

## WORSHIP TEAM MINISTRY DESCRIPTION — SOUND TECH ~ DRAFT #2

### **How important is this ministry?**

Worship of God is the most important action within the life of a believer and, collectively, the church. Corporate worship occurs when believers gather together to focus their praise, prayers and hearts upon God. Without this ministry our church services would lack audio which enhances our singing, helps our musicians, engages our spirit, and helps us to learn from God's Word. You help raise the worship service quality and you provide a variety of options for creating engaging worship services. Your ministry is VERY important to our worship times! Through your ministry we are able to provide recorded services for those who cannot attend in person, audio for sermons/services online and provide enhanced sound for those who are attending.

### **A New Philosophy of Ministry**

In the past, when church held to more traditional services, the sound ministry only required that the congregation could hear the organ, piano, song leader (if there was one), and preacher. Today, the sound tech ministry is much more involved. We have a variety of musical instruments and numerous voices to balance, sound and video clips to play, worship services to stream and record. When you take part in this ministry, you should see yourself as an audio conductor for the worship service. The worship team relies on you to help them sound the best that they can and hear themselves while performing their ministry. The congregation relies on you so they can hear balanced music and the sermon preached. Excellent presentation is the key focus. If anyone wants to know how to make the soundboard work, you will be the pro to ask!

### **Ministry Requirements**

- \*\* Please arrive early -- Worship practice and sound check begins at 8AM on Sunday. You need to be ready to receive the musicians and vocalists with sound board turned on, cables cleared, mics required laid out and stage tidied.
- One needs to have an ear for balancing different sounds.
- Optimally, one needs to know how to run the soundboard, or a strong desire to learn.
- A passion for making our Sunday worship services run smoothly and sound the best that they can.
- Attending mid-week practice helps setting In Ear Monitors (IEMs) for the team and enables troubleshooting if something isn't working correctly.
- You will be required to fill out a Personnel Application Form which will include your experience, your abilities and a short testimony of how Christ is working in your life.
- You may have a meeting with the Worship & Creative Arts pastor to discuss your form and see how you may fit into the worship ministry at BAC.
- Attend training that will be offered from time to time.

### **What do I do?**

- You are responsible for keeping the stage area orderly with cables neatly rolled and tucked in for a clean presentation.
- You are responsible for plugging in microphones and instruments as needed. Make sure that you have a supply of 9volt and AA batteries(to be provided by the Worship

& Creative Arts pastor) and check the wireless mics and IEM packs to make sure their batteries are sufficient.

- You are responsible for helping the band adjust their IEM mix.
- You are responsible to work alongside of the ProPresenter team to insure the computer volume is adequately adjusted for the service.
- You are responsible for keeping the sound-booth clean and tidy.
- You are responsible for knowing where the microphones, cables, cable wraps, mic stands and other sound-tech items are kept so that you can do your job with confidence and excellence.
- You are responsible for keeping the sound storage room tidy.
- \*\* Please do not engage your cell phone while executing your ministry.
- Please Note: from time to time the platform is cleared for special functions and the sound team may be required to help with tear down before the event and set up after the event.

### **Time Requirements**

- We recognize many people serve in different areas and ask that in order to maintain your joy in service and not burn out, you allow yourselves to attend corporate worship without any ministry commitments. We were thinking at least one Sunday a month.
- You are responsible for attending worship team practice on Thursday evenings (7:30pm) and Sunday mornings (8am). Make sure you arrive **early** (Thursday please arrive a 7PM, Sunday arrive at 7:45AM) to help musicians plug in, check batteries and prepare/organize the stage for the practice (keep cables organized and put away equipment not needed). Do a sound check with the worship team.
- You are responsible for staying throughout the entire service to ensure the sound is done with excellence throughout.
- Extra services. There are times during the year where we have extra services that require sound personnel. These include but are not limited to Good Friday and Christmas Eve.
- Please Note: From time to time there may be opportunity for sound people to earn some extra cash if sound is required for weddings, funerals or other functions people may rent the facility and sound system.

Please Note: It is our full intention to bring in some sound experts so that we can train people to use our sound board to the full extent of its abilities. Also, we are fully intending to do upgrades to the sound board.

We keep praying for God to send us more people for this ministry. It is a very skilled placement and we can never have too many skilled sound technicians. Please pray to see if God is calling you to help us in this area of need and service. If you have any questions please feel free to contact either Michelle Jones-Sood or Pastor Joe Fenton.