

*Children and families Development Worker  
Newhills Parish Church, Aberdeen*

Salary: Based on scale £23,000 - £26,000 pa (pro rata)

Two-year contract (with potential for extension) for 20 hours per week

An exciting development opportunity has become available for a dedicated and passionate person to work, maintain and enhance relationships with the children, and families in this area. You will be required to build on present work within the Church, appreciate the needs of existing young families and recognise the essential need to expand the family membership within Newhills Parish Church.

Specific duties and responsibilities are detailed in the Job Description.

The post holder will work as part of a Team with the Minister who will be the line manager, and will report to the Kirk Session.

**The Key Aims of the post** are to:

- Nurture and support the children and families connected to the Church, including associated organisations such as Boys Brigade, Girl Guiding, Toddler groups, Messy Church.
- Explore other child and family input within the community and establish links with our local schools/nursery/community centre.
- Enhance relationships between the young families currently in contact with us and appreciate their needs for family focus, parenting and time with the family.
- Recruit and encourage a team of volunteers to take part in family outreach and related activities.
- Liaise with other local youth workers to develop a support network and explore opportunities for collaboration.
- Develop a Children and Family Ministry within the Church

**Essential to role:**

Proven experience of leadership

Experience or training in Christian Youth Ministry

Have excellent interpersonal skills with other age groups

Prove a high degree of organisational skills and adapt to situations as they are presented.

Excellent communication skills and an ability to think strategically.

Passion for working with children and young people and be child friendly.

Full driving license

**Desirable to role:**

Youth work qualification

IT skills

**Personal Qualities:**

There is an Occupational Requirement that the post holder is a committed Christian and can evidence a live church involvement.

Works well in a team.

Can laugh at themselves where necessary!

Shares the aims and objectives of the Church and is in full agreement with its vision and values.

**Passion for working with youth:**

Can relate to youth and families from a wide range of backgrounds.

Is passionate about the physical, emotional and spiritual wellbeing and development of young people, and about seeing them grow in Christ.

**Applications** with CV and a Personal Profile should be sent to

Newhills Church

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Aberdeen

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**Further details** can be obtained by phoning the church office (01224 716161)

**Closing date for applications** – 5pm on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017.