

Discipleship & Leadership Year

“Only a disciple can make a disciple” – A.W. Tozer

Job Description

Job title:	Discipleship & Leadership Year (DLY)
Reporting to:	Chief Executive
Location:	London and travel
Normal working hours*:	5 days per week (9:30am to 5:30pm)**
Term of employment:	One year (starting in September)
Salary:	£18,600 p.a.

*This includes a training day each week with HTB College

**The nature of the role requires flexibility as there is a need to work certain weekends and to stay away from home when on residential events. Time off in lieu is used as a way of adjusting for these 'extra hours'.

In a nutshell

The DLY is about growing disciples of Jesus and equipping future leaders, who will transform the world.

We believe in 'discipleship through doing' and that the best way to develop leaders is to empower and support people to take on new situations and responsibilities. The main way you will develop and grow is by serving as a member our Youth Team. This experiential learning is combined with high quality training that will set you up to lead well, whatever and wherever your future context is. As you serve, you will learn to lead.

Who is it for?

DLY is for those who want to grow as a disciple of Jesus and lead others to do the same through the exciting work of the Stewards' Trust.

Availability is the most important thing where God is involved so we look for potential, character, passion and commitment rather than qualifications and experience.

DLY is aimed at university graduates (or equivalent work experience), who are willing to serve for a year before starting their chosen career. It will equip you with transferrable skills whatever your future path. We know the demands of the role suit those who have a little more life experience after school but will consider all applicants aged 18 and above.



If you love Jesus and are up for a year of service and adventure, we would love to hear from you.

Role

Your day-to-day role will be as a member of the Stewards' Trust Youth Team. There is lots of variation but the core responsibilities relate to mentoring, events, and schools work.

Training and appraisals

In addition to our own training, we are excited to be partnering with Holy Trinity Brompton (HTB), OneLife and others.

The year starts with the OneLife school of Leadership at the end of August. You will be inspired and equipped in leadership skills so you can start well.

Every Monday (term-time only), you will attend HTB College for training as part of their youth work stream.

You will spend the day at HTB, learning from world-class teachers, and be trained in how to be an effective youth worker. The year is split into three terms, each with a different focus:

- The Bible
- Theology
- Mission

You will have monthly one-to-one meetings with the ST Chief Executive. These meetings will allow for open discussion of progress, challenges and problems and for both to agree their expectations of each other. You will also meet regularly with Head of Youth Events and Head of Youth Mentoring to discuss these parts of your role.

The Chief Executive will also undertake an end of year appraisal with you and a mid-year review.

Role context

The core purpose of ST is Christian discipleship, mentoring and leadership development. This is brought to life via a range of Christian Teaching Events ('events') for all ages.

In addition to our events, the role involves mentoring young people and working in schools to promote the Christian faith.

Events

Our events provide amazing opportunities for discipleship and to build relationships that lead to one-on-one mentoring. Events vary in length from a day to a week but all have biblical teaching, worship and prayer at the core. They also include a range of activities.

You will:

- Work with the ST team and our volunteers, who lead ST events.
- Contribute to leading and organising ST youth events. This will involve praying for events, promotion, team recruitment, venue liaison, speaking, leading small groups, pastoral care, administration, running activities etc.
- Lead and/or help to run groups for young people at ST family summer events. When leading this starts with gathering a team, then designing and delivering the programme of teaching and activities.
- Join mission weeks in schools. This involves questions on apologetics and can provide a great opportunity for evangelism.
- Contribute to our annual training event for the volunteer helpers and leaders engaged with ST youth work.
- Support event leader, when it comes to safeguarding on events.

Mentoring

- Build relationships of trust with young people met through ST.
- Meet regularly to offer support, encouragement and guidance young people in their faith. This will involve developing ongoing discipleship, looking at the bible and praying together.
- Pray for those you are mentoring on a regular basis.
- Write a regular bible based blog aimed at the young people within the ST.

Schools work

- Prepare and give Bible based talks in school assemblies, chapel services, CUs etc.
- Lead evangelistic mission weeks.
- Contribute to running courses in schools like Youth Alpha or confirmation classes.

Requirements & personal qualities

- There is a genuine occupational requirement that the candidate is a committed Christian.
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal.
- Proven organisational and administration skills.
- A positive personality and an ability to take initiative.

Working environment

You will be part of an encouraging and supportive team. We encourage a hard-working and motivated environment where we aim for excellence in everything we do. ST is an exciting place to work with plenty of variety. It works well for self-starters, people with initiative and a 'can-do' attitude. The broader community of the ST is welcoming, friendly, and seen by many as 'family'.

Salary and expenses

This is not an unpaid internship. We value the work you will be doing and feel it is right to provide a salary, as well as covering the full cost of your training. The proposed salary of £18,600 p.a. reflects the significant investment we are making in terms of your training and development and the fact that your work for the Stewards Trust will effectively be four days per week. You will also be able to claim full work-related expenses.

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