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Pastor Profile for Emmanuel Baptist Church (Victoria) October 30, 2021

We are looking for a pastor who can help us discover unity in our diversity through a shared commitment to be Christ followers. Our new pastor would come alongside us to facilitate our growth toward openness to all input. Our new pastor would bring Scripture alive for us in today's world, to inspire hope and to guide us in developing a strong congregational prayer life. While we would like someone who is knowledgeable of our Canadian Baptist churches, we are not limiting our search to persons within that tradition.

We are wanting to focus on our new vision statement, *Following Jesus and Serving Our Community as Jesus Would*. It is our desire to build our ministry and staffing plans upon this vision statement. We see ourselves as an active church with many enthusiastic volunteers.

Our former lead pastor resigned at the beginning of 2020 year, just prior to Covid-19. Our remaining pastors and other leaders stepped up and led us well through the disorientation of the pandemic. However, we are beginning to gather in person to continue our ministries all together, and to evolve as a church in response to the pandemic and changes in our culture. Our board and staff are working well together, committed to engagement and transparency with our congregation during our search. Prayer is essential to seeking direction and discernment in our search process.

Interested applicants may contact Audrey Gibson, Personnel Coordinator, in confidence, at ajgibson@telus.net