

A group of people, seen from behind, are sitting and looking out at a city skyline. The image has a teal and orange color overlay. The word 'YOUTH' is written in large white letters, and 'SERVING ROLE DESCRIPTIONS' is written in smaller white letters below it.

YOUTH

SERVING ROLE DESCRIPTIONS

There are many opportunities to serve within KingsGate Youth and we would love to help find the best place for you to serve and use your gifts and strengths. Check out the serving role descriptions and see what might work for you.

Teaching Roles:

Sunday Team Leaders: All Sunday Team Leaders are Committed Members. This involves leading and overseeing the session for either School Years 7-8 or School Years 9-12, or both. Session Leaders work with pre-produced materials provided by the KingsGate Youth Leadership Team. Session Leaders build, develop, support and encourage their team, with a focus on raising future leaders. Team 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 before and set-down after the service.

Sunday Pastoral Team: Working with Sunday Team Leaders, the Sunday Pastoral Team create a welcoming and friendly environment, ensuring new people are welcomed and that all young people settle well into KingsGate Youth in their first few months. The Sunday Pastoral Team oversee the Youth Welcome and Befriending Team to ensure the best possible Sunday experience for young people. The Pastoral Team also facilitate small group discussions as part of the session, pray, and offer support and pastoral care to young people. The Pastoral Team are expected to prepare themselves before sessions by reading through the materials provided and to be available half an hour before the service begins to pray as a team and help set up the room, as well as helping to set-down after the service.

LifeGroups: A LifeGroup leader helps to provide ongoing discipleship to a smaller group of young people on a weekly basis, leading and facilitating discussion, praying and offering pastoral support. LifeGroup leaders are expected to prepare themselves before a LifeGroup by reading through material provided.

Non-Teaching Roles:

Friday Night Youth: Friday Night Youth Leaders are high energy and have a wide range of skills that could engage our young people. If you have a skill or area of expertise that you could train young people in, we would love to hear from you – we want to help young people become the leaders that God is calling them to be by providing opportunities for them to grow in their gifts and talents. Areas may include dance, drama, media, welcoming, prayer ministry, teaching and preaching, worship, craft and design, evangelism, and social justice, amongst others.

Mentoring roles: Providing a place for one-to-one support is so important for our young people. A mentor will meet with a young person for four sessions, once every two weeks, to offer specific support in areas such as self-esteem, careers, anxiety, eating disorders, bullying, family issues, and faith to name a few. Mentoring roles are key as we look to lead, pastor, and support our young people well as they transition into adulthood.

Support termly trips, activities & socials: During the academic year we have socials both at the KingsGate building and in other venues and locations. These can include but are not limited to things like trips to Alton Towers, Ice Skating, Activity World, and gigs. For these events to be successful we often need more team members to ensure both the enjoyment and safety of our young people.

Support of youth with extra needs: Some of our young people need extra support and this role involves serving with the Youth Team so that every young person can take part in the session. Extra needs may be physical, behavioural or emotional. Committed Membership is a requirement of this role, and those serving in this capacity will need to attend the team briefing which takes place half an hour before the service starts. You do not need prior experience of working with young people with extra needs to serve in this role.