

## What do I do now...?

In with this booklet you will find a leaders application form. Please fill this in and return it as soon as possible

### Money...

The cost of Contagious for leaders is £230. This includes a £20 contribution towards the cost of training events.

We realise this is a lot of money, but would encourage you to see this as part of your annual giving to God's work. If you are unable to afford this much then we suggest you speak to your church leaders about the church contributing to the cost. If that is not possible, then please contact Jon Drane as we do have some money available to subsidise those who can't afford the whole amount.

If you have any further questions then here are some useful numbers.

For Leader application issues – Jen Stewart 020 8964 5800

For all other details – Jon Drane 020 8270 2536

Contagious is organised by a Core Team of leaders.

# CONTAGIOUS

## Leaders Info

It is fantastic that you are considering coming to Contagious as a leader next Summer. Here is some information that will give you a taste of what it means to be a leader on Contagious.



### The Vision

At the heart of Contagious lies a vision of God centred, Bible saturated youth work.

We are convinced that as young people come face to face with Jesus in the Bible, the impact in their lives is huge.

Therefore we make no apologies for the fact that Contagious is hard work. We have high expectations of the teenagers who come. This is reflected in the amount of time we give to Bible teaching each day!

In our experience, young people are well able to cope with mind stretching Bible study. In fact, it is in this environment a real hunger for God is nurtured.

## A typical Day...

After breakfast we have **SUS groups** (Scripture Under Scrutiny)

- These are single sex and led by two leaders. We try to match up experienced leaders with those coming for the first time. This group will be the focus of your responsibility for the week.

The morning is made up of **seminars**

- This is where the young people do lots of work for themselves. The seminars are led from the front, but lots of work round tables examining what the Bible says about the theme of the week.

The afternoons are full of **activities**

- A chance to unwind! All sorts of things from water games to craft to music sessions. There will be time for you to have some space – but we would encourage leaders to help out and be involved as much as possible. Great for relationships!

In the evening we have the **BIG teach**

- An evening meeting that includes singing, book reviews, testimonies and the Big Teach (a 30-40 minute talk). This is the time when lots of the information discovered through the day will be applied and worked through into our lives.

After the Big Teach we then have **evening activities**

- Various activities such as dancing, a jazz cafe, battle of the bands and more....

## Leaders Responsibilities...

### Before the week

Training – we take leadership training very seriously. Therefore we have a training weekend and a training day. These are compulsory for everyone wanting to be a leader. Please put them in the diary now.

### Training Weekend

For East, West & Nano      21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> May 2010

### Training Day

For East & West              6<sup>th</sup> March 2010  
For Nano                         19th June 2010

These days provide a chance for us to get to know one another, to pray together and to study the material as a team. Our aim is that by the training weekend we will have paired leaders up for leading the small groups. This means you will know who you are working with.

### On the Week

Your main focus will be your SUS group. You may be asked to lead one or two of the small group studies. If you would rather not then that is fine.

There may be other things you will be asked to do – but generally being involved and getting to know the young people. Contagious runs smoothly when the leadership team are all alert and looking out for the teenagers.

### Task Force

Is a training scheme for young people who have come through Contagious. They help out in lots of practical ways during the week and have their own leadership ship training sessions.