

Pastor – Liberty Grace Church

Overview

Liberty Grace Church is young, trailblazing church in the urban centre of Toronto. It is a church that aims to reach the Liberty Village area with the good news of Jesus Christ through relational evangelism, a welcoming church environment, clear biblical preaching, and creative initiatives.

The Pastor will be privileged to lead the church in this critical, groundbreaking mission. He will provide leadership, guidance, and care to the congregation to help it grow in spiritual maturity and in outreach, helping the gospel to be known in one of the most secular communities in Canada.

Qualifications

- He must be a believer who openly gives testimony to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour and Lord.

- He must be biblically qualified and maintain a pure life as outlined in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1.
- He must be fully committed to Liberty Grace Church's Statement of Faith, Membership Covenant, and values.
- He should have appropriate formal training, and while a Master of Divinity is preferred, a combination of relevant experience and education will be considered.
- He must be gifted in preaching the Word and in leadership.
- He must believe in and be committed to the working with other godly elders.
- He must have a passion for evangelism and reaching people who are skeptical or have never considered the relevance of the gospel for their lives.
- Ideally, the candidate should live in or be present in Liberty Village to build relationships within the community and model living on mission within our target area.
- Willingness to be a co-vocational pastor, raise funds for the church and maintain relationships with existing donors, in view of the unique operational circumstances of Liberty Grace Church.

Responsibilities

The below order prioritizes the areas of responsibility both in terms of the major headings and within the major headings.

Prayer and Teaching of the Word

- Prayerfully preach sermons that centre on the Lord Jesus Christ and proclaim the Scriptures in a way that helps believers grow and is accessible to unbelievers.
- Call people to respond to God's word in obedience by taking practical steps to follow God.
- Oversee the Sunday worship services.
- Administer the Ordinances of Communion and Baptism.

Overall Leadership of the Church.

- Strategize and implement plans for the long-term viability of the church.
- Supervise and lead in short- and long-range planning to help the church accomplish its mission.
- Work with elders and the congregation to clarify direction and ministries.
- Lead our church in reaching out evangelistically.

Administration

- Recruit and work with administrative volunteers and staff to operate the church.
- Communicate regularly with the church family to pass on news, events, and to reinforce the culture and values of the church.

Leadership Development:

- Identify and disciple those with leadership potential.

- Empower the congregation for mission.
- Stay abreast of appropriate reading and conferences related to effective missional strategy in an urban context.

Care for the Flock

- Practice hospitality.
- Officiate at funerals.
- Ensure that premarital counselling takes place and officiate at weddings.
- Oversee the development of Membership Class Curriculum and ensure that it is regularly taught.
- Counsel in times of crisis.

The Extended Body of Christ

- Maintain relationships with donors and partner churches.
- Maintain relationship with other evangelical churches and their pastors in the community and especially in FEB Central.
- Represent the church in the community through participation in different activities.
- Stay abreast of developments within the Evangelical Church.

Working Relationships

He shall be accountable to the Board of Elders.

Remuneration

- Salary to be negotiated with the elders
- Four weeks of paid vacation per year, which equals to 20 business days
- Benefits package which also includes employer RRSP contributions and an extended health plan

If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your resume and cover letter to info@libertygrace.ca. We look forward to hearing from you.