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DISCIPLESHIP YEAR

PROSPECTUS
2025





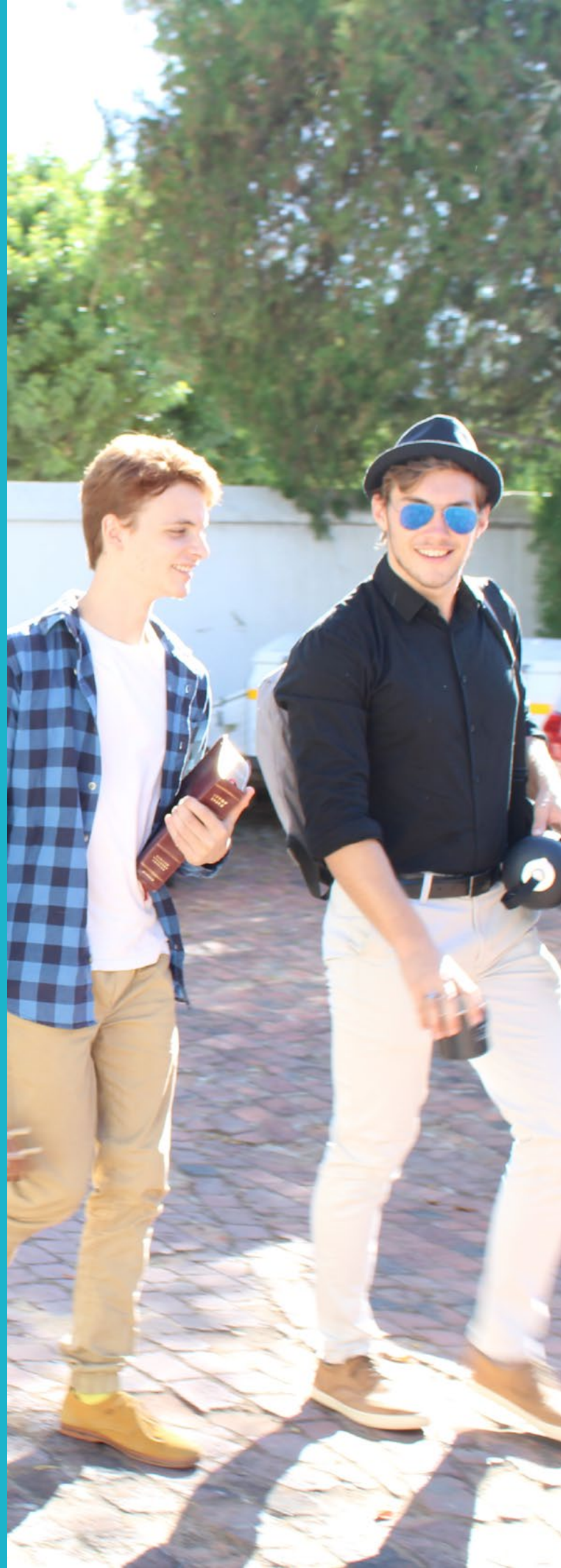
INTRODUCTION

Leap Discipleship Year is a one year discipleship program. It is a full-time discipleship program that equips students both spiritually and practically. Whether you feel called to church leadership or simply want to strengthen your relationship with God, Leap is the perfect place to grow and discover who God has made you to be. We also have a second and third year program called Lead (which students apply for at the end of their first year) which gives more extensive training in leadership, ministry and theology.

As a ministry of Joshua Generation Church ('JoshGen'), we firmly believe in being part of a church family. Because of this, our training takes place within the context of the local church, with a focus placed on both theoretical learning and practical application through direct experience.

Our Program Includes:

- Theology Classes
- Character and Practical Ministry Classes
- Gifting and Skill development
- Worship leading and music (optional)
- Leadership training
- Training through church (DNA, Value System, Community)
- Discipleship
- Practical Ministry (Outreach and Serving)
- Adventure
- Family Times
- Many once in a lifetime experiences



VALUES

Our values are the things that are truly valuable to us and are what we passionately aim to live out. They shape our thinking, influence our choices and define our lives. We want to value what God values and to move beyond mere words or superficial actions. The four C's sum up all that is valuable to us at Leap.

CHRIST- Knowing Jesus.

The great goal of our faith is to know Christ. Our focus is on a Person who we are to love and trust, rather than principles alone. Our aim in teaching the Bible and other cool information and truth is to always help us to get to know and obey God better.

CHARACTER- Becoming like Jesus.

Our aim is to see students shaped into becoming people of character- learning to become like Jesus. We desire to live our lives in a way that reflect the nature of Jesus, and bring Him glory. We are committed to seeing Christ and His life formed in our lives.

COMMUNITY- Loving Jesus with others.

God's design is for us to be part of a spiritual family where we live out the faith together. The students have an opportunity to become part of our JoshGen Wellington congregation and to be immersed in church life.

COMMISSION- Telling others about Jesus.

Reaching our neighbours and nations is our great task. Our desire is to see the world through a Christian worldview and to engage the world with compassion and the truth of the gospel.



STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament in their original writings.

We regard the Scriptures as being final as to authority and infallible as to truth, regarding all facets of church life and discipline.

We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons, namely Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We believe that Jesus Christ was begotten of the Father, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

We believe that God created man in His own image. Thereafter sin entered the first man through disobedience on man's part resulting in spiritual death for all mankind.

We believe that Jesus Christ had to die for the sins of mankind so that man could be reconciled back to God.

We believe in the bodily death, burial and resurrection of Christ.

We believe in His ascension into heaven and His future return to earth.

We believe in the initial reception of the Holy Spirit at conversion (Romans 8:9), His internal sealing work thereafter (Ephesians 1:13), followed by continual infillings of His presence from within us (Ephesians 5:18).

We believe in the resurrection of both the just and the unjust.

We believe in the regular practice of the breaking of bread and the taking of wine / grape juice to remind us of the new covenant established through Christ's death on our behalf.

We believe in the baptism of believers by immersion in water. We believe in the five-fold ministry gifts of Ephesians 4:11-12.

We believe in using these gifts in the life of the church and to affect the communities we minister in.

We believe in the equality of all persons irrespective of their race, culture or social background.

We believe that marriage is a creational ordinance ordained by God between a man and a woman and that any relationship of a sexual nature outside of marriage, or between people of the same sex is contrary to Scripture and therefore unacceptable to God and His Church.

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REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION

Leap offers a one-year training program in English and to this end, we require of all students to be able to understand and speak English to be considered for this training program. Students are also selected based on less measurable characteristics like spiritual and emotional maturity and character.

Leap also welcomes International students and will assist in the necessary letters and information needed. To be part of the Leap program, an international student will have to be able to communicate, read and write in English. Please contact the office for more information.

The selection process is conducted in two phases:

1 — Once the applications are received, a shortlist of applicants is set up.

2 — After interviews with the short-listed applicants, the selection of students is finalised.

QUALIFICATIONS OFFERED

At Leap we aim to open doors for our students through our training, enabling them to minister to a broad scope of people across geographical and even cultural boundaries.

In order to present relevant ministry training of the highest standard, we incorporate training material from different sources along with material developed by Leap and ultimately by JoshGen.

After a year of doing the program, a student will obtain a certificate of attendance from the Leap Discipleship Year.

Leap is thus not an accredited course.

The Leap program consists of morning classes, and leaves the afternoons open for a student to study an additional course if they would choose to do so. Internet and study facilities are available at our campus for self-studies.

If a student wishes to study a BTh in Theology, we would strongly suggest correspondence courses through SATS (South African Theological Seminary) as additional studies in the afternoons. Leap has had a long partnership with SATS to date, and we can testify that their material is Bible-based and aimed at equipping ministers for the church. Leap will assist in the enrolment process of a student should they require to study at SATS.

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CURRICULUM

One of the methods of training at Leap is the input received during class times. Students will be exposed to a variety of experienced lecturers and gifted ministers from within JoshGen and other local and international speakers.

In compiling this program, we have attempted to create a “greenhouse” environment in which students will be given the opportunity to grow most effectively for life and ministry.

With our curriculum we cover the following areas:

BIBLICAL STUDIES: Learning about God. We study books of the Bible and theological themes with the benefit of giving lifelong foundations and tools for students to understand God and His Word.

CHRISTIAN LIVING: Learning about relationships. We focus on character development and giving biblical and practical tools on how to relate to people and to get to know themselves better.

CULTURE: Learning about the world. We look at how to develop a Christian/biblical worldview as we have classes that engage with media, movies, popular culture and important modern ethical issues.

CHURCH LIFE: Learning about the church. We teach about church leadership, we do practical ministry and expose students to various Joshgen congregations and life-changing conferences. We also offer an optional worship stream in which we train students to play instruments and how to lead worship.

COMMUNAL LIVING: There's a side to our program's success that's based on the organic growth that comes from living with other Christians. It's finding Jesus together, learning how to handle conflict, spontaneous prayer and worship times. We shape one another as we do life together.



WHAT TO EXPECT

1. Church Life

By being actively involved in the life of JoshGen, the students will gain hands-on experience in church leadership and church life. They will also be exposed to different disciplines and healthy New Testament values within JoshGen, thus creating an integral view of church leadership and involvement. Throughout the course of the year, team members will be allocated to different JoshGen congregation visits to be exposed to the wider church family. For more information on JoshGen please visit our website at www.joshgen.co.za.

2. Campus Life

Campus life is one big adventure, whether it's a family night at home with games or exploring our beautiful surroundings or worshipping together our students have a lot of fun together! While they are learning how to buy groceries and cook for themselves, they are also forming lifelong friendships. Living together our students shape each other's character as they grow together.

3. Youth Ministry

Students will have the opportunity to be involved in planning and running youth ministries and activities alongside mentors. The students will reach out in several schools throughout South Africa, being involved with their Christian Action meetings, Bible Education periods, hosting camps, youth-weeks and outreaches as well as other Christian activities.

4. Weekly outreaches

There will also be an opportunity for each student to commit to one or two areas of ministry in the community where they will be attending church on a Sunday. These outreaches will take place on Wednesdays which we call "LOVE days". Through LOVE days, we will expose students to various forms of local ministry (youth / children / farms / evangelism, orphanages etc.) We place high value on these outreach days, because they create a culture of reaching out on a continual basis.

5. Outreach Trips

We also go on annual outreaches, where we travel across South Africa and further afield to visit different schools, churches, communities and towns. During these outreach times, the bigger team is divided into smaller groups that will consequently reach out to different areas. During these times the students will be able to practice what they have been taught, and the opportunity may arise to be placed in a leadership position or as organiser in one of these teams.

6. Coming up for Air

At the end of every week we get together to come up for air. We take time to connect with each other, share testimonies or chat through team dynamics. Sometimes these times are used to eat together or do something fun, but we end our week as a team.

7. Fun Day & Spontaneous Adventures

Once a term we take one day to do something fun as a team. We go for hikes, beach days and explore Cape Town. These days are an opportunity to get out and make memories. We live close to mountain pools and in the summer we sometimes have spontaneous trips to cool off. When it snows in winter, we try to see if we can find a snow day, and we might spontaneously cancel class to drive to the nearest snow.

PRACTICAL MINISTRY TRAINING

During the allocated times, each student and different outreach teams will make use of the time to prepare themselves for outreaches and practical ministry in general. Areas in which they can be prepared are: drama, teaching/preaching, worship leading, general counselling and children/ youth ministry. These mediums will be used in the various forms of outreaches to give the students a platform to minister from.

The emphasis here is not on the skill so much as it is on the ministry opportunity created by these mediums. Students with no previous experience should not be concerned, as they will be trained from a basic level. We encourage students to involve themselves increasingly in their field of interest. We have found that this form of exposure is vital in the development of the student. Not only does this give the student more self-confidence in front of an audience, but it also gives them a point of contact with the people they minister to, thus opening the door for counselling and other forms of ministry.



SECOND & THIRD YEAR

Students can apply for Lead our second year after they have completed their first year with Leap. More information about the Internship Program will be available for all first years at Leap.

BREAKAWAYS

Breakaways give students the opportunity to relate to each other in a non-training setting, while enjoying some of the beautiful sites in South Africa.

The orientation breakaway is facilitated at the beginning of the year, where students will get to know their lecturers, mentors and one-another on a personal level. At the end of the year there is a debriefing breakaway, at which time we evaluate and reflect on the past year. The whole team also attends the Leap Graduation Ceremony and year-end function which always promises to be a great event!



THE PROGRAM

This is the basic week schedule during the times of training:

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MORNING	Planted from 08:00-13:00	Leap classes from 8:00 – 13:00	Leap classes from 8:00 – 13:00	Leap classes from 8:00 – 13:00	Leap classes from 8:00 – 13:00
AFTERNOON	Afternoon Elective	Worship Elective (Optional)	LOVE Day	Afternoon Elective	Off
EVENING	Family night	Evening off to study / work	JoshGen Community Groups	Band Practice for worship teams (Optional)	Youth (Optional)

The Leap program will run from 8:00 until 13:00 during week days. During these times, students will focus on our curriculum. We will have devotional times, teaching classes, an outreach day once a week, practical classes, book review classes, and an optional worship elective. In the afternoons and evening students have time to or work/study. Outside of these times the students buy groceries or cook together and spend many hours connecting with one another.



Afternoon Electives

During the afternoons all students will be expected to get involved in one of two electives. We want to make it clear that even though the official LEAP program will only be until 1 pm the students will be expected to get involved in one of the two electives mentioned below. We consider these electives to be part of the complete package of what students will learn during their time with us. Please note that there will be time to get finalize their plans once they are in Wellington.

The Electives are:

Studying: Students will be able to use the time in the afternoons to study any correspondence course. Students who would like to get a recognized qualification in theology in addition to the LEAP curriculum, are strongly advised to consider a correspondence course through SATS (South African Theological Seminary). This does not mean that studies are limited to Theology. Students can use this time to study any course that they feel will benefit them.

Working: The second option that the student will have is to get a half day job during the afternoons. This option can assist students with their financial responsibilities. In addition to that, being exposed to a normal work environment can assist them in practically applying and grounding what they have learnt at Leap.

If a student chooses not to study or cannot find a job during the afternoons, the student will be expected to serve to some capacity. In such a case Leap will provide serving opportunities at the school, the church or on our property.

FEES

Although it remains the student's responsibility to raise the necessary funds, LEAP will assist students with the raising of sponsors where needed. We assist students by giving them the relevant letters, and giving guidance and assistance in the process. Feel free to contact the office in this regard.

Student Fees Include

- Admin Fees & Class Fees
- All Additional books & material
- Leap Outreach Costs
- Leap Orientation & Debriefing Camp Costs
- Year-end Function/Graduation Ceremony Costs
- Team Wear Costs
- SA Four12 Conference
- Exposure to Joshua Generation Congregations & Travel Costs
- Internet & Access to network infrastructure.

Student Fees Exclude

- The use of the telephone, fax machine, photocopier and printer for personal use.
- Accommodation, food and household supplies.
- Any expenses around general JG Church events (gatherings, meetings etc.)
- International outreaches

PROGRAM FEES

The Leap program fee for 2025 is R5 175 per month for 12 months.

ACCOMMODATION FEES

The Accommodation fee for 2025 is R2 800 per month for 12 months.

ACCOMMODATION

Students wishing to apply for accommodation at our residence can do so by indicating it on the Leap Application forms. Limited accommodation is available on the Leap campus. (Please see the Leap Application forms for more information).

**Please note that these amounts are tentative and might change.*



TERMINATION OF STUDIES

If a student chooses to terminate his/her studies at Leap at any stage after the start of the year, he/she will be held liable for the 3 months after terminating his/her program.

Leap reserves the right to terminate a student's participation in the program in the following instances:

- The student continually conducts himself/herself in a manner contrary to the code of conduct of the Leap Discipleship Year.
- If any fees are outstanding for a period longer than thirty days, except if prior arrangement has been made and approved by Leap. Should this happen, the students will still be held liable for 3 months fees after that.

Please feel free to contact the office if you are in need of any further information or advice.

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* Please always remember to add your full name as reference.

