our community and in our church. Someone with a lively faith in Jesus Christ and a sense of enjoying doing the work God has called them into.

Personal maturity and a proven track record of successful ministry with young people. Understanding, patience and empathy with the 11-18 age range. Youth work qualification desirable but not essential.

They will become a member of the York Elim Pentecostal Church.

Purpose

To take lead role under Senior Pastor and eldership to coordinate youth ministries and activities in our church.

Inspire and excite the York Elim young people with a passion for Jesus.

To exercise a pastoral/discipleship role among the young people.

Recruit, coordinate and encourage a team of volunteer youth helpers (many of whom will be uni students).

To assist the Senior Pastor with related tasks and projects as directed.

Basic Job Description

Develop and coordinate evangelism and discipleship ministries among the church young people and their friends.

Hold regular discussions with Senior Pastor (or other eldership appointed person) for review to develop vision and strategy.

After the Senior pastor, to carry the lead responsibility for the oversight of the youth in the church.

Build positive relationships with the young people.

Be an excellent role model of a Christian life-style for our young people.

Inspire, support and coordinate a team of adult volunteers to help with youth ministries.

Enable young people to actively engage with city-wide Christian youth events, residential weekends, camps/house parties, etc.

Work with the church's Child Protection Coordinators to promote good practice in line with the church's Child Protection Policy.

About Us

Over the past ten years, our church has experienced transformation from a small city centre congregation, to a vibrant centre of teaching and worship, serving all ages and about 20 nationalities, including a large number of uni students. Sunday meetings are held in a primary school with good facilities; we have recently acquired a suite of offices and meeting rooms close to the city centre, these form a base for midweek activities including youth work. Elim is regularly involved in city-wide church events such as the annual Easter open-air baptisms. York Elim's ministry team consists of Graham Hutchinson who is the Senior Pastor and co-chairman of One Voice (York's network of church leaders), Matt Parkins the other full time Pastor, and a team of elders who share in pastoral oversight and strategic leadership.

What we can offer you

- Be part of a multi-national, vibrant, friendly, growing congregation in an historic city.
- A small Youth Worker Support Group to review your work and encourage you.
- Prayer backing, fellowship, personal support and encouragement for professional development.
- Active 20s/30s group and home groups.
- Café style services, respected preaching ministries, student-led worship.
- Committed volunteers delivering the current children's and youth work.
- Group of around 14 teenagers who regularly attend the various church-based activities.
- Links to strong city wide youth/schools ministries which offer training opportunities.
- IT resources.
- Help with finding accommodation.
- Support for attendance at Christian training events/conferences.
- Reasonable expenses e.g. mobile phone, mileage, resource materials
- An annual review.

What we pray God will send our way

- A committed and enthusiastic Spirit-filled evangelical Christian who has all or most of the following qualities: An infectious excitement about Jesus' love for young people. An excellent role model for our young people.
- Commitment to working with young people both within and outside the church.
- Ability to disciple young people.
- Experience of youth work alongside volunteers.
- Leadership skills, good organisational skills.
- Sporting interests, musical gifts - or other relevant talents!
- Willing to assist with the annual Elim Regional Youth Camp (two weeks in summer, attended by over 500 children and young people)

Hours are negotiable but we envisage this to be a part-time post of 2-3 days per week (or equivalent) including time on Sunday.

Pay is negotiable depending upon experience and qualifications.

This post is subject to an enhanced CRB disclosure.

Deadline for applications: Thursday 30th April

For an informal discussion or to request an application form please telephone 01904 422322 or email mail@yorkelim.com

Applications by CV with letter of application and names and addresses of two referees (one of whom should be a church leader).