

Chowdene Community Church Gateshead has a compelling vision to be a 'local church with a global reach'. At the heart of our vision is equipping, nurturing, supporting and discipling those who are part of our church family and championing the next generation. At Chowdene we're aspiring to make a difference in the lives of children, young people and their families, both within the church and also in the local community. We already have an established ministry and we're now looking for a dynamic person who can take this on to the next level.

Children & Families Pastor – Closing Date for Applications 5pm 30th October 2017

Reports to:	Head & Church Development & Senior Leadership Team		
Role Type:	Permanent (Subject to 6 month trial & review)	Hours of Work & Salary:	Circa £25k pro rata, depending on experience Part time/Full time - Min15 hours pw flexible, plus holidays & pension
Role Purpose:	Working alongside the church leadership and teams of volunteers, responsible for the development and growth of our family ministry in church and in community, developing a culture of discipleship and multigenerational church as well as serving and equipping parents.		
Responsibilities:	Person Specification:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play a key role supporting the church leadership team and contribute to the overall development of church strategy and vision in the area of family development. • To facilitate a support system for adult family members of the church, fostering excellent communication with the parents and carers of children and young people • Co-ordinate the opportunities for growth, support and faith development of children and young people as they grow up within the church family • Create and develop opportunities to build and deepen relationships within and outside of the church in local schools & community based family projects. • Assist in the planning and support of our children's activities on Sundays, adhering to all safeguarding guidance whilst promoting the highest quality of provision. Where appropriate, to participate in All-Age worship and seasonal events. <p>Continually promote a family atmosphere at church and a sense of belonging</p>	<p>You will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An experienced and dynamic leader with a deep commitment to Biblical truth & a mature Christian faith. • Able to form good relationships with people of all ages, with a passion for discipleship. • Highly relational, and have a passion for discipleship • A confident manager and team builder who can lead and develop an energetic & passionate team of volunteers • Highly motivated, with the ability to cast vision and cultivate meaningful relationships with people, meeting each in their spiritual journey <p>You will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A strong personal Christian faith • Strong organisational skills and communication skills • Ability to inspire others with a compelling vision • A passion for children and their families • Superb interpersonal and leadership skills, • Experience and passion for working with children <p>• it is expected that the person appointed would become a Church Member and, in addition to their employment, contribute to the work and witness of the church, taking a full and active part in the life of Chowdene Church</p>		