Welcome to the Lighthouse Worship Ministry!! We are always looking for people with a heart for serving God and His people in Lighthouse. But before you become part of the team, we need to make sure you understand the requirements and expectations of the ministry.

General Requirements

You are a born again Christian who has asked accepted Jesus as your Lord and Saviour.

You consider Lighthouse to be your home church, and are familiar and in agreement to Lighthouse's vision, values and overall music/worship style.

You are able to commit to the rehearsal and service schedules set by the worship ministry leaders. As a general rule, you should be available to serve twice a month.

You are a team player that will make an effort to get to know other team members and the congregation you are serving.

You have sufficient musical skills and to serve effectively. If you are not ready to play for Sunday morning worship service yet, you are most welcomed to come along to our Wednesday music life group to further develop your skills.

You must have phone messaging (txt), email address (that you check regularly) and access to the internet as these are the primary source of communication for the team. Preferably, you will have a Facebook account as we put a lot of useful information on our group page.

We are looking for individuals who will take their role on the team seriously and view it as an opportunity to serve the Lord and the local church using their God-given gifts. Maintaining a humble, teachable attitude is extremely important as the worship team is not a platform for showcasing individual talents, but rather a place to serve to the congregation.

Previous experience on a worship team or in a band can be helpful but is not required. While there are similar principles used in many live music situations, every band or team experience is different. Be prepared to learn new ways of doing things regardless of previous experience.

What to expect

Worship set on Sunday - Worship leaders should send out the song list for Sunday (via email) by Wednesday. Please take time to pray for the worship team and the Sunday Service, as well as learning/practising the songs before going to the rehearsal.

Rehearsal - The rehearsals for the Sunday worship are held on Saturday nights (6:30-9:00pm). Sound team should arrive and set up by 6:00pm. The team will spend time to pray and worship

together, as well as go through the songs and transitions. Remember, rehearsals are when we run-through what we have practiced on our own. It is not a time to hear songs for the first time or figure out a part for the first time. There should only be minor tweaks/corrections during this time.

Sunday morning - Service starts at 9am sharp. Team members are expected to arrive and ready to play/sing (ie. instruments tuned, vocals warmed up) by 8:30am. Team members are also expected to attend church whenever possible on weeks they are not scheduled in the worship band.

Scheduling for service - You will receive an email around the 20th of the month requesting your availability for the upcoming month. Please communicate for ALL the dates for which <u>you are available</u>. If you only communicate the dates you prefer to play/sing, it becomes difficult to put the schedule together. The upcoming monthly calendar is emailed to team members toward the end of the month

We ask that you do not swap your scheduled date with someone else unless it's absolutely necessary. Songs are often selected by worship leaders based on who is scheduled to play and sing, so making last-minute changes creates difficulties. But we do understand that unexpected things happen. If you need to swap, it is your responsibility to find someone to replace you, and you need to inform the worship leaders (pre and post swap) and Maylyn (who is in charge of scheduling) as soon as possible.

Dress Code - We are very casual when it comes to rehearsals. Of course, nothing that's too revealing, but it's fine to come wearing your jandals, shorts, singlets etc... However, we want to make sure we present ourselves properly on Sundays. We want the congregation to focus on worshipping God and that is sometimes difficult when someone on stage is dressed inappropriately or in a manner that draws attention to them. So, here's a few basic guidelines:

- No shorts, sleeveless shirts, excessively ripped/torn jeans, mini skirts or any tight or revealing clothing. Modesty is the key.
- Sports shoes are fine. But no jandals please.
- Make sure the graphics/words on your T Shirts are appropriate.

Trial Period - The trial period is the beginning of the process for those whose ability has been evaluated as having platform potential for Sunday Service. It is a time for potential members to get a feel for the team and vice versa in a live setting. Potential members will join the Saturday rehearsal sessions and quite likely also be asked to participate in the Sunday service on the following day. The trial period is about 1 month in length. After the trial period is finished, the person may or may not be invited to join the Worship team on an ongoing basis.