

Lead Pastor

Bethel Evangelical Free Church, Vauxhall, Alberta

Bethel Evangelical Free Church (Bethel Church) is earnestly praying for God's guidance to secure a **Lead Pastor** with pastoral experience who believes he is called by God to shepherd in a Christ centered, loving and prayerful church that impacts the community of Vauxhall, Alberta, and the world.

Bethel Evangelical Free Church is located amidst the wide open prairie of Southern Alberta Canada. Our church began with humble beginnings as many do, where meetings and prayer meetings were initially held in several homes and at a local school. However, as time rolls on, one thing never changes; Vauxhall remains a relaxed, close knit rural town of down to earth people, whose atmosphere is warm and welcoming.

Bethel is a multi-generational church family consisting of over 70 participants, of which 21 are members. We are community minded and continue to look for new ways to engage and minister to people around us.

Through a recent assessment process the church has determined the Bethel Congregation is seeking a candidate who demonstrates effective communication in preaching and teaching, honors a focus on evangelism and outreach, provides support through shepherding and pastoral care of its congregants, and demonstrates a strong ability to relate to people of all ages.

In addition to the demonstration of the qualities expected of church elders outlined in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9, preference will be given to a person who displays the following personal characteristics and professional skills:

- demonstrates humility, godliness, wisdom, joyfulness, the fullness of the Spirit and evidence of being a team player
- loves and knows the Bible well, has solid theological training at an evangelical Bible College and/or Seminary, and who has pastoral experience
- has a high commitment to sound biblical preaching and teaching that is unifying and practical for all generations
- has a good working knowledge of contemporary Canadian culture and about life in a rural context
- has strong interpersonal abilities that demonstrate care for all ages, good listening skills, a willingness to pursue the individual care of congregants, and to offer counsel as needed

- communicates effectively both verbally and in writing
- has the ability to effectively manage overall ministry with a view to equipping and developing leaders in the church for ministry according to their spiritual gifts
- has the ability to lead the congregation in gospel-centered outreach
- has the skill to develop disciple-making ministries and leads through personal example, and the development of various church ministries

Preference will be given to applicants who are formally ordained/trained for pastoral ministry. They must be willing to whole-heartedly endorse the church's Statement of Faith, Constitution, and Bylaws. Bethel Church provides a salary commensurate with standards established by comparable denominational churches. If interested, by a sense of God's direction, please forward your resume, cover letter and references along with audio sermon access information to explorebethel@gmail.com. Bethel Church will acknowledge receipt of your resume and inform you if, and when, there is further interest in pursuing your application. Applications will be received until the position is filled.