Mt Calvary Baptist Church

Pulpit Search Committee P.O. Box 5404 Albany, New York 12205 mtcalvary12@gmail.com



Announcement for Pulpit Vacancy Monday, July 1, 2014

The Mt. Calvary Baptist Church of Albany, NY is prayerfully searching for a Senior Pastor due to the recent retirement of our Pastor, Rev. Robert W. Dixon, after thirty-six years of God-lead service to our congregation. Mt. Calvary has been established in the City of Albany for seventy-eight years and we are affiliated with the National Baptist Convention, USA, the Empire Missionary Baptist Convention of New York State and the Central Hudson Baptist Association. We are a church with great potential for spiritual and physical growth located in the South End of the City of Albany

We are seeking a Pastor who meets the following minimum requirements:

Personal Requirements:

- 1. Must be guided by the principles set forth in I Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus1:5-9
- 2. Must be a person of prayer, good faith, Godly character and Divinely called to God's ministry
- 3. Must be baptized by immersion as set forth by Baptist doctrine
- 4. Must have personal character and financial standing that is above reproach, both inside and outside the church'
- 5. Must be able to lead, and communicate effectively with congregants and key staff of the church
- 6. Must practice the Biblical principles of Christian stewardship

Professional Requirements:

- 1. Must be licensed, trained and ordained in the Baptist ministry
- 2. A Bachelor's Degree from a seminary, divinity school or Bible college is preferred
- 3. Pastoral experience is preferred
- 4. Must have a demonstrated ability to deliver biblically sound, inspirational and spirit- filled sermons
- 5. Must exhibit great leadership, administrative and communication abilities
- 6. Must be an effective teacher of Christian Education and Baptist Doctrine

Duties of the Pastor:

- 1. Serve as spiritual leader for the congregation
- 2. Provide guidance, instruction and support for all ministries of the Church
- 3. Plan and conduct worship service
- 4. Officiate at weddings, funerals, baptisms, communion and other functions of the Church
- 5. Provide Pastoral guidance and counseling to congregants
- 6. Develop and teach Christian Education to promote the spiritual growth and understanding of the congregation
- 7. Develop and grow the Youth of the church into strong, committed Christians
- 8. Show a service commitment to the local community through church programs
- 9. Provide Pastoral guidance and comfort during times of congregant bereavement, illness, or other conditions of tribulation.

If you feel that you meet the minimum qualifications outlined above, please submit the following items to the Pulpit Committee for review:

- A copy of your current resume
- A cover letter which provides the following information:
 - Why you are interested in being the Senior Pastor of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
 - Why you wish to leave your current and/or past church(s)
 - Any other information you would like the Committee to know about you
- A copy of your certificate of license and ordination
- A copy of your degree(s) as described in *Professional Requirements*

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION IS POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN Saturday, August 30, 2014 and mail to:

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church ATTN: Pulpit Committee P.O. Box 5404 Albany, NY 12205

PLEASE <u>DO NOT</u> MAIL THESE ITEMS TO THE CHURCH'S ADDRESS. USE ONLY THE PO BOX LISTED ABOVE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

The Pulpit Committee will acknowledge receipt of all candidate responses that are submitted to us *on a timely basis*. Candidates accepted for consideration will be notified and sent additional instructions and information.