

South Perth Church of Christ



LIFESTREAMERS & SOUTH PERTH YOUTH Application Package

WHAT YOU WILL FIND IN THIS PACK ...

- 1. Leader Application Form**
- 2. Working With Children Check Application**
- 3. Leadership Covenant**
- 4. Application Declaration**



Thank you for taking the time to share with us about yourself. This information will be kept strictly confidential and will only be shared with the appropriate pastoral staff.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: _____ DOB: ____ / ____ / ____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____ (M) _____

Email: _____

Work Status: Part Time / Full Time / Unemployed / Student

Marital Status: Never Married / Married / Divorced / Separated

Briefly describe how you became a Christian (include approx. dates):

How would you describe your current spiritual walk?

What accountability for your spiritual walk do you have?

How do you handle confrontation or conflict?

Are there any issues or concerns in your life right now that may impact your commitment and involvement in the youth ministry (i.e. relationships, other commitments, etc.)?

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MINISTRY

Please circle the area of ministry that you wish to be involved in: (please circle)

KIDS

YOUTH

YOUNG ADULTS

How long have you attended SPCC? _____ Are you a SPCC Partner (Member)? Yes / No
If NO would you like to know more about SPCC Partnership YES / NO

What other ministry / church experiences have you been involved in?

Are you currently involved in any other areas of ministry at SPCC or elsewhere?

What spiritual gifts do you feel you have? How could they be used in this ministry?

Why do you want to work in this ministry?

What previous experience or education have you had that may be useful in this ministry?

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LEGAL / LIFESTYLE CONCERNS

In caring for young people it is our responsibility to have a youth ministry team that is able to provide healthy, safe and nurturing relationships. Please answer the following questions accordingly. Any special concerns arising from this questionnaire can be discussed individually with a member of the pastoral staff.

Are you currently using illegal drugs? Yes / No Have you ever used illegal drugs? Yes / No

Have you ever received treatment for alcohol or drug abuse? If yes, please describe:

What is your view on drinking alcohol?

Have you ever been arrested and / or convicted of a crime? If yes, please give details:

Have you had any sexual relations with any minor after becoming an adult? Yes / No

Have you ever been accused of or convicted of any form of child abuse? If yes please elaborate:

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK & CHILDSAFE TRAINING

All volunteers who work with children are required to apply for a working with children card. The aim of the process is to screen out people who have a history of abusing or exploiting children and / or violence or dishonesty. It is targeted to positions which will have direct contact with young people.

You will be required to apply for a WWCC card prior to commencing ministry. Please note that a conviction doesn't mean automatic exclusion. The information contained in a check will only be used for the express purpose of screening out people who pose a risk to children / young people. Therefore, all police checks are treated in a sensitive and confidential manner, accessed only by the nominated pastoral staff.

SOME HINTS

- Read the instructions carefully and use the example that's been given in this pack
- Use Black Pen
- Keep your signature within the box

You will also be required to undergo *ChildSafe* training within the first 6 months of ministry. Your team leader will let you know when the next training seminar is scheduled.

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SOUTH PERTH CHURCH OF CHRIST

Leadership Covenant

I acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus Christ in my life and have a personal relationship with Him. After observing the ministry, spending time in prayer and discussing with my family the commitment involved with being on the leadership team, I choose to commit to the following:

- Growing and maturing in my relationship with God through time alone with Him, active attendance at church and accountable relationships.
- Choices and a lifestyle that are Godly and “above reproach”, knowing that my lifestyle is a model for the young people that I work with. If I choose to consume alcohol I will be committed to drinking in moderation and not around young people.
- Attending team functions and making a committed attempt to attend pre-programme meetings each week where necessary.
- Making a committed attempt to recruit at least one other adult volunteer to help meet our growing need for volunteers in ministry.
- Being consistent and punctual to programmes that I commit myself to and making preparations in advance where necessary. I also agree to communicate in advance with the key leader if I will be absent.
- A commitment to pray for the ministry and the people we are seeking to minister too!
- I understand that should I choose not to fulfil my leadership commitments as stated and signed, I may be asked to step down from my position of leadership.

(Please sign this as a demonstration of your commitment to your chosen ministry area at SPCC.)

Signature _____ Date _____

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REFEREES

Please provide the names of two people to act as your referees. These people may be contacted by telephone and/or asked to complete a written reference.

- 1) Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Church (if applicable): _____

- 2) Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Church (if applicable): _____

DECLARATION

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.

I authorise South Perth Church of Christ and its representatives to use any information contained in this application form and the Police Check as is reasonably necessary for the purpose of my possible appointment and future supervision relating to working with minors.

I acknowledge that the church may contact my referees and appropriate government agencies as deemed necessary in order to verify my suitability as a youth worker.

I understand that this information will be treated confidentially and access will be given only to the pastoral staff.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

WHAT'S NEXT?

- 1) Complete the application for a working with Children check Police Check Application and have it signed by an SPCC staff member
- 2) Return completed Ministry Application to the specific ministry staff member or give to the church office or mail to: South Perth Church Of Christ, PO Box 1075 Bentley DC WA 6983 or email admin@spcc.org.au
- 3) A follow up meeting/phone call with your minister will be arranged
- 4) A letter of acceptance will be mailed out to you once the process has been completed

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Office use only:

Staff Checklist

- Applicant called and meeting arranged for _____
- Referee Checks complete? YES / NO
- WWCC Notice received? YES / NO Date _____ Number _____
- Applicant notified of next Childsafe Training? YES / NO Date Completed _____
- Children and Youth Pastors review of application and signature?

Tania Watson _____

Rod Thom _____

- Application given to admin? Date _____
- Data entered into database on _____ and by _____
- Acceptance letter Sent? Date _____

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