

There are many opportunities to serve in Kids's Ministry Team and we want to help you find the best place for you to serve. Read the short job descriptions below and see where you might fit into this team.

## **Teaching Roles:**

**Session Leaders:** All session leaders are committed members. This involves leading and overseeing the session for one of the groups. Session Leaders work with pre-produced materials provided by the central KingsGate Kids's Ministry Team. Curriculum is set by the central team. Session Leaders build and develop their own team of workers, looking for future leaders. Leaders are expected to prepare themselves thoroughly for the session beforehand and to be available at least half an hour before the services to brief their team. Session Leaders are also responsible for ensuring the room is set up and cleared after the service.

**Session Helpers:** Working with the Session Leaders, Helpers provide support to smaller groups of children. Each session involves small group work and Session Helpers provide leadership to these groups. Session Helpers reinforce teaching by leading activities suitable for small groups, talking about what is being learned, overseeing craft activities as they run, leading the group in team games, praying with the children.

Session Helpers provide a more personal experience for the children. Helpers are expected to prepare themselves beforehand, reading through the materials provided. They are also expected to be available half an hour before the service begins to pray as a team and help set up the room. All team help clear the room at the end of a session to ensure it is restored to its pre-service state.

## **Non-Teaching Roles:**

**General Helper:** Working with Session Leaders and helpers to make the whole session run smoothly. This might be taking children numbers on the door to help with swift registration, sorting out refreshments, supervising children in the toilets, helping set up before and clear down after a session. General helpers would be expected to be available half an hour before the service to join the team in a briefing and for prayer.

**Set Up/Set Down Support:** Working before sessions to help set up the rooms. This might be putting out chairs and tables, putting out craft equipment, setting up games, mixing squash and putting out biscuits. Anyone working on this team needs to be available an hour before any service or half an hour after a service.

**Special Events Support:** Working with the Kid's Ministry Team to set up and take down things for a special event. This might be helping to WOW rooms for Christmas and Easter guest services or providing support with preparing resources before an event. If you are creative this could be the role for you.

**Support of Children With Extra Needs:** Some children need extra support during their time in Kid's Ministry. This job involves working with Session Helpers to enable children to take part in as many activities as is possible for them. Needs may be physical, behavioural or emotional. Anyone working in this capacity has to be a Committed Member and needs to attend the team briefing session which takes place half an hour before the service starts. You do not have to have had experience with children with extra needs to volunteer for this job.

**Registration Helper:** Working as part of the Registration Team this is about providing the first point of contact for parents arriving at church. Some centres use an electronic form of registration – experience using a computer is not necessary but might be helpful. Registration Helpers provide support to parents as they register their children for the first time at KingsGate or as they arrive to register their children before the service. People in this role need to be available at least 3/4 of an hour before the service begins to help set up any equipment and also after the service to put equipment away.