



STAFF APPLICATION FORM
TEAM 2008

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The vision of Spark is that the church of Jesus Christ in Ballymena would together represent the characteristics of Jesus in their town:

*loving, compassionate, full of grace and mercy,
kind, humble, forgiving and passionate*

The plan is to gather scores of local Christians together in Ballymena to practically serve God and love others. We aim to do this in a variety of practical ways throughout the town, offering things such as free gardening, car washes, litter picks, youth drop ins, cafes, sports, music and late night events.



THE THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW...

Spark is a non-residential team so an ability to travel to Ballymena daily is essential. If you have any problems with this please don't hesitate to contact us and we will see if there is anything we can do to help you.

The closing date for applications is early because of the necessity to process POCVA checks on each applicant, and this could take up to a few weeks. So please make every effort to return your form before the deadline.

The cost will be £25 per person to be **included with the submission** of your application form. This money covers all the food for the week, as well as your Spark t-shirt. Cheques are made payable to 'Spark'.

Please check the website for more information or contact us if you have any further questions.

----- contact us -----

E: info@sparkballymena.com
W: www.sparkballymena.com
B: www.spark07.wordpress.com

CLOSING DATE:
FRIDAY
25th APRIL

APPLICATION FORM 2008

Please complete and return by **Friday 25th April**
pull out this 4 paged sectioned and return...

Title: _____

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Any previous surname: _____

Previous addresses in the past five years (if any): _____

Have you ever lived elsewhere in the UK or Republic of Ireland? Yes / No

if yes, please give details _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

National Insurance Number (necessary): _____

Church attended: _____

Occupation: _____

T-shirt size: S M L XL

referee one

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

referee two

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please ensure that you provide your referees with the Staff Reference Form and stress to them the absolute importance for a quick return. *At least one of these references should be your Minister / Pastor, and neither should be related to you.*

Please give details of previous experience of working with children and/or young people, including details of any training you have completed.

Please tell us of your experience of working in a team.

Please give a brief outline of your journey with God to date.

Were you involved in Spark 07? Yes / No

If yes, in what capacity and in what area? _____

declaration

If accepted on to the team of Spark are you prepared to under take training in, and adhere to the Spark Child Protection "Code of Good Practise" for adults involved in ministry with children and young people? Yes / No

Have you had any treatment for any illness during the past five years, which may have a bearing on your ability to work with children and young people? Yes / No

If yes, please provide details: _____

Have you ever been convicted/cautioned of a criminal offence, includes driving offences such as penalty points, or are you at present the subject of any investigation or criminal charges?

(because of the nature of the work for which you are applying, you are advised that under the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders (NI) Order 1978, as amended by the Rehabilitation of Offenders (Exceptions) (Amendment) Order (NI) 1987 you should declare all convictions including spent convictions): Yes / No

If yes, please state below the nature and date(s) of the offence(s): _____

NB: the disclosure of an offence may be no bar to your appointment.

Have you ever been held liable by a court for a civil wrong? (such as an order made against you by a matrimonial or family court)? Yes / No

If yes, please give details: _____

In signing this form you agree to undergo any check which may be required by Spark or under law, in respect of your suitability to do this work and understand that any appointment will be subject to those checks being made. I give my consent for a pre-employment check to be made in the knowledge that any spent convictions will be disclosed.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

The following areas are those which we hope to send out around Ballymena again this summer. Please indicate which of these you would like to serve on, in order of preference (i.e. 1, 2, 3)

Ballee

Doury Road

Fisherwick

Town Centre

Ballykeel

Dunclug

Harryville

Which position are you applying for?

Area Co-ordinator

Assistant Leader

Team Leader

Other _____

postage

Please post your form and your attached £25 to:

Spark Application Team
18 Ashfield
Broughshane
Co Antrim
BT42 4DJ



for admin purposes only:

Date received: _____ Ref no: _____

Area: _____

Appointment: Approved / Not Approved

Reason for Appointment: _____

Working Group signatures:

One: _____ Date: _____

Two: _____ Date: _____

"it's been pretty cool cause everyone has just been **so positive** in the way that people are recognising us and **accepting us** into the community."

- Elspeth, Team Member



"there was a man who just **couldn't believe** that young people were actually doing something good and something positive with their summer holidays and he said he has got his faith back in humanity, the fact there are people actually willing to do something good and **nice for other** people."

- Caroline, Assistant Leader

"it is strange to think that these kids **had never heard** of the stories of Noah and Jonah, and it really touched me how **God was completely new** to some of them."

- Sarah, Team Member



what was the thing you liked most about today? "hm, getting my hair braided, because **I've never** had it braided in my life before. "

- Emma-Leigh, aged 8



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