



Associate position

Come and spend one or two years growing in the love of Jesus as we open the bible together

Grace Church is a new plant in the centre of Greenwich, with lots of exciting opportunities for building brothers and sisters in the faith. We seek to be a community where God's grace is received and lived out – chiefly under expository preaching of the Word on Sundays and its study in mid-week Grace Groups. Our two pastors, Andrew Latimer and Andrew Sach, share the preaching and care for the church family, and train the associates in ministry.

What would I do?

There are many great opportunities for associates, such as:

- excellent teaching at Cornhill (run by Proclamation Trust);
- mentoring by Andrew Latimer and Andrew Sach. As we are a small church, there's an unusual amount of direct contact time with them, with regular opportunities to talk through all aspects of church life;
- co-leading a small group each week, with regular feedback on how you lead studies;
- pastoral care for the people within your small group, in the various issues they face;
- being a member of a leaders group (SLOBS), which will stretch your understanding of the bible;
- the opportunity to lead several 1-to-1s with people within the church, and perhaps also with students from local CUs or interested unbelievers;
- coming to our monthly evangelistic "Big Questions" events in a local pub;
- the chance to be involved with lots of other areas of church life – crèche, Sunday School, and youth group (we join in partnership with St Helen's Bishopsgate for this);
- the responsibility for organising our student weekend away;
- joining two weekends away for the whole church with excellent speakers (next year Christopher Ash is coming for the first one, for example);
- being part of a wonderful church family of all ages, who will seek to take good care of you even as you care for them.



What about money?

Our associates are voluntary trainees rather than employees, but the church family is keen to be generous in supporting financially, so you could expect a grant to help towards living costs and Cornhill fees. To fund the rest, we would encourage you to raise your own support from gospel-minded friends. It can be awkward to ask for money, but actually it gives others an opportunity for real gospel partnership (see Philippians 4:10-20), and it's a good thing in particular for Christians starting to earn to learn to give. Exactly how much you raise would be flexible, and partly depends on accommodation, (about which we can give advice). But to give a rough idea, our current associate raises around £700 a month herself, and receives £730 a month from the church (although her Cornhill fees are larger than future associates' would be, due to changes to the course).



What is it really like to be an associate? Our associate, Julia, writes: *I'm not bluffing – but I genuinely couldn't be happier here! The leaders and whole church family really care for each other, and the teaching is second to none. Cornhill is really useful to sharpen my understanding of scripture and how to explain it, and it's been a tremendous experience to work*

under the Andrews – usually at ministry meeting one or two things they explain blows my mind! And it's also so wonderful to see people come to faith and others grow in love for the Lord Jesus. A real privilege to be here - would love to hear from you and answer any questions!

Do come and visit us one Sunday!

Our service is at 4pm, with Cutty Sark DLR station just a four-minute walk away.

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