

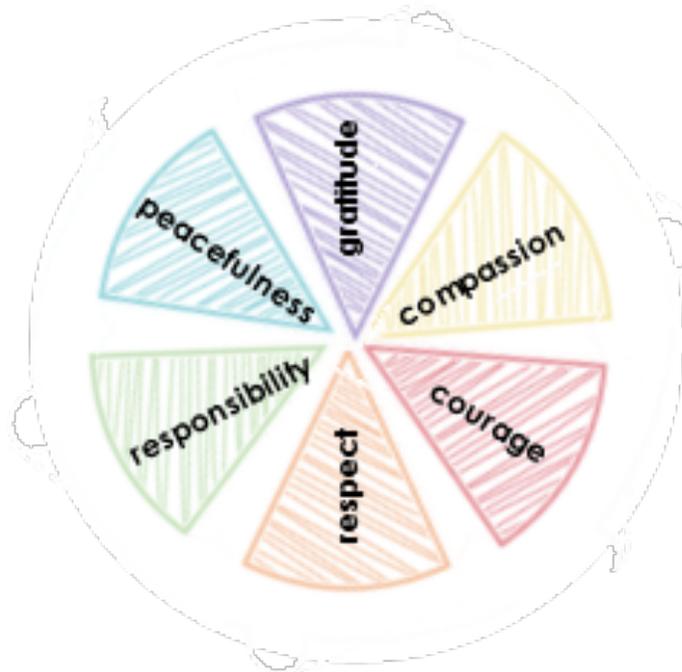


WAYfinding
Search for WAYkids' Director/Minister
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WAYkids Director/Minister – 7-Month Paid Contract

WAYfinding is a six-year old non-traditional faith community in Indianapolis. We are a diverse group of people – in age and background, sexual orientation and gender identity, race, theological and political beliefs. The majority of us were raised in a Christian tradition and now find ourselves searching... exploring, questioning, discerning what pieces and parts we want to hold on to, reimagine or let go of entirely. Some people believe in g/God, some don't, and some don't know. We meet in house groups of 7-10 people across Indianapolis for 8-10 week rounds on topics such as making meaning, justice, community, identity, sin, vocation, busyness, forgiveness and so much more. All conversations are question-based and encouraging of doubt, wonder and "the gray." We also try out a wide range of spiritual practices from a spectrum of traditions.

Two years ago we added a WAYkids' program for the large number of families with children. For the last two years, the kids (15-20) have met 6-8 times throughout the school year on a late Sunday afternoon. The first year was entirely parent-led; the second year we brought in teachers/speakers from various faith traditions. All gatherings are organized around one of our grounding values...



We are searching for a Director/Minister for this program to give it the attention it – and more importantly, our children – so deserve. We are looking for someone who can imaginatively engage children Pre-K through 5th Grade in the Christian stories, rituals and rhythms of the year without attaching doctrinal beliefs to them. Your lens would be that of values and creating opportunities for the children to learn about and experience these values – in divine awe, wonder and

curiosity – through the Christian stories and rituals, as a grounding tradition, but also open to other traditions and secular experiences.

This is a wonderful opportunity for an entrepreneurial and creative mind to shape and grow a program, in conversation with WAYfinding's Founder and Director/Minister, Anne Williamson. Anne has a strong vision for curating and/or creating resources for all families to engage in deeply meaningful as well as practical rituals and traditions at home. Thus, this job would also entail working with Anne to curate and create these resources, and thus a collaborative temperament is important. Anne imagines a weekly creative meeting. But, in general, we are looking for someone capable of working independently.

We'd love someone who can sing and play an instrument, or has connections to others who can. We'd love someone with some training in open, question-based curriculum (e.g. Godly Play). We'd love someone with exposure to and connections to other faith traditions. However, the most important thing is that you desire these things too, and will work to create them for the kids.

You'll be responsible for maintaining directory information on the WAYkids' children and families. You'll be responsible for collecting, depositing and tracking contributions. You'll be responsible for recruiting and organizing (largely parent) volunteers.

Finally, for the purpose of the program's financial sustainability, we are looking for someone who can work toward growing the program and/or creatively fundraising. Someone willing to hang flyers, engage on social media, speak at like-minded gatherings about WAYkids, etc.

TIMELINE: We would like to hire someone by early December 2018. The plan is for the children to meet twice a month, January – June, focusing on one value each month. The first meeting would focus on learning about the value, or an aspect of it, in creative, fun ways. The second meeting would focus on enacting the value in some way, living it out in the world. We anticipate still meeting on Sunday late afternoons in the SoBro area.

HOURS & PAY: The expectation is 8-10 hours per week – roughly December – June (30 weeks). The pay would be \$20-25 per hour depending on experience and fit. There is the potential for this to transition into a salary position – more part-time than quarter – in mid to late 2019.

APPLYING: If you're interested in exploring the position, email anne@wayfindinglife.org by Monday, November 12th with:

1. A description of yourself, style, theological approach, experience and why you're interested in us.
2. A short resume including a few references and their contact information