

infusion

information

Introduction:

Infusion is a gap year scheme run by Purley Baptist Church. It was established in 2003 and has proved to be extremely valuable both to the youth ministry and the worker.

The youth work at Purley Baptist Church is varied, large and challenging. We have an Infusion worker for two main reasons. Firstly we are seeking to enhance the work in the church and community as we reach out and help to grow young people into a deeper faith in Jesus. Secondly we believe in equipping and training youth workers for service within God's kingdom.

If you are interested in this exciting opportunity then please read on for more information.

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Mark Humm – PBC Youth Pastor

What is it?

A gap year scheme working mainly within the youth department at PBC, to gain experience and training in church and community based Christian youth work.

When is it?

Infusion is a year long scheme from September – August; although the starting date and month is negotiable.

Who is it for?

The infusion scheme is for a committed follower of Jesus, who has a heart for young people and a passion to serve within the church and community.

Doing what?

Infusion is an opportunity for somebody to work in a church setting, primarily with young people. The Infusion worker will work alongside Mark Humm, Purley Baptist Church Youth Minister. The main emphasis during the year will be to assist with the work in the present programme of activities in order to build relationships with the young people. There is potential for the Infusion worker to take responsibility for different elements of the work depending on gifting. The Infusion worker will be given the opportunity to develop and implement their own vision within the work.

What goes on!

Take a look at our web site: www.pbcyouth.co.uk for a more detailed look at what we do. Below is a brief outline.

Live Loud

For young people in school yr. 6-8 every Sunday morning. Live Loud stands for Live Like Outrageous Uncompromising Disciples. We divide the time into different elements such as: Worship, Interactive talk, Creativity and Games. All with an aim of teaching the young people what it means to follow Jesus; in other words to 'LIVE LOUD'.

Vibe

Just for girls in school year 9 and older. Vibe is an opportunity for girls to grow together, share together and discover what it means to follow Jesus more deeply together. Vibe is designed to enable girls to 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength'.

The Big Picture

Just for boys in school year 9 and older. Using video clips, games and discussion, the big picture is all about showing and teaching lads the big picture of what it means to follow Jesus. The Big Picture will look at a variety of different issues that affect guys and God's perspective on them

Sports Cog

A group for young people to meet together and play a number of sports as a way of connecting with those not connected with church.

The Cage

Playing football with a group of mainly unchurched young people. Using this as a platform to get along side and share Jesus with.

Empowered

A group for girls to meet and share life together. With a programme of socials and bible study for ages 13+ years.

Qube

A drop in centre for young people, where we can build relationship and be role models. We have excellent links with the local school where most of the young people who come attend.

GENERATOR

A night that night that consists of lively worship, a relevant talk and prayer for healing. Afterwards, there's social time with drinks and tasty snack. We also have regular Q&A's, Discussion, The Mixer, Games, Socials and other fun stuff as part of the weekly programme.

Unity

This is the work that we do with our university students, it breaks into three areas as follow: Unity Events – 3-4 times a year to gather, support, pray and worship together, Unity Network – through emails, Facebook etc... keeping them up to date with things that are happening and encouraging them and Unity Adoption – having an older Christian or group who will be praying for them.

Scouts

We have groups for all ages within Scouting for boys and girls. They participate in a variety of activities and eight times a year we have a Parade service at the 11.15 Service.

Camps & House Parties

We take the young people on a couple of camps throughout the year and away on a house party to have fun and go deeper with Jesus.

Schools Work

We have good links with some of the local schools, with opportunities to take assemblies and lessons. We have run several mission weeks and a prayer week in a local secondary school. We have also been involved in harvest festivals, Christmas services and other special events.

S.A.S

This is a monthly bible study for young people to delve deeper in to the bible.

Questions and answers

DO I GET PAID?

You will be given £50 a week as pocket money and your accommodation will be provided for you.

WHERE DO I STAY?

You will stay with a church family who will provide you with meals and other things you need.

DO I NEED A CAR?

A car is NOT strictly essential but useful.

WHAT HOLIDAYS DO I GET?

You are allowed 25 days off in the year, this may include a maximum of five Sundays.

HOW MANY HOURS AM I EXPECTED TO WORK?

With this type of work there are never set hours because it is all very flexible. Some weeks will be busier than others, but will always be at least 40 hours a week.

AM I EXPECTED TO PREACH, WORSHIP LEAD OR DO UP FRONT STUFF?

There is no expectation to use people in ways that they may not be gifted but opportunities to explore will be given.

DO I GET TRAINING?

Most of it is on the job training but also part of our new 'School of Ministry' that will be run once a month.

Interested?

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If you would like to know more or have any questions, we would be delighted to talk to you.