



**ST. ANDREW** THE GREAT

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## **Female Students' Pastor (starting September 2019)**

Over many years now the aim of our ministry among students at St Andrew the Great has been to send out godly, mature Christians who will serve our Saviour, His gospel and His people in various settings across the UK and around the world. Our vision is "The Gospel for Cambridge, Gospel Workers for the World."

God has given us an amazing opportunity to be working in the heart of Cambridge with large numbers of undergraduate students. We dream of them becoming useful workers (of various kinds - whether "full time" or not) in His harvest field. But for this to happen, they need looking after and discipling.

The student staff team consists of the Students' Curate (Robbie Strachan), a Female Students' Pastor, and four student workers, covering, equally, male and female students. They are supported financially by the Jesus Lane Trust. There is also a 'student team' - members of the wider church family who volunteer to run small-group Bible studies and meet one-to-one with students.

We are looking for someone to work among our female students in the role of Female Students' Pastor. The ideal person would be a godly woman with some prior experience of ministry amongst students and some training in theology/teaching the Bible. As well as the general responsibilities of a female student worker outlined below, the role would involve working closely with the Students' Curate to oversee the student ministry as a whole, whilst taking a particular responsibility to co-ordinate ministry amongst female students. This includes managing two full-time female student workers, with responsibility for their training and development, as well as training/equipping female student team.

That said, we are looking for best fit, and the exact shape of the job would depend upon experience. Jobs tend to evolve over time to suit and stretch each staff member. We encourage everyone to continue their own personal development and training through reading and directed study. We place a strong emphasis on being a happy and united staff team who can all learn from each other.

### The responsibilities of a female student worker

- Leading small group Bible studies and courses, training Bible study group leaders, teaching and co-teaching seminars and 'student lunch', teaching female students, question and answer panel discussions, leading reading weeks, and taking other opportunities as time allows.
- Meeting up individually with students and with the volunteer student team, to read the Bible one-to-one, and to support and disciple them. Specific pastoral

responsibility for about eighty students and a team of about eight student team. Overall pastoral responsibility for the female student ministry as a whole.

- Supporting students in their evangelism, meeting their friends and encouraging evangelistic initiatives, being linked with a college Christian Union group etc.
- Specific responsibility for some practical aspects of the student work of St Andrew the Great. For instance, co-ordinating the annual student getaways, organising the Student Team training days, and overseeing the production of publicity, etc.
- Some wider church responsibilities such as taking part in the leading of services, evangelistic courses, and other Bible teaching to women.

We are looking for someone...

- Who is godly in life (Titus 1:7-8), able to set an example to others.
- Who is sound in Christian faith (Titus 1:9).
- Who shares the ethos of StAG, including that preaching and teaching from the Bible is the principal means of evangelism and discipleship that God has given us.
- Who shares the mission of StAG, and is excited about our vision to see people far and wide served and helped by those who are currently undergraduate students.
- Who has some relevant training or experience in teaching the Scriptures; who has excellent Bible knowledge and understanding, and the ability to handle God's Word responsibly and communicate it to a variety of people, Christian and non-Christian.
- Who is a current member, in good standing, of a Bible-teaching church.
- Who is a people person, glad to work in a team, eager to learn and well able to get on with all sorts of people.
- Who has relatively recent experience of student life and / or ministry to students.
- Who is willing to suffer for the gospel (2 Timothy 1:8).

## Nitty-gritty

Salaries and package are set according to prior training and experience. Accommodation is provided. You would be need to be willing to work up to 48 hours per week, and would have one complete day off each week, and 6 weeks' holiday per year. You would also be encouraged to go on one venture/camp and one conference for your personal benefit and on-going training, for which all expenses would be paid (this does not count as holiday). The post is subject to enhanced DBS disclosure.

## Summary

StAG is a great church to serve and learn in, and we are praying for, and seeking, a godly and gifted colleague who will come to join us here in the work of the Lord Jesus. It is our prayer that your time here will be of great benefit to you, too, and that you will look back on it with pleasure and thankfulness.

## Process

At this stage we welcome both informal enquiries and actual applications. To apply, please send a CV, a statement of your theological position and aims in ministry, and the details of 3 referees to [church.office@stag.org](mailto:church.office@stag.org). Deadline for applications: 12 December 2018. Interviews will be held January 2019, and will include a basic Bible Knowledge Test. Informal enquiries or applications are most welcome before that.