### My experience of MAP...

### **Tony Nicholls**



MAP was a terrific preparation for ordained ministry: lots of hands-on experience from preaching to equipping God's people to serve others and be a witness to our world-all with the benefit of excellent mentoring!

#### Tamie Davis



As I finish theological studies and head towards an overseas cross cultural context, I'm so thankful to God for what MAP taught me about training other leaders and developing sustainable ministries.

**Arthur Ang** 



It's been great to complete my apprenticeship in international student ministry, learning in the "beginners' pool" with an "instructor" swimming alongside me!

### Reuben Salagaras



My time as a campus-ministry apprentice helped confirm that I'd love to do vocational ministry full-time and long term. It was great working this out with a fun and supportive team and trainer.

### **Clayton Fopp**



It's often said a church planter is a jack-of-all-trades: pastor, fundraiser, administrator, youth worker and cleaner (to name a few!). MAP provided me with a variety of experiences which have proved invaluable in preparing me for the diversity of my current ministry.



Last published 2017



The Ministry Apprenticeship Program is part of the **Ministry Training Strategy (MTS)**, which is a national organisation with nearly 40 years of experience in ministry training.

The Vision of MTS is recruiting and training gospel workers who recruit and train gospel workers. Our goal is to recruit and train 10,000 apprentices by the end of 2020.

Ben Pfahlert, MTS National Director

# The Ministry Apprenticeship Program

The things you have heard ... in the presence of many witnesses ... entrust to reliable people ... who will also be qualified to teach others.

2 Timothy 2:2



## The Ministry Apprenticeship Program



# What is MAP?

### What is the Ministry Apprenticeship Program?

MAP is a two-year, full time apprenticeship in pastoral ministry working with a church or para-church organisation.

### Why should I do MAP?

- \* MAP is a fantastic way to learn 'on the job' and to assess your suitability for vocational ministry.
- \* MAP gives an outstanding preparation for a lifetime of vocational ministry as a trainer of God's people.
- \* MAP will help you to define the right pastoral questions to be asking at Bible College.

Since its inception in 1999, over 60 South

Australian men and women from a variety of church
backgrounds have participated in MAP
and are now serving God throughout His world...

# **Key Features:**

### **Key Features of the Ministry Apprenticeship Program include:**

- \* the opportunity to work 'hands-on' with an experienced ministry trainer
- \* the provision of real areas of responsibility in a supervised and safe environment
- \* weekly participation in a formal training program with other apprentices under the guidance of experienced ministry innovators (see sample curriculum)
- \* formal six-monthly reviews to enable ongoing personal development
- \* invaluable experience in building long-term gospel partnerships (Ministry Apprentices receive a basic living allowance and are responsible for raising a proportion of this support)

### MINISTRY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

# Formal Training:

### **Formal Training and Curriculum:**

The formal MAP training program is 2 hours weekly during school term, and has a curriculum which covers four broad topic areas, including:

#### **Personal Growth**

- Spiritual life of the pastor
- Success and failure in ministry
- Christian leadership

### **Ministry Skills**

- How to write a Bible Talk
- How to work in mixed-gender teams
- How to develop a church missions strategy

### Theological Thought

- Thinking theologically
- Responding to universalism
- Developing a doctrine of scripture

#### **Exposure to Broader Ministry**

- Ministry to the poor and needy
- School chaplaincy
- Prison ministry

Ministry Apprentices will also read and discuss one Christian book each term and participate in 'practical sessions' (e.g. giving a Bible Talk).