



Chaplain Vacancies – Greater Parramatta area

Young Life Australia has several chaplaincy positions available in the greater Parramatta area offering one and two days per week in both primary and high school. The school chaplain role is part of the Federal Government's National School Chaplaincy programme initiative.

Young Life Australia is a non-denominational Christian charity that mentors and offers stable, caring role models to young people, operating in a number of urban and rural communities around Australia.

Our focus is to build confidence, values and resilience in Australia's young people through significant relationships with adult role models. Young Life aims to be a leading organisation for positively impacting children and youth, with a resultant positive transformation to the wider community.

Young Life seeks motivated chaplains who will have a holistic approach to working with young people in the school setting. The positions would include offering support and guidance about ethics, values, and relationships to students and their families, teachers and staff. The chaplain would be supported by the Young Life staff and local volunteers.

The chaplain would be expected to attend an annual training event and potentially integrate the role into other Young Life activities and camping programmes where appropriate.

To be successful in the role you will need to be suitably qualified and confident working with children and young people, have a mature outlook, and agree with the aims and working principles of Young Life and the school chaplaincy programme.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS

- Minimum Certificate IV in Youth Work or Pastoral Care or equivalent, including 'mental health' and 'making appropriate referrals' competencies.
- Experience in working with primary and or high school aged young people
- Sound spoken and written communication skills
- High organisational and time management proficiencies
- Ability to work both independently and in a team environment
- Ability to lead a team of volunteers and delegate responsibility
- Capacity to run and co-ordinate events
- Current unrestricted driver licence

HIGHLY DESIRABLE

- Additional training and/or experience in children's work, counselling, teaching, or theology (Diploma or higher)
- Experience in dealing with or counselling at-risk/disadvantaged young people
- Experience in conflict resolution
- Experience running children's programmes and activities

- Background in youth/children's ministry

Email a letter of application addressing the required/desired skills and attach a resume. Only Australian citizens and permanent residents will be considered. You must be over 18 and must obtain and maintain a Working With Children Check and a National Police background check.

Email your application to: operations@younglife.org.au with 'Greater Parramatta Chaplain' in the subject line. You can call Young Life on 02 9877 5144 for more information.

Please additionally provide character references from two people, with one being from your Pastor/Minister. Remuneration package will be discussed at interview.

Only short listed candidates will be contacted. An August start date is preferred.

Applications close 19th July 2019 at 5.00 pm.