

LONGVIEW BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

Longview Bible Fellowship is looking for a new pastor.

We are a congregation of less than 20 in a village of under 300 people; yet there is a potential for growth from within the village and from the surrounding ranching and farming district. We are currently associated with the Canadian Baptists of Western Canada, but are an independent body. We are doctrinally conservative, but not strictly Baptist. Therefore we seek a pastor with a similar doctrinal position.

Due to our size and limited resources this position presents a variety of challenges. The person led to this position must realize they will need a second income, and be able to cover their housing costs. The successful individual must necessarily clearly recognize this job as a calling from God. They need to have a real heart for lost souls and a capacity to work in a difficult and challenging environment. We, as a congregation consists mostly of seniors and we seek one who would be able to reach out to the younger families in the community and work with the local youth and children.

Personal qualities:

Good communication skills, both one-on-one, in writing, and public speaking

Ability to relate to all ages and backgrounds

Able to resolve differences between congregants in a biblical manner

Demonstrate a real heart for lost souls and a capacity to work in a difficult and challenging environment. Effective leadership skills

Qualifications:

Minimum undergraduate training with further training/experience in pastoral ministry preferred

Experience as a pastor, youth pastor or associate pastor; preferably working in a small town or rural environment

A clear understanding of God's calling as pastor, and a heart for souls

Training in general counseling is an asset

The ability to work with a church board and cooperate with the local ministerial association

Ordained or open to ordination through Canadian Baptists of Western Canada

Duties:

Preparation and delivery of sermons,

Visitation within the community and surrounding area, including hospital and senior lodge,

Coordination and planning with the church board on Sunday School, Bible Study and other outreach programs; including participation in annual community events

Coordination with the High Country Ministerial association as to senior lodge on-site programs and the local food bank

Liaise with the Canadian Baptist of Western Canada as to fellowship meetings, programs, and training; and particularly with High River Baptist Church (sister church).

Oversee general administration

And, other duties that may arise in association with Biblical outreach

Interested candidate are to mail a full resume and statement of faith to Longview Bible Fellowship, Box 280, Longview Ab, T0L1H0; or email to rae@longviewfellowship.com. Further questions can be addressed to the chairperson of the pastoral search committee at the same address.

Our website is longviewfellowship.com.