



Reaching the Lost for Christ One Soul at a Time

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

"In Service to God, Country and Community Since 1888"

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Pastoral Vacancy Announcement

The Second Baptist Church of Fresno is prayerfully seeking a Senior Pastor, called by God and spiritually equipped to effectively preach and teach the Word of God to His people. The candidate must provide the vision and direction throughout the church community by preaching, teaching, leadership and counseling to lead others to Christ. The candidate must be a born again, baptized believer in Jesus Christ, and also have the ability to fulfill the spiritual needs of the congregation, including but not limited to baptizing converts, visitations, prayer, conducting weddings and funerals, and other duties as required to grow God's Kingdom and the perfection of its saints. The ideal candidate will be a leader with sound biblical doctrine as listed in 2 Corinthians 6:1-10, 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9.

Second Baptist Church of Fresno recently celebrated 126 years of God's grace and has a rich history of leadership, evangelism, and community service. The church is making great strides in laying the foundation for the man of God to lead the revival of the church back to its role as serving as a lighthouse for souls not yet having found salvation through Jesus Christ.

The following qualifications are required:

- A licensed and ordained minister in the Baptist Faith
- A preacher of the gospel with at least five (5) years of experience and/or a Theology/Divinity Degree
- A teacher of the Word of God
- Visionary, with sound judgment and discernment
- Effective communication skills (written and oral)
- Demonstrate ability to work with a diverse congregation across age, gender and race
- Possess effective administrative and leadership skills
- Demonstrate financial awareness and responsibility
- Must be committed to continuing education and development

Interested candidates should return:

- A cover letter
- The completed application and current resume/vita
- A copy of degrees, ordination certificate, and any other certificates
- A recent color photograph
- A copy of two (2) CD's and/or DVD's of sermons (YouTube Clips are acceptable)
- A summary of spouse and/or family ministry experience (if applicable)

All materials must be included to make up complete packet. We will not accept any packets that are incomplete.

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Deacon Board Chairman

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Trustee Board Chairman

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Moderator

Johnny White

Pastor Search Chairman

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Church Clerk

The selection process will consist of three (3) Phases:

Phase I – The Pastor Search Committee will review all resumes and sermons to select those candidates that meet the basic requirements and needs for the Senior Pastor position at Second Baptist Church of Fresno. All candidates submitting applications will be immediately notified by the Pastor Search Committee (“PSC”) acknowledging receipt of their resume/application. All candidates will also be periodically notified by the Pastor Search Committee’s regarding progress and timing during its evaluation process and any decision regarding their individual application.

Phase II – All candidates selected to proceed to Phase II of the selection process will be requested to provide four (4) letters of recommendations (2 from pastor/clergy and 2 personal). Phase II candidates will be interviewed and dependent on interview performance will be provided an opportunity to personally preach at Second Baptist Church of Fresno. General information (Constitution and Bylaws, Articles of Faith, etc.) regarding Second Baptist Church of Fresno will be provided to all Phase II candidates prior to the interview process.

Phase III – All Phase II candidates will be immediately notified as to the decision regarding their individual application status. Those candidates selected to proceed to Phase III status will be notified and requested to sign a Letter of Authorization for the committee to perform confidential professional third party background and reference checks. More in depth and detail interviews, church sermons combined with fervent prayer will take place to select the final candidate for presentation and approval by the church. The final candidates will be requested to verbally and in writing provide their short and long term vision for the church.

Submit completed packet only to:
Second Baptist Church Pastoral Search Committee
P.O. Box 10227
Fresno, CA
Or by E-Mail
chairman@sbcpulpitsearch.com

Deadline for Application Return is Post Marked By October 01, 2015

Thank you for your interest and support in assisting Second Baptist Church of Fresno in its search for God’s Shepard for this flock of believers.

In God’s Eternal Grace,

Deacon Johnny White, Pastor Search Committee Chairman

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**Second Baptist Church of Fresno
Pastoral Application**

Personal Information

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone: (_____) _____ Cell Phone:(_____) _____

Business Telephone: (_____) _____

Email Address: _____

Marital Status: _____ Single _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Widowed

Spouse's Full Name _____ Number of Children: _____

Pastoral Experience (Begin with Present or Most current)

Position Title: _____

Name of Church: _____

Name of Pastor (if applicable): _____

Church Address: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Length of Position: From (Month/Year): _____ To (Month/Year): _____

Reason for Leaving: _____

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