Pastoral Vacancy Announcement

The Barraque Street Missionary Baptist Church of Pine Bluff, Arkansas has been in existence for 133 years. Currently the membership is approximately 200, with 12 ministries. The church is prayerfully seeking a full-time pastor who is called by God and equipped to effectively preach and teach the Word of God. The candidate must also possess the biblical and spiritual qualities as outlined in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9.

Principle Function/Accountability (include but are not limited to):

- Adheres to the church’s constitution and by-laws.
- Serves as a spiritual leader for the congregation.
- Organizes and develops the church’s strength for the best possible service.
- Prepares and delivers sermons, properly leads the congregation in observing the Holy ordinances of baptism and the Lord’s Supper.
- Officiates at weddings, baptisms, funerals, baby dedications, and the ordination of Deacons and Associate Ministers.
- Guides the spiritual formation of the congregation through bible study, teaching, preaching, and leads by example.
- Acts as a moderator for church business meetings and Advisory Council.
- Works with deacons, church officers, and committees as they perform their assigned responsibilities.
- Meets at least quarterly with all committees when possible.
- Serves as chief administrator of the paid church staff; supervises the work of the staff.
- Serves as an ex officio member of all church ministries and committees.
- Provides visionary leadership.
- Collaborates with associational, national, state, and denominational leaders in matters of mutual interest and concern.

A successful applicant will meet the following qualifications:

- Be a licensed and ordained minister in the Baptist faith.
- Be a visionary with sound judgement and discernment.
- Have at least a minimum of five years (preferred) of pastoral experience.
- Have at least a bachelor’s degree from an accredited College/University and/or Theological Seminary training (preferred).
- Possess effective communication skills (written and oral).
- Growth oriented and pastoral care capabilities.
- Knowledge of church budgeting and financial responsibilities.
- Ability to work effectively with a congregation across all ages and gender.
- Possess effective administrative and leadership skills.

Review of applications will begin 30 days after this announcement.

Application Submission Instructions

The following items must accompany your application:

- Cover letter and professional resume
- Three letters of recommendation (clergy, layperson, and personal)
- Copies of license, ordination certificate, transcripts of educational accomplishments and any other certificates.
- CD, DVD or internet link of recent sermons and Bible teachings (within the last two years).
- List of social media profiles (Facebook name, Twitter handle, Instagram name, etc.).

Application submission instructions:

Barraque Street Missionary Baptist Church

www.barraquestmbc.org
Interested individuals may submit application materials via one of the methods below:

**Mail**

Barraque Street Missionary Baptist Church

**Attention: Pastoral Search Committee Chairperson**

P.O. Box 8262

Pine Bluff, AR 71611

or

**Electronically (PDF only)**

BSMBCpsc@gmail.com

Phone calls and facsimile transmissions are strongly discouraged.
(APPLICATION FOR OFFICE OF PASTOR)

Name (Full)__________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
____________________________________________________
Telephone: ___________________ Email: __________________

License:

Date Received: ________________________ (Please provide a photocopy)

Telephone: __________________________

Denomination: ________________________

Issuing Pastor’s Name and Address:
_____________________________________
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Name and address of Issuing Church:
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Telephone: __________________________

Ordination: Date____________________ Name and Address of Church_______________________
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EXPERIENCE

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Church Mission Work: (Please describe at least one unique program or activity that you initiated and completed that resulted in spiritual and physical growth in the churches listed above. Please identify the church where the program or activity occurred.)

Evangelization:

Pastoral Care for Others:

Worship:

Church Building Program:
EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION

Please list in chronological order the names and addresses of undergraduate and/or graduate institutions that you have attended. Please include seminary studies.

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Please list publications that you have authored or co-authored. The publication should include any thesis or dissertation:

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Membership and Participation in the Associations of Churches
(Please include local, state, regional and national associations)

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Membership and Participation in Educational and Civic Organizations

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List Honors/Awards Recognitions that you have received

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(For additional honors and awards please add an additional page for this section)

Explain your understanding of the role of the pastor in the ministry? (Please write a brief statement describing your views on stewardship, church programs, community involvement, philosophy of church administration, meaning of private and public worship and church discipline).
REFERENCES
(List three references)

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Do you authorize the Search Committee to request a credit report and background check?
( ) Yes  ( ) No

__________________________  ________________________  ________________  ________________
Signature                  Address                    Telephone                  Date

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