





INFORMATION PACK



2020 – 2021 TEAM

Hi!

Thanks for downloading the Encounter Information Pack.

I wonder if you are reading this because you are at a point in your life where you are looking ahead to the future and thinking 'what is God calling me to do?'.
We have continued to keep Encounter running in an online capacity during the Covid-19 outbreak. It is our intention that the new Encounter team will start in September 2020, but we are aware that we may need to adapt the programme in order to run within the government guidelines.

Encounter provides you with the opportunity to take a year out to serve God and seek His call for your life. This is a year to experience different areas of Christian ministry and mission – giving you a chance to try them out and discern where God may be leading.

We do this by placing you in a church in North London – each with a unique setting for you to develop and grow as a disciple of Jesus. Each week starts with the team coming together for prayer, worship and training before setting out to serve in the church you are placed in.

Our heart for Encounter is to see people step out of their comfort zone for Jesus – to encounter Him in a deeper way and experience the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. I hope you will consider applying for the 2020-2021 Encounter team.

This information pack contains the details of the programme, and testimonies from our previous Encounter students. If you have any more questions about the year please do not hesitate to contact me.



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THEOLOGY

WORSHIP

MINISTRY

SIX AREAS OF EQUIPPING

MISSION

SERVING

MEDIA



THEOLOGY

Monday afternoons are set aside for practical and theological training led by local and national church and ministry leaders.



Training led by...

- **Brendan Munro**
- **Carl Beech**
- **Nick Chanda**
- **Dave Bilbrough**
- **Phil Kingham**
- **Aaron Routledge**
- **Kingdom Living Ministries (KLM)**
- **Carl Johnston**
- **Ken Swan**
- **Open Doors**

...and many more!



WORSHIP

Every week we will spend time in prayer and worship – listening and responding to God and experiencing His gifts through the Spirit.

Encounter students will be encouraged to regularly lead others in prayer and worship.



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It's been a privilege doing Encounter. I've really developed through the training, opportunities and experiences. The amount of trust and active faith I have in God has been increasing; he has been using me so much, which is an honour beyond words.

God has used me prophetically to minister to others and heal people through my hands! I've been trained in being a leader and a servant. I'm so excited to see what will happen next.

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ROSE
ENCOUNTER STUDENT (2018 – 2019)



MINISTRY



Youth & Children's Work



Leading worship



Evangelism



Preaching

Encounter students will help to run and lead various areas of ministry in their placement church

Community outreach



Media & Admin





SERVING



As well as serving in their placement church, Encounter students will have the opportunity to serve the community in projects such as the Foodbank.

They will also have the opportunity to serve at the Elim Leaders Summit.



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Taking a year out to do Encounter has been brilliant! Looking back I can see how I've grown spiritually, and how much closer with God I've become as a result of it. This year has also revealed hidden talents that I was not aware of before. But, more importantly, it's shown me what it really means to know Jesus and walk with Him day by day.

Encounter has provided some excellent teachers and scholars and they've broaden my horizons in theology, apologetics, worship, you name it! But, I honestly learnt the most from the team at Chase Family Church and the integrity in which live out their faith.

If you're thinking about taking a year out to help the church, definitely consider doing Encounter!

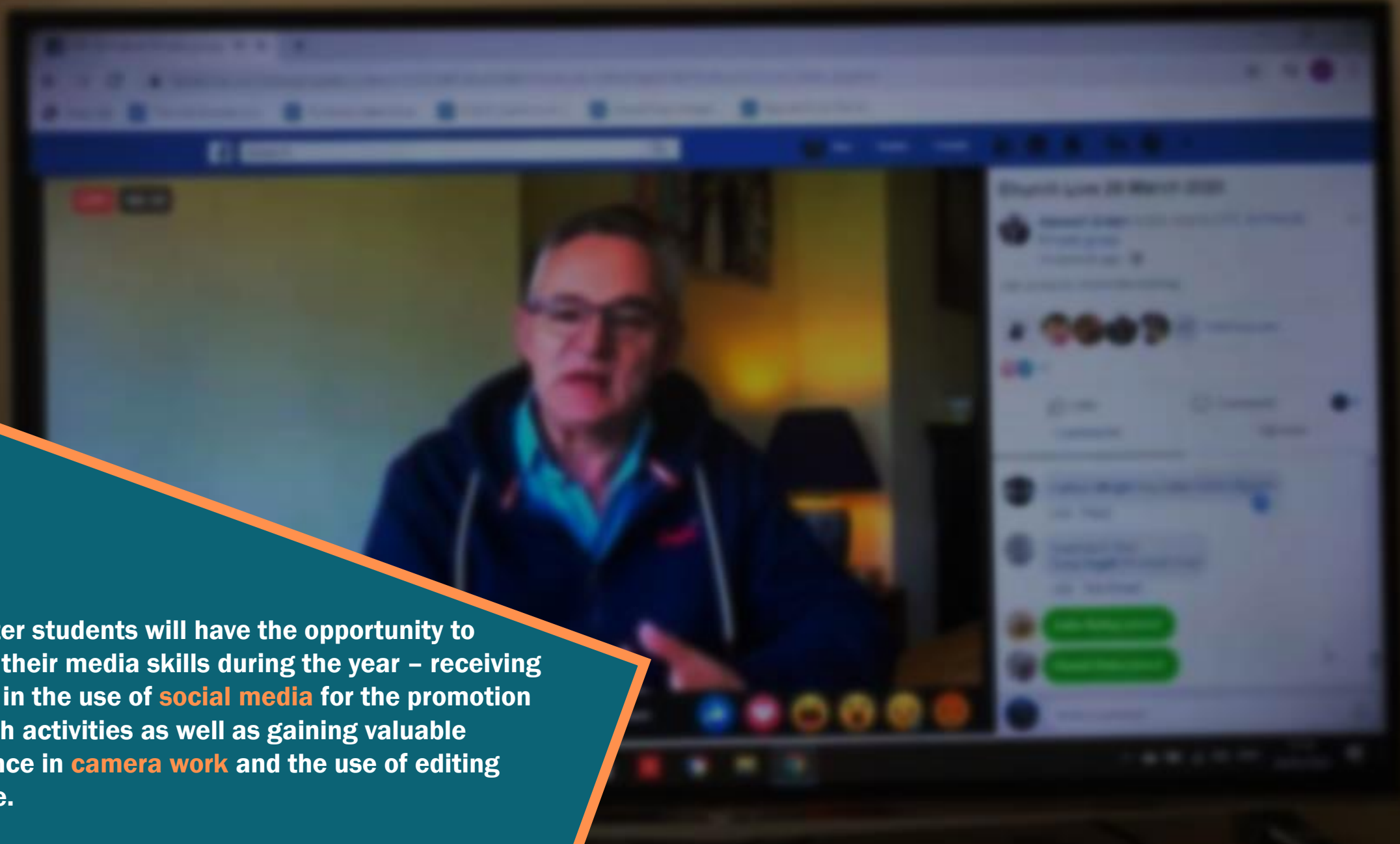
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ADONAI
ENCOUNTER STUDENT (2019 – 2020)



MEDIA

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Encounter students will have the opportunity to develop their media skills during the year – receiving training in the use of **social media** for the promotion of church activities as well as gaining valuable experience in **camera work** and the use of editing software.



MISSION



In 2021 we plan to take a team to Lebanon to serve and teach in the Lebanon Evangelical School for Boys and Girls.

There will also be opportunities to take part in local mission in the summer of 2021.

Schools Work

WE HAVE A HEART FOR OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS

In March, we reached out to one of the secondary schools in the area and have started to build a relationship with them.

The Encounter students were invited to deliver a lesson to a year 11 class to help them in their revision for their GCSE Religious Studies exam.

In September, we will be looking to do more schools work with this school... and others!

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Encounter has been great! It's helped me learn and develop my Christian faith, and I feel I have an even deeper understanding of what it means to be a child of God.

Encounter has challenged me in different areas of life, but I've learned so much throughout the year and have done so in an encouraging and supportive environment.

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MARTI
ENCOUNTER STUDENT (2019 – 2020)



We kick-off the Encounter year with a whole load of team-building activities...



TEAM BUILDING & RESIDENTIAL



... and a three day residential where we worship, pray, hear some great teaching and have lots of fun (and food) together!

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FAQ

WHAT ARE THE DATES FOR ENCOUNTER?

Encounter will start mid-September 2020 and finish with the 'Limitless' summer festival at the beginning of August 2021. *(Exact dates will be confirmed nearer the time)*

WHERE WILL I LIVE?

If you do not live locally, your placement church will arrange for you to live with a church family for the year.

WHAT SUPPORT WILL I RECEIVE?

You will be assigned a spiritual mentor for the year – someone in your placement church who will meet with you regularly to listen, encourage and pray. You will also have regular supervision time with the Encounter Coordinator.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

Each person taking part in Encounter will need to raise £2000 for the year – this covers the costs for training, the residential, travel and some living expenses. Your placement church will also contribute towards travel and living expenses. You will be required to raise money for the overseas mission trip later in the year, but we will help you plan and carry out fundraising for this.

WILL I HAVE TIME OFF?

Yes, you will be given regular time off during each week. You will also have holiday time throughout the year, including two weeks around Christmas.

HOW DO I APPLY?

The application form is available on our website, please email your completed form to Suz Tidey (suz@chasefamilychurch.com) or post it (Chase Family Church, Shirley Hall, Shirley Road, Enfield, EN2 6SB). Once we receive your form, we will review it and take up references. If your application is successful, we will invite you to an interview.



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