



One of the youth leaders who made a large contribution is moving away to take up a post in another church and it is now time for us to seek a paid worker to share the ministry with a willing team of volunteers. We are also seeking a new Senior Leader for the church at this time – so lots of exciting possibilities.

We are seeking to appoint a Youth Worker to work with our children / young people in helping them grow in the knowledge and love of God. The part time role would be in the region of 20 hours per week during term time, with greater flexibility during school holidays when fewer activities run. In addition to this post we are also seeking to appoint a Children and Family Worker for a similar number of hours.

The main activities for the Youth Worker would be: midweek Youth Cafe group and Youth Cell group; church-based Sunday morning and evening sessions; and some schools lunchtime and occasional assembly work. Some of these activities are weekly, others currently fortnightly. In addition, there is large successful Holiday Bible Club currently running for one week during the school summer holidays which attracts children and young people up to Year 8. Taking a group of young people to Summer Soul Survivor each year would be an exciting part of the post. For all of these activities, the Youth Worker would be working alongside volunteer youth leaders from the church family; but would be responsible for much of the session planning.

It is likely that the Children and Family worker and the Youth Worker would work together on some activities.

If you would like to have a conversation before applying please contact the Church Administrator, by email at office@bbchurch.org.uk with your contact details and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

If you would like to apply please send your CV and a letter of application based on the points in the specification/contract below to the church email address. You should include the name and address of your current church leader and an additional person who would be willing to act as referees. They need to be able to comment on your recent work with young people and on your commitment to the Lord Jesus.

At Biggleswade Baptist Church we take the safety of children, young people and vulnerable adults seriously. The successful applicant will be required to agree to a DBS check and provide two referees who can comment on the applicant's Christian commitment, recent work with children or young people and suitability for this post.

Applications should be received by midday on Monday 23rd April, preferably by email. We hope to interview for the post in the week beginning 7th May.

A draft of the likely contract that the successful applicant's work would be based upon is attached. Central to the role is our work in schools and our ministry on a Sunday to the young people within our church. The church and youth team are committed to working with the community to reach them for Christ.

We look forward to hearing from you.



Youth Worker

This job description outlines the key accountabilities of, and output required from, the post holder. It is not a definitive list and the role may well change and evolve over time.

Employer: Biggleswade Baptist Church
London Road
Biggleswade
Beds
SG18 8EB

Salary: Based on £19,000/£21,000 for 37-hour week pro rata

Hours: To be agreed based on advertised time of 20 hours per week equated across a year

Holidays: 20 days per annum pro rata calculated as an annual hourly total in addition to UK Public holidays.

Expenses: The Employer will reimburse reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of this role including attending agreed training opportunities.

Job Description: To undertake youth ministry for Biggleswade Baptist Church in liaison with the Lead Elder for youth and the Lead Minister.

Specific activities

To lead the Rock Solid schools lunchtime team, with the Children's Worker, currently on Thursdays and Friday (term time only).

To prepare the Rock Solid programme on, at least, alternate weeks (in consultation with the team).

To share leadership of 'Xword', our Sunday sessions with Years 7 to 13, at least twice monthly, throughout the year.

To lead Youth Cafe and Youth Cell, our midweek regular activities, working with a team of volunteers from within the wider church family.

To lead a section within the Holiday Bible Club – usually the first week of the school summer holiday (starting 23rd July in 2018).

To seek to develop relationships with parents and carers, especially those not currently part of the church.

To develop our Youth Facebook and other social media connections.

To be involved in and help develop other existing and new ministries, e.g. Light Party, School Assemblies, Saturday Breakfast Club, monthly Soul Survivor visits and annual Soul Survivor Camp.

To meet with the Lead Elder monthly to report on your work.

To attend appropriate training on a regular basis including any local network opportunities.

This is a fixed term post for two years, in the first instance, to be reviewed after 18 months