

COACHES YOUNG LIONS APPLICATION FORM

Please note that to coach at Young Lions, you must either be a Young Lions graduate and/or a Youth Pastor/Senior Youth Leader in a Church. Each application form must arrive with the recommendation of your Senior Leader with the full reference & consent sections completed. Without these, your application will be rejected. If you have any questions, please email young.lions@aog.org.uk

APPLICANT'S PERSONAL INFO

Full Name: _____ Gender: Male/Female

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Phone Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email: _____

EMERGENCY INFO

Medical conditions or dietary requirements: (Please continue on the other side if required)

Emergency Contact Name(s): _____

Relationship to you: _____

Mobile Number: _____ Alternative Number: _____

Name of Doctor: _____ Phone Number of Doctor: _____

Address of Doctor: _____

Postcode: _____

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CHARGED OR CONVICTED OF A CRIMINAL OFFENCE?

YES (if yes please provide details on a separate piece of paper)

NO

I confirm that the information that I have provided is correct

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

DBS NUMBER _____

I understand that photos and videos will be taken at Young Lions, and agree to them being included in any promotional material during or after the event.

I am happy to be contacted regarding Young Lions by email

MINISTRY EXPERIENCE

Church Name: _____ Youth Ministry Name: _____

Previous Young Lions Experience: _____

Youth Ministry Experience/Qualifications: _____

SENIOR LEADER REFERENCE

Name: _____ Contact No: _____

Any Comment about the above Applicant: _____

Signature of Senior Leader: _____ Date: _____

BOOKING CONDITIONS

Young Lions accept bookings subject to the following conditions:

1. Full Payment is required with or prior to reception of the completed application form.
2. Cancellation of booking must be in writing, and when any such cancellation is received a 10% charge of the overall registration fee will be retained. You are entitled to a 90% refund until the 4th January 2020. After this date, full payment is required.
3. If your application for Young Lions is refused for any reason and you have already paid your registrations fee, you will be reimbursed in full minus any booking fee incurred.
4. If your full payment is not received by the due date, Young Lions reserves the right to offer your place to another applicant.
5. Young Lions and Assemblies of God shall not be liable for a personal injury, damage or loss consequential loss, to any applicant however caused.
6. Young Lions and Assemblies of God shall not be liable for any loss or damage to personal possessions.
7. The Young Lions leadership team reserves the right to send home (after consultation with church leadership of that person) any person whose behaviour is unruly, with no refund.

PLEASE SCAN AND EMAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

young.lions@aog.org.uk

T : 01777 817663

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COACHING AT YOUNG LIONS

COACHES EXPECTATIONS

Coaching delegates at Young Lions is as much a test for the coach as it is for the delegates. It requires strategic thinking, keen observation and judgement, reserves of energy and brutal honesty.

Your primary role is that of an observer, assessor and mentor. This means taking responsibility for a small group of delegates and their development throughout the course of the weekend. This is made easy by the strategically planned intense programme which is full of opportunities to see the young leaders in different situations. Bring something to take notes on that you'll have with you all weekend - this will become your most precious tool as a coach through the weekend as you record their interactions and achievements. You'll thank us for this when you get to the reports on Sunday afternoon!

The weekend sessions are made up of:

COACHING GROUP SESSIONS

We create space at least twice a day for you to give feedback and practical coaching in an intimate small group session. It's difficult to thoroughly prepare for these sessions as everything may change once you meet the delegates "in the flesh" but it's a good idea to have some things ready to share; leadership principles, lessons from your own life and wisdom from your own experiences.

How do your group interact with each other? Do some dominate and others hide? How's their listening skills?

Maybe ask them to prepare something to share with the group, or lead some prayer time. Are they prepared for this? Did they bring something fresh or repeat something they did a talk on five years ago?

Think about the sessions you've had since last coaching group - what are the principles and learning points that can be applied. Use both positive and negative experiences to learn.

Were they punctual? Do they respond well to your authority?

YEAR GROUP SESSIONS

Alongside coaching groups there are year group sessions where the whole year group get together for training/input. You will be along side them in these sessions observing and noting your observations down for later coaching sessions.

Are they attentive? Responsive? Engaging? Do they take notes?

How do they hold up throughout the weekend as they get more and more tired? Punctual?

OUTDOOR SESSION

The outdoor session is always a great way of seeing how the leaders cope under pressure. You won't be expected to "join in" but standing out there, rain or shine can get cold! The positive peer pressure and leadership focused tasks make the session invaluable for coaches to see the "true colours" of each delegate.

How did they respond to the session leaders? How team minded were your group?

Did they look to support each other or become more selfish as the session went on?

Who emerged as the natural leaders? Punctual?

ENCOUNTER SESSIONS

Throughout the weekend there are several sessions with all delegates and coaches together where we work hard to create an atmosphere of breakthrough and Holy Spirit power. This involves powerful praise and worship, great preaching and teaching and opportunities for response and prayer. Here you can get a feel of how the delegates might operate as spiritual leaders and their sensitivity to the Holy Spirit in the presence of God.

Are they worshipers? Did they engage with the whole program?

Who experienced a new breakthrough or clarity? Again... Still punctual?

MEAL TIMES

All meals are provided for and are compulsory for all delegates. Mealtimes are great opportunity for you to sit with your group and see how they interact with others in an ordinary everyday situation. This sometimes shows their ability to be inclusive of others and also their willingness to serve.

Did someone find a table for your group to sit at?

Are they serving themselves or each other?

Clearing plates, rubbish etc. Oh, and were they punctual?

OTHER INFO

The weekend starts with a coaches briefing on the Friday evening where you will be given more detailed information about the programme and also meet your head of year who has personal experience of coaching at Young Lions and will be your point person for the weekend should you have any questions or need information.

We have a coaches lounge on site that you can visit at any time and is full of food and treats, hot and cold drinks and comfy chairs to grab 5 minutes rest. As the weekend is so intense you may only find yourselves in there for a few minutes at a time but it's often an opportunity to meet with the rest of the coaching team which is made up of some of the best Youth Pastors and leaders from all over the UK.

Before you leave you'll complete a personalised report for each of your delegates. This is what every Young Lion looks forward to with fear and anticipation! This report will help capture your thoughts and notes in a way the delegate and their leader can sit down and talk through, applying it on the ground where they serve week in week out. Please bring a laptop/iPad as these can be completed online.

This is not a 'big stage' conference weekend. The strength of Young Lions is found in the individual attention given to every young leader who has committed themselves to this journey of leadership. We believe, as a coach, you can unlock new levels of growth through encouragement, challenge and importation and we thank you for helping make Young Lions as effective as it is.