**Gateway Elim Pentecostal Church, Bradford**

**Youth Worker**

**Job Description**

**Responsible to:** Senior Pastor, then to Church Eldership.

# Person Specification

We are looking for someone who is passionate about working with people, especially young people, in our community and in our church. Someone with a lively faith in Jesus Christ and a sense of enjoyment doing the work God has called them into.

Personal maturity and a proven track record of successful ministry with children and young people. Understanding of the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual needs of children and young people.

Ability to work alongside church leadership, parents, school and church congregation to encourage faith and discipleship in children and young people.

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

Note that there is a genuine occupational requirement that the post holder is a committed Christian in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 9 of the Equality Act 2010.

# Purpose

* To take a lead role under Senior Pastor and leadership team to coordinate youth and children’s ministries and activities in our church and get involved in church life
* Inspire the Bradford Elim children and young people with a passion for Jesus
* To provide a pastoral/discipleship role among church families, children and young people.
* Assist with recruitment of volunteer children’s and youth helpers
* To coordinate the ministries to children and young people, and to look for new opportunities to develop their faith within their family and the church community
* To assist the Senior Pastor with related tasks and projects as directed
* To identify and implement ways in which children and young people can play a full part in church life

# Basic Job Description

* Hold regular discussions with Senior Pastor (or other leadership appointed persons) for review and to develop vision and strategy
* Develop our community youth work and build positive relationships with the young people. A key target will be to recruit young people from the community youth work into a faith-based youth group
* Seek to develop and implement the church’s youth and children’s strategy
* Be a good role model of a Christian lifestyle 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 citywide (and beyond) Christian youth events, residential weekends, camps, etc.
* Work with the church's Child Protection Coordinators to promote good practice in line with the church's Child Protection Policy

# What we pray God will send our way

* A committed and enthusiastic Spirit filled evangelical Christian who has all or most of these qualities:
	+ An infectious excitement about Jesus’ love for young people
	+ An excellent role model for our young people and young adults
	+ 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!

This is a full-time post of 5 days per week (or equivalent) including time on Sundays and some evenings.

Start Date ASAP.

Pay is negotiable depending upon experience and qualifications, from a base point of £19,000 per annum.

This post is subject to successful DBS checks and to the successful completion of a three-month probationary period.

# Deadline for applications: 30/03/2020

For an informal discussion or to request more details please telephone 01274 680808 or email office@elimbradford.com.

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