

St Simon Zelotes Ministry Trainee 2026-27

The purpose of the St Simon Zelotes Ministry Trainee scheme is to enable volunteers to either discern whether they have the character and gifts to consider full-time gospel ministry, or to equip them to serve a church community more broadly and deeply as a volunteer. The scheme is structured to develop trainees' skills, experience, gifts and character, whatever trainees go on to do. This diverse and enriching scheme involves the following three areas:

- 1) Training and development
- 2) Ministry opportunities and experience
- 3) Practical experience and service

Application deadline: we begin interviews in April and accept applications as they are submitted. **Contact our Associate Vicar to arrange an initial conversation or to request an application pack - joe.ammoun@ssz.org.uk**

Training & Development

- Attending the Cornhill Training Course 2 days a week - <https://www.proctrust.org.uk/cornhill>.
- Time for personal study and preparation
- 1-on-1 mentoring with the Associate Vicar or Women's Ministry Co-ordinator
- 1-on-1 supervision and a weekly in-house training meeting with the Associate Vicar
- Experience in an evangelical church with a more traditional style of worship and an intimate and welcoming parish church feel

Ministry opportunities & experience

Would include:

- Some leading of, or participation in, our Sunday Morning children's or youth ministry

Could include:

- Sharing leadership of our Free English outreach ministry
- Leading a Home Group
- Involvement in Men or Women's Ministry groups and initiatives
- 1-1 discipleship and evangelism and pastoral care
- Leadership of Christianity Explored, International Christianity Explored, or another evangelistic course

The exact mix and balance of these responsibilities will be tailored to the experiences, gifts and skills of the trainee and their development. The church is open to exploring potential Trainees' other ministry passions and interests, and whether they could be a part of the role.

Practical experience and service

- Working knowledge of audio-visual equipment
- Involvement in welcome ministry and/or music ministry
- Experience in creative and administrative skills
- Event planning and management
- Team leadership
- Talks, giving short Bible thoughts at our prayer meeting, seminar delivery, the opportunity to deliver training

Supporting information

This voluntary worker training role is for one year, starting on 1 September. If appropriate, the role could be extended to two years.

This role is subject to safer recruitment and appointments will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

The church will cover the cost of Ministry Trainees' Cornhill Fees.

The church can provide rent-free accommodation to Ministry Trainees to enable them to undertake this role.

The church will reimburse expenses incurred in performing the duties of a Ministry Trainee. This may include Transport.

We will advise Ministry Trainees as they seek to raise other funds.