

Child Youth Family Team Leader (Part-time)

Who is Kingsford Church of Christ?

Our Mission: To know Christ and to make Him known

Our Vision: To equip, empower, and encourage God's people into their unique missional calling

Our Values: We value:

- People experiencing God's grace through a personal relationship
- Christ-centred relationships to build a caring community because God's word tells us that we are stronger together than we are apart
- Equipping and empowering people to live their lives full and reach out to others for God

Kingsford Church of Christ currently ministers to children (defined here as children at formal school entry into early High School) through:

- Special Religious Education (SRE) at a local school
- a yearly 5-day camp called "the Southern Cross Kids Camp-East Sydney"
- a weekly homework club during school terms known as KAZ (Kids After-School Zone)
- Sunday ministry to children and youth known as Super Sunday Club

The Role

The purpose of this role is to advance the objectives of Kingsford Church of Christ by being a connector between children, their families and the church.

The Child Youth Family Team Leader will be reporting to Eldership and operationally to the Senior Pastor, in consultation with Ministry Team Leaders including Worship Team Leader and Children's Ministry Coordinators.

Each of these young people / children's outreach work is led by volunteer team leaders. There is considerable overlap between the volunteers helping in each outreach. However, distinct teams exist and are led by individuals; there are currently 3 team leaders across these ministries.

The person we seek is one that is willing to be hands-on that is comfortable with dealing with children and their families. Through your relationship with Jesus, you will see opportunities to encourage, to teach, and be "Jesus with skin on" to the children and their families.

In return, Kingsford Church will offer you opportunities to grow, learn, and connect with other leaders across the Churches of Christ in NSW/ACT network.

Key Responsibilities and Duties

- To continue to develop the ministry to children and their families both within the church and local community with a specific focus on children transitioning to High School and young people in their High School years
- Participate in the planning and implementation of youth programs
- Develop a team of youth leaders to minister to young people
- Work collaboratively with children, young people and families to help provide appropriate spaces for children to grow in faith
- Work towards increasing the link between children, youth and family work and church community
- Ensure all relationships between leaders, children and their families are healthy by being guided by Safe Churches guidelines and practices

<u>Spiritual Gifts</u>: servanthood, teaching, encouragement, exhortation, leadership, administration and shepherding

Skills and Experience Needed

- Possesses a God-given passion to work with children and their caregivers and have a demonstrated ability to do so
- An ability to communicate effectively with people across the age range and to establish and maintain clear and open communication between team members and the Church leadership team
- Possesses a depth of understanding about faith development in children and approaches this work prayerfully, with patience and perseverance
- Is present and active with the leadership teams
- Has the ability to train others and build capacity of volunteers and to utilise the strength of team members to fulfill the function of building and sustaining an outreach to young people
- Takes responsibility for his/her own spiritual growth through personal Bible Study, Biblical Studies and/or regular attendance and participation in Life/Bible study groups

<u>Desirable</u>

- Social work or related training would be an advantage
- Training in ministry from an accredited organisation

Required abilities

- Organisational skills able to work independently and follow diligently through with tasks set
- Adaptable and accepting to the different cultural and social background of volunteers and families
- Observational Skills be mindful and present to provide practical and nurture emotional and spiritual development of both team members and children

Please note only suitable candidates will be contacted.

For further information please contact Victor Tee during business hours on 0419 200 347 Applicants are required to have the right to work in Australia. Police Checks and Working with Children checks form part of the recruitment process.