

WE ARE CALLING!



Gospel Ministry Worker (Mission/Connect Ministry and Youth Ministry)

Gateway is looking for a gifted Christian to join our team as a full-time Pastoral Assistant. The role is open to both male and female candidates with the appropriate gifts, passion, and Christian character. The position involves ministering in the areas of Mission/Connect and Youth.

Qualifications and Experience

The successful applicant will have experience in the youth ministry space and be passionate about seeing people come to know Christ as their Lord and Saviour

The following qualifications are essential for the role:

- Theological training at a recognised reformed and evangelical theological or Bible college.
- The successful candidate must always hold and maintain a current NSW Working with Children Check (WWCC). Moreover, they are required to complete the NSW Presbyterian Church safe ministry training (Breaking the Silence)

Our new Ministry Worker will:

- Have a deep love for God, a whole-hearted desire to live for and serve the Lord Jesus Christ and a growing relationship with Him.
- Love teenagers and have a passion to see them reached with the gospel and grow as His disciples.
- Have a highly collegiate working style alongside excellent interpersonal skills, reflected in their interactions with staff and lay leaders.
- Be eager to work in a portfolio ministry structure.
- Work comfortably under the direction of the Senior Pastor, as well as work autonomously and make decisions within the scope of the role.
- Understand child protection issues and be fully committed to the safety of all young people in our care.
- Be passionate about introducing individuals and families to Jesus and seeing them grow in their knowledge and love of Him.
- Understand that life in church leadership is a call to live a life beyond reproach and one where we model godliness through every aspect of what we say, how we act and who we are.
- Be committed to Gateway Presbyterian Church's 'Vision and Values'.

LOCATION

Gateway Presbyterian Church
Anna Bay NSW

JOB TYPE

Full Time

CLOSING DATE

30th September 2024

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this position before applying formally, please feel free to contact our Minister, Ross Pethybridge, ross@gatewaypresbyterian.org.au or our Session Clerk, Ewen Williamson, jaelwilliamson@bigpond.com

Written applications, including a brief cover letter addressing the position specifics, a Curriculum Vitae, and at least two referees, should be sent to ross@gatewaypresbyterian.org.au

WHO WE ARE

At Gateway Presbyterian, we long to introduce people from all walks and stages to Jesus, the Gateway to life.

Gateway Presbyterian is a vibrant and growing evangelical church in Port Stephens. In God's kindness, we have seen considerable growth over the last six years. We currently have around 300 people on our church roll who consider Gateway their church home. Over 200 adults, youth, and children attend our Sunday ministries each week, with services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Gateway is led by our Senior Pastor, Rev. Ross Pethybridge, and six Elders. We also have a part-time children's worker (three days a week) and a Youth Pastor (currently one day a week). Additionally, we receive valuable administrative support from a semi-retired couple who volunteer their time.

We are currently focusing on several strategic challenges and projects to strengthen our foundation for growth. This includes implementing a 'teams model' of service at Gateway, appointing more Elders, and completing a building project (a manse for our minister to live in).

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Mission/ Connect Ministry

As part of this role, you will work with volunteers and team leaders, and you will be responsible for the vision, leadership, and execution of the Connect Portfolio. This includes two main aspects: keeping the church's mission in focus and reaching out to the community to help new people find Jesus and feel at home at Gateway. The second aspect involves assisting those who get connected to Gateway integrate into the church's life.

Specifically, the role would include:

Missions/Connect Portfolio

1. Leads and energises the outreach ministries of the church, including the pre-evangelism ministries and the evangelism ministries (the places where people become Christians). That is, they will organise and run reaping courses like Alpha, Christianity Explained, or its equivalent.
2. Articulates and leads the church's missional priorities. They keep the Mission of Jesus on our radar by 'steering the ship'. This is about making sure the church's culture is always missional.
3. Recruit and establish teams to take the gospel to the world and build bridges into the community. They oversee the teams that already exist, such as Mainly Music, HSC Study Days, and Christmas Carols, and they recruit and establish new ministry teams around any new bridge we build into the community, such as outdoor movie nights, etc.
4. Identify, train and resource gifted evangelists within our church community
5. Oversees the welcoming and integration of newcomers to the church. This will include overseeing all the ministries we run, to help people integrate into the life of the church – for example Sunday welcoming ministry; welcome packs; newcomers lunches, and the Belonging course.

Youth Ministry Portfolio

1. Working collaboratively with our Youth ministry teams, the Youth Pastor will have responsibility for the vision, leadership, and execution of Youth Ministry at Gateway.
2. Oversight of the Friday night youth program, the Sunday morning year 6-9 Link program, and the recruiting, coaching and discipleship of key leaders in this vital ministry area.
3. Work with other church leaders to integrate youth into the life of the church, including opportunities for youth to serve others in the life of the church.