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Why Training?

One of the things I am grateful for is the training I received when I started out in youth ministry. Training helped me to do what I did more effectively and the more effective I was the more I found fulfilment in what I was doing. When we experience fulfilment in what we are doing we tend to keep doing it for longer.

My passion is to see youth leaders well trained and equipped to be effective in ministering to young people. For some that will mean the occasional training seminar whilst others will be looking for something that has a stronger theoretical base and is more in depth and systematic. That is why I wrote the Diploma in Youth Ministry training course.

Read through this prospectus and pray about undertaking this course of study. It will teach you Biblical principles and theoretical insights along with practical skills and insights into how to do effective youth ministry.

Murray Brown





Is this you?



"I'm an intern wanting to do some theologically based in depth studies that will teach me all the practical skills and insights needed for effective youth ministry."



"I'm a youth pastor with an intern who's theological studies I'd like to see supplemented with some youth ministry training that will better equip them to serve in the youth ministry."



"I'm a new youth pastor who would like to do some tertiary level youth ministry studies at a reasonable rate while I continue to serve in my church."



"I'm a volunteer youth leader who is considering paid youth ministry and would like to do some in depth youth ministry study to better prepare myself for what lies ahead."

If so then the Diploma in Youth Ministry could be ideal for you.



Overview

Have you got a passion for young people and want to understand them better? Are you a youth pastor or youth intern who wants to equip themselves for long term youth ministry with theologically sound insights and practical skills? Or are you a youth pastor with interns whom you want to see better equipped through specialist youth ministry study alongside any Biblical studies they might be doing?

YouthTRAIN offers a Diploma in Youth Ministry (non NZQA) that meets these needs. It consist of eight papers with the option to go on and do four more as part of an Advanced Diploma.

While there are deadlines to meet these are not too taxing allowing you to continue on with your other commitments — study, work, church, sport etc.

You can do just one paper or all eight. If you decide to do more than one paper, they can be completed in any order and at any time.

Each paper consists of a manual of 160-180 pages, and includes weekly tasks and a final assignment. All work will be marked in a way that will provide beneficial comments and advice as you enhance your leadership skills.





Curriculum



1. Characteristics of Christian Leadership

Christian leadership of young people can be tough at times, but hugely rewarding. This paper looks at what being a Christian leader is all about, including the characteristics of a leader, the call to leadership as well as the motivation for leadership, and the requirements, responsibilities, skills, style and trials of an effective youth leader.



2. Management and Ministry

Management can become a real pitfall to a ministry if not done well. This paper looks at the dynamics and requirements of management in youth ministry and covers time and financial management, marketing, planning, delegation, motivation, decision making, conflict resolution, change management and discipline.



Curriculum (continued)

3. Youth Ministry Design

What is at the heart of a youth ministry? Why do we do what we do? This paper answers these questions and more. Learn about the elements of a Biblical and appropriate youth ministry design including philosophy, purpose, models of ministry, integration with the wider church and implementation.



4. Youth Ministry Programming

Ever wanted to tap into a whole range of proven ideas to help you develop your youth programme? Here's your chance! In this paper, you will learn some of the principles and practices of nine youth ministry programme elements including Bible study, prayer, worship, camping, evangelism, mission, & recreation.





Curriculum (continued)



5. Adolescence

Adolescence is full of ups and downs, In this paper you will reflect on your own experiences as you learn the developmental characteristics and tasks of adolescence in areas including the emotional, social and spiritual. Understand the impact of factors affecting behaviour such as personality, environment and the family.



6. Pastoral Care of Adolescence

There are many ways we can be there for the young people we lead. Learn various principles and practices of pastoral care to adolescents including personal qualities, listening skills, building helping relationships, common pastoral care issues, handling crises, confidentiality and referral.



Curriculum (continued)

7. Youth Culture

Explore the world of youth culture and all the various worldviews impacting young people today. Look at the cultural characteristics and trends including historical trends, environment, worldview, behaviour, implications and responses. Reflect on how your youth ministry can best reach young people immersed in youth culture.



8. Communication

Communication is central to so much of what we do in youth ministry. In this paper you will learn principles and practices for effective communication through preaching, training and small group leadership. You will gain an understanding into teaching, learning, preparation, presentation, group dynamics and learning styles.





What next?

Enrolment

To enrol, detach and complete the form in the back of this prospectus, and mail it to me at the address indicated. Alternatively you can simply send all the details requested on the form in an email to murray@youthtrain.com.

It's as simple as that! You're enrolled!

Payment

Cost is just NZ100 per paper or NZ\$600 of you enrol in all eight at once—that's a savings of NZ\$200! You can either:

- Mail a cheque with your enrolment
- pay by internet banking
- pay online by credit card
- request an invoice be sent to you or your church.





Getting started

Once payment and your enrolment is received we will send you a manual to coincide with whatever start date you nominate. From that point you will have 12 weeks to complete your study. Read through the manual a section at a time and complete the exercises

Each manual has ten sections and includes:

- Material to read through and learn from.
- Self reflection exercises.
- A brief end of session exercise to help you apply what you have been learning

When you have finished all ten sections in your workbook, there is a 2000 word assignment to complete before the 12 weeks are up. When you have finished it email it back to me and I will mark it.

When you complete all eight papers I will send your Diploma in Youth Ministry to your church for it to be presented to you in whatever manner they deem best.





Advanced Diploma



1. Advanced Pastoral Care I

Know and understand the dynamics and symptoms of common physiological and emotional adolescent problems and develop pastoral care strategies.

2. Advanced Pastoral Care II

Know and understand the dynamics and symptoms of common social and spiritual adolescent problems and develop pastoral care strategies.

3. Youth Ministry Philosophy

Learn to think theologically about youth ministry and develop these thoughts into a coherent and Biblical youth ministry philosophy.



4. Youth Ministry Practice



Research one area of youth ministry practice and develop recommendations.





Enrolment form

Name: _ Address: _ _			
Phone No: _ Email: _			
Please add me Church: _	e to the Youth TRAIN database to	receive regular mail outs	
I would like to	enrol in the following paper(s):		
☐ You ☐ Ado	 □ Principles of Christian Leadership □ Youth Ministry Designing □ Adolescence □ Youth Culture □ Management and Ministry □ Youth Ministry Programming □ Pastoral Care of Adolescence □ Communication 		
For students o	outside New Zealand:		
Email course material at no extra costSend printed material and charge shipping costs (see over)			



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Or email all the details requested to: murray@youthtrain.com

Enrolment form (continued)

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2.	If paying by invoice please supply the following details: Name:
3.	If paying by internet banking deposit funds to: 03 0854 0697710 000
4.	If paying by cheque, send payment along with this enrolment form.
We i	vill confirm vour enrolment by email once information and payment are received