

First Baptist Church of Burlington 7475 County Road One Burlington, Ohio 45680 740-894-3498 www.fbcburlington.com

Deacon Lewis Harvey, Deacon Ministry Chairman

## April 6, 2015

## **Pastor Vacancy Announcement**

The First Baptist Church of Burlington is seeking a full-time Pastor called by God to be the spiritual and administrative leader of the congregation. The applicant must be a teacher and preacher led by the Holy Spirit, with the ability to develop and deliver biblically-sound, Spirit filled sermons and teachings.

We are a Missionary Baptist Church that was organized in 1887; we have a small membership but have the potential to grow under an effective leader. Our search is due to the retirement of our beloved Pastor, Dr. Douglas C. Carter, who served us faithfully for 43 years.

We desire to grow as a church in Christian service and outreach in our community, as we grow individually with our daily walk with God. First Baptist Church of Burlington is a member of the Providence Regular Missionary Baptist Association Inc., (the oldest association within the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.), the Ohio Baptist General Convention and the National Baptist Convention U.S.A. Inc.

## **Requirements include, but are not limited to the following:**

- Be a licensed and ordained Baptist preacher
- Be filled with and led by the Holy Spirit and meet the qualities and characteristics set forth in 1Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9
- Encourage tithing and sacrificial giving as God's method of financially supporting His church as taught in Malachi 3:8-10
- Supports the State and National Convention to which this church belong
- Believe and exemplify biblical characteristics
- Demonstrate visionary leadership to grow church membership
- Believe in and adhere to the practice of Baptist doctrine, ordinances, and polity
- Exhibit a passion to preach and teach the unadulterated Word of God
- Have a sense of church administration, organization and financial management
- Aspire to establish, foster and maintain a strong sense of community
- Be Mission minded
- Recognize and actively promote the gifts and talents of the church body
- Be above reproach in personal character and financial standings both inside and outside the church
- Degree from an accredited theological seminary and college
- Minimum of two years pastoral experience

Interested candidates should submit the following:

- 1. Cover letter
- 2. Updated and complete resume
- 3. Detailed listing of ministerial and pastoral experiences
- 4. Copies of diplomas, degrees, ministerial license and ordination certificate
- 5. Four references:
  - a. Two (2) from pastors/clergy
  - b. One (1) from lay person
  - c. One (1) personal

## All Documents should be submitted to:

Pulpit Committee First Baptist Church of Burlington 7475 County Road 1 Burlington, Ohio 45680 firstbaptistburlington@gmail.com

All documents must be received by July 6, 2015