

# **Ministry Focus Description**

#### **Primary Responsibility:**

'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Matthew 22:37-39

## **Ministry Summary:**

The Student Ministry Associate assists the Student Ministry Pastor in equipping leaders to journey with students as they move towards having a personally owned and active faith.

Staff members at Emmanuel EFC are expected to affirm the Evangelical Free Church of Canada's (EFCC) Statement of Faith and statement on Gender and Sexuality. It is expected that all staff members make every attempt to be involved in the life of the church, attending church services and church events.

## **Job Responsibilities:**

- Oversee the communication to parents and students.
- Work with the Volunteer Coordinator to ensure that the Student Ministry department is complying with our Plan to Protect Policy requirements.
- Assist the Student Ministry Pastor to create environments where students can grow in knowledge and love of God, their faith, the church, and experience Jesus. This includes weekly gatherings, retreats, and mission trips.
- Make space for others to lead and equip, and shepherd them to succeed.
  Training leaders to lead their small groups and give opportunities for them to speak, lead activities, help plan, etc. Initiating meetings and equipping sessions for leaders.
- Assist in recruiting leaders based on gifts, skills, and calling.

- Provides support in "Growing Young" through church wide initiatives, equipping, and teaching.
- Provide support in teaching and facilitating Bible lessons for students.
- Provide pastoral and crisis care for students and their families, and leaders.
- Continued education through classes, seminars, and gleaning wisdom from others in the field of youth ministry.
- Attend both our youth nights on Monday evenings and Wednesday evenings.
- Attendance at special events such as retreats, missions trips, etc.

## **Preferred Qualifications:**

- Team player, able to work well with others.
- Teachable and able to receive feedback and equipping.
- Administrative gifts are an asset.
- Able to organize, schedule, and execute the weekly schedule as well as large events.
- Strong and creative communication skills, able to communicate in multiple mediums with a strong understanding of Scripture.
- Bible College Degree in related field.
- Experience in church youth ministry setting is an asset.