

Youth Worker Vacancy

Overview:

New Generation Church is a Pioneer Church that is based in the London Borough of Bexley. We are a church who love people and are excited about serving our local community. We have a big impact in the community due to our action and influence. As a church, we believe in community transformation by showing practically the love of God. We believe that the Gospel changes lives. We run many projects in the community where we have the opportunity for outreach.

We are committed to serving the community of which we are part, and for many years have run dynamic events and activities for all ages.

Our Current Outreach Projects include:

- Lark in the Park
- Hope Community School
- Blackfen Community Library and Rooted Coffee House
- Sparkles Preschool Groups
- Freedom
- Free60 Youth Project

Opportunity Summary

Thank you for considering an application to New Generation Church Sidcup. We are a church who value all ages. We are always looking for ways to include our youth in our faith journey and for them to experience and encounter God for themselves. Raising a passionate generation of children and young people is important to the life of the church.

We are looking for a creative, passionate and energetic person to develop our work with 11-18 year olds.

Role : Full Time Youth Worker

Salary: On enquiry

Hours: 37.5 hours per week (though we can be flexible). There will be evening and weekend work

Responsibilities:

Play a key role in nurturing the spiritual, emotional and social development of the youth within the church (typically ages 12-18). Lead, organise and implement programs that engage young people in their faith, foster a sense of community, and encourage them to live out Christian values. Building team will be an important part of the role.

- **Sunday mornings:**
 - To help equip, resource and build the team delivering youth work on a Sunday morning. To help create an energetic environment in which young people can grow spiritually and develop their faith: learning to hear from God for themselves.
 - To help young people play their part in the church family with regular involvement in the Sunday gatherings.

- **Midweek:**
 - To work to build on our current work with young people to help create community and develop a programme of support
 - To run and coordinate, in partnership with our key volunteers, the running of midweek groups
 - To build on our existing Community Projects for young people supporting our community and evangelism initiatives

- **Events:**
 - To help lead and coordinate the youth teams and content for our annual community outreach - Lark in the Park
 - To plan and execute key events for youth such as: residential, seasonal parties and special services

- To manage the records of children and families via our online database (ChurchSuite), including consent and group attendance
- To ensure safeguarding and policy procedures are followed at all times across the work
- To support the administration of our DBS checks and Safeguarding Training for volunteers

Person Specification Skills

Essential:

- Experience of planning and delivering interactive, creative and inspiring groups and teaching for young people
- Experience in leading teams
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to manage budgets
- Ability to build strong relationships with individuals, team and partners
- Excellent organisation and time management skills
- Basic computer skills

Desirable:

- Qualification in youth work/ministry

- Experience of working in the community
- Experience of running events
- Gifting in any way to help facilitate engagement with young people ie artistic/creative/musical

Qualities:

- Committed Spirit-filled Christian
- Passionate about seeing young people grow and flourish as Disciples of Jesus
- Passionate about seeing the church as a welcoming place for young people
- Have a heart for the community, outside of church, and to see them impacted for good and welcomed into the church
- There is an occupational requirement to join the worshipping and community life of New Generation Church

Other General Duties:

- Be aware of Safeguarding Procedures and work within Statutory Guidelines
- Work to agreed Church Policies and Procedures
- Undertake any other duties that may reasonably be requested

Accountability:

- Report to church leadership
- Attend monthly Staff Meetings and regular Leaders' Gatherings
- Be willing to become an active member of New Generation Church and take part in Church Life

To Apply:

We would love to talk to you about this role if you are interested. You can email paula@newgen.org.uk if you would like to discuss the role before you apply.

To apply please email your CV with a covering letter to paula@newgen.org.uk

