

The Ridge_Roles

Role: Praise Band Vocalist

Reports to/Direct Report: Worship Pastor

Purpose:

The Praise Band Vocalist's goal on the worship team is to provide skillful, excellent, Spirit-led musical support to our corporate time of worship through song, enhancing and enriching the congregation's ability to engage their mind, heart, and body in the worship of the LORD.

Responsibilities:

- Praise Band Vocalists must have personal practice to learn their music before the weekly corporate rehearsal. (Approximately 2 hours depending on ability)
- Weekly corporate rehearsal is usually on Wednesdays at 7pm and lasts for about an hour. Weekly rehearsal is to get us all together, iron out any issues, and answer questions about the presentation of the songs.
- Praise Band Vocalists are also required to attend the Pre-Service sound check. It is a final check on microphones, monitors and the board mix before the event or service.
- Before all rehearsals, sound checks, and services voices should be warmed up and vocalists should be ready to go at start time.
- The Worship Pastor or Assistant will do their best each week to come up with a recording of all the songs to match the written arrangement, but that isn't always possible. Therefore, always depend on the written arrangement of the song for the appropriate arrangement and the Worship Pastor for the final word

Weekly Time Commitment

At home prep throughout the week: (Minimum 2 hours)

Wednesday weekly rehearsal: 7-8pm (1 hour)

Sunday services 9am-11:30pm (2.5 hours)(May leave after music set in final service)

Total: 5.5 hours per week minimum

Required Competency and/or Training

1. Have a working knowledge of music theory and the ability to read music.
2. Have a musical ear that can replicate rhythm patterns or melody lines and recognize when and if their voice is out of tune or rhythm.
3. Be able to Identify musical strengths and weaknesses and be willing to have continued growth
4. Video Course "Liturgical Theology for Worship" Worship Ministry School
5. Video Course "Music Theory for Worship Leaders" - (WMS)

Expectations

- Praise Team Vocalists are to be team players and follow the instructions of the Worship Pastor/Assistant with respect for their position, and without argument.
- Praise Team Vocalists show up looking professional, not in sweatpants (should be clean/represent the church well with a non-distracting appearance)
- Praise Team Vocalists should have their voices warmed-up and be ready before rehearsals and sound checks
- Praise Team Vocalists are expected to attend worship team gatherings for training, encouragement, and fellowship.

Review Period/Feedback

This position is reviewable every 6 months.

In the review we will:

- Discuss development in the current role
- Discuss transition if needed
- Address any big picture issues with the role
- Make a plan for the next 6 months

Leadership Development Pipeline

As our church strives to develop leaders who continue to grow in their skill and craft, we want to outline the next steps if this volunteer desires to own more portions of leadership as a Praise Vocalist.

- Phase 1 - Volunteer Praise Vocal Member

- Someone who is scheduled at least once a month to prepare and sing for Sunday services

- Phase 2 - Team Leader

- Would be responsible for training additional volunteers
- Would be responsible for leading the worship team once a quarter with guidance from the Worship Pastor/Assistant.
- Invited by the Worship Pastor/Assistant
- Video Course “The Worship Leader Mindset” - Worship Ministry School
- Video Course “Speak Between Songs” - Worship Ministry School