

**NEW SUNLIGHT BAPTIST CHURCH LOUISIANA, INC.**  
**P. O. Box 18001**  
**Lake Charles, LA 70616**

**Pastor Search**

New Sunlight Baptist Church Louisiana, Inc. of Lake Charles, Louisiana is prayerfully seeking a pastor who is called by God Almighty. The candidate shall serve as the chief under-shepherd, feeding, leading and nurturing the sheep towards righteous living, humble service and spiritual stewardship. The pastor shall preach the gospel, administer the ordinances, watch over the membership, and have charge of the spiritual welfare of the congregation and the stated services of public worship. He shall be a man called to the gospel ministry in accordance with the Baptist faith and committed to living and serving in a manner consistent with the standard set forth in scripture, including 2 Timothy 3:17, and Titus 1:5-9.

- **All interested applicants MUST submit an Official application.**
- **Resumes or other submissions not utilizing the Official application will not be accepted.**

**Applications must be received by March 9, 2017**

**Sincerely,**

**Pulpit Committee**

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## CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION

Return completed and signed application (5 pages) to:  
Pulpit Committee  
New Sunlight Baptist Church  
P. O. Box 18001  
Lake Charles, LA 70616

**NOTE: ALL PAGES MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS POSITION. MISSING INFORMATION OR INCOMPLETE PAGES WILL RESULT IN THE ENTIRE APPLICATION BEING DISMISSED AND NOT CONSIDERED. ALL INFORMATION IS TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL.**

### PLEASE TYPE INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

1. Have you ever been divorced? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you have any health conditions or issues that may inhibit your ability to perform pastoral duties? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Do you have any indebtedness could be causes for rumors, ligation, etc.?  
YES \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
4. Marital Status: Married Separated Divorced Widowed Single
5. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
6. Have you ever registered as a sex offender? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
7. Have any employers ever subjected you to disciplinary action, suspended, terminated, or asked you to leave/vacate your position, or volunteer position for any reason? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (If YES, attach separate sheet and explain)

8. Have you ever been treated for substance/alcohol abuse? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
9. Have you ever been a plaintiff or defendant in an administrative, civil or criminal matter or lawsuit? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ (If YES, attach separate and explain)

**CHURCH BACKGROUND**

10. When were you called to the ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
11. When were you licensed? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Name and location of church where you licensed as a Baptist minister? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Who was the pastor? \_\_\_\_\_  
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13. Are you ordained as a Baptist minister? \_\_\_\_\_ Who was the ordaining pastor and which church? \_\_\_\_\_  
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14. Is your wife in support with your call to the ministry? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Do you strive to fulfill the requirements of 1 Timothy 3? \_\_\_\_\_
16. What version of the Bible do you teach and preach from? \_\_\_\_\_
17. Have you pastored before? \_\_\_\_\_
18. List names, locations and dates of churches you have pastored and how long.  
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19. When were you saved? \_\_\_\_\_ When were you baptized? \_\_\_\_\_
20. Were you baptized by immersion? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
21. Give the name of the church where you were baptized and the pastor. \_\_\_\_\_  
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22. Do you belong to a religious association or convention? If so, which one(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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23. What importance do you give to visitation? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Concerning Finances:**

24. What is your current salary per month? \_\_\_\_\_
25. Do you presently have health insurance? \_\_\_\_\_

26. Do you presently have life insurance? \_\_\_\_\_
27. Are you paying into Social Security? \_\_\_\_\_
28. Do you have a retirement plan? \_\_\_\_\_
29. Do you own your own home? \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupational History:**

30. Name, Address and Date of place of employment \_\_\_\_\_  
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31. Supervisor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

32. Have you ever entered a plea of not guilty, or guilty or a plea of 'no contest' (nolo contendere), or has any court ever deferred further proceedings without entering a finding of guilty and placed you on probation or in a public service or education program for any crime other than a minor traffic offense Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

33. List your last three places of employment, dates and length of employment and reasons for leaving each job: (Attach separate sheet if necessary)

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34. How have you prepared yourself for the ministry? Give name of Bible College/Seminary, address, city, state and zip for each; how long you attended and; if you graduated or completed course of work. Is the degree/course work from a regionally accredited institution such as Association of Theological Schools (ATS) or Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (Attach separate sheet if necessary)

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35. List names, locations and dates of any College/University (secular) that you have attended. List how long you attended and any degree (s) you obtained.

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36. How long have you been preaching? \_\_\_\_\_
37. Do you believe that the minister is a lifelong learner? \_\_\_\_\_
38. If our church desires a pastor who will pastor only our church, would you be willing to resign from the other churches that you presently pastor?
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39. What salary are you seeking? Be Specific \_\_\_\_\_
40. What type of benefits do you want us to provide for you? \_\_\_\_\_
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41. Name the organizations (civic, fraternal, religious/denominational, etc.) to which you belong:
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42. List any awards or honors you have received
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43. What do you feel are your strengths as a leader?
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44. What do you feel are areas you need to develop as a leader?
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45. Do you give us permission to conduct a background, credit and criminal check?
- YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_
46. Please give the names, addresses and phone numbers of three references qualified to speak of your spiritual experience and Christian service. (Do not list family members or relatives): One reference must be from your current Pastor.

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47. List names, addresses and phone numbers of three references that are qualified to speak of your professional training and experience. References should be different from above.  
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48. When are you available to meet with the pulpit committee? \_\_\_\_\_

49. When are you available to fill the pulpit if selected? \_\_\_\_\_

50. Print your name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that all statements made by me on this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and are a full and complete disclosure. I authorize my current and prior employers, educational institutions and persons or organizations named to release any information to New Sunlight Baptist Church Louisiana, Inc. (Lake Charles, LA) or its representative that may be required. I understand that misleading or false statements will constitute cause for refusal to hire or termination of my pastoral assignment or employment.

51. Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Your signature authorizes New Sunlight Baptist Church to conduct Criminal Background and Credit Checks on you.**

**You may attach a resume and digital copies (video or audio) of any sermons you personally delivered. HOWEVER, this application MUST be completely filled out and returned for any consideration.**