



Tabernacle Baptist Church

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COLUMBUS, OH 43219
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Pastor Search Announcement

Opening Date: May 7, 2012

Closing Date: June 8, 2012

The Tabernacle Baptist Church seeks to fill the position of Pastor for its urban congregation of over 400 members. Tabernacle was established in 1926 and is located on the northeast side of Columbus. We have a rich history in evangelism, missions, and outreach ministries, and are seeking to build on this legacy. Tabernacle is a place where we are committed to seeking and bringing those who are separated from God into a personal relationship with His Son, Jesus Christ, and adding believers to our family of faith through friendly worship, discipleship, evangelism, nurture, and community service. We are affiliates of the Eastern Union Missionary Baptist Association (EUMBA), Ohio Baptist General Convention (OBGC), and National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.

The Pastor is the general overseer (Acts 20:28), under shepherd (1 Peter 5:1-4), and physical authority (Hebrews 13:17) of the church. The Pastor leads and nurtures the congregation's spiritual development and their commitment to Jesus Christ and the Word of God. This is accomplished in performance of the Nine Sacerdotal Functions – Conducting Worship Services, Teaching, Baptism, Weddings, Funerals, Communion, Baby Blessings, Spiritual Counseling, and Administration of Church Affairs.

PREACHING, TEACHING AND PRAYING

- Act as the general overseer, under shepherd and physical authority of the church
- Preach and conduct regular worship services as well as revivals, funerals, weddings, baptism and dedication of babies
- Develop and lead an effective program of community care, home and foreign missions, prayer and evangelism that encourages others to follow Jesus Christ

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

- Lead a Christian Education Program that teaches Baptist doctrine and Christian ethics and presents biblical guidelines for Christian living according to the Baptist Articles of Faith
- Act as a resource to church ministries including the Sunday School, Bible Study, and Vacation Bible School
- Guide and support the church's program

ADMINISTRATION AND LEADERSHIP

- Serve as the Chief Executive and Administrative Officer of the Church
- Collaborate with the deacons and trustees to appropriate church resources to meet the congregation's spiritual and physical needs
- Lead development of a strategic plan for the church that includes a vision, quantifiable goals, objectives and an implementation plan
- Participate and represent the church in community and professional organizations

VISITATION AND COUNSELING

- Develop and lead a program of pastoral care that includes special needs such as prayer, communion and visitation
- Provide spiritual counseling and guidance to those needing assistance

MINISTERIAL AND CONGREGATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Engage in study, training and other self development
- Teach and prepare the ministerial staff, deacons, trustees and ministry leaders for effective ministry
- Develop and lead a program to identify, train and nurture committed persons to become disciples of Jesus Christ
- Support and participate in local, state and national church-related associations and conventions

QUALIFICATIONS

- Ability to perform the nine sacerdotal functions
- Knowledge of principles of Christian education, home and foreign missions
- Knowledge and experience in church administration, including fiscal practices, staff management and strategic planning
- Ability to provide spiritual counseling and pastoral care
- Ability to lead, develop and train deacons, trustees, ministry leaders and congregation
- Ability to communicate with persons in the congregation and community

EXPERIENCE/EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum five (5) years of pastoral experience
- Graduate of accredited college or university
- Graduate of accredited seminary
- Licensed/Ordained Baptist Minister
- The equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered on an individual basis
- Aligned with and committed to the tenets of the Baptist Faith
- Must be ethical, possess strong faith, integrity, dedication, and live a lifestyle that reflects God

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Interested applicants should submit the following documents:

- Cover Letter
- Current Resume

Upon request, successful candidates must submit the following:

- Copy of Ministerial License
- Copy of Ordination License
- Certified Academic Transcripts
- Other information as required throughout the interview process

Final candidates must consent to a Reference Check, Criminal History Background Check, Drug Test, and Credit and Financial History Review (performed through outside agencies for complete confidentiality).

Applicants may submit the cover letter and current resume via one of the following methods:

1. EMAIL: hrdept@tabernacle-bc.com
2. FAX: (614) 253-0827
3. U.S. MAIL: TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH
ATTN PULPIT COMMITTEE
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ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED OR POSTMARKED BY JUNE 8, 2012

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

All information submitted will be held in the strictest confidence, available only to the Tabernacle Baptist Church Pulpit Committee. Upon the call of a new Pastor, ALL applicant materials will be destroyed.

For additional information, we invite you to visit our website at: www.tabernacle-bc.com