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Westview Baptist Church **Published: August 17, 2022** Location 1000 Wonderland Road South London, Ontario, CANADA N6K 3S4

Job Type: Full-time

Permanent Position Yes

Category: English

DESCRIPTION

- Provide spiritual leadership to the congregation in the position of Lead Pastor through preaching, worship, counselling, teaching and ministry program development.
- Work in conjunction with the Executive Board of the Church and Committees as required.
- Provide supervision for and mentorship to Ministry Staff.
- Live a life that upholds Christian principles as a Church leader and as a follower of Jesus Christ.

OVERVIEW OF CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

Westview Baptist Church is a mid-size congregation located in the South-West area of London in a demographically diverse and growing community. We are a moderate congregation eager to explore further ways to serve and reach our community and rapidly growing city. Worship is Christ centered, with a blended musical style. Our ministries include a monthly Food Cupboard ministry, mid-week children and youth programs, senior activities and small groups. We are hosting an Indigenous Learning Event "*Walking Together in a Good Way*" September 23-25. We are also involved in a Church Refugee Sponsorship.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

• The preferred candidate will have or be able to obtain accreditation credentials with the Canadian Baptists of Ontario and Quebec. Minimum education requirement is a Master of Divinity degree.

ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- The Lead Pastor shall be the primary spiritual overseer of the Church. The role is exercised in cooperation with the Executive Board. The Lead Pastor reports to the Executive Board.
- The Lead Pastor is both supervisor and coach for other ministry staff and a resource for ministry programs.
- The Lead Pastor provides pastoral care to members of the congregation and community.
- The Lead Pastor will at times be a point of connection for the congregation with the community and the denomination.

PREFERRED SKILLS

- We are seeking an individual who has strengths in preaching that is biblical and relevant and engaging. Loving God and continually being aware of God's love and living the gospel of Jesus are essential requirements.
- Experience as a Lead Pastor would be an asset and being a mentor and supervisor for other ministry staff is a requirement for the position. Technical and social media skills supporting online ministry would be beneficial.
- It will be important to model compassion, humility and genuineness in leadership and relationships. Skills in preaching, worship leadership, teaching and counselling are required. The ability to lead, explore and encourage others in reaching and showing Christ's compassion to the community and within the congregation will be necessary skills. Possessing an understanding of relevant social issues and an appreciation for the existence of differing viewpoints within a congregation will be important.

CONTACT

A cover letter with the completed CBOQ Ministry Information Profile (MIP) may be sent by September 18 to:

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Westview Baptist Church welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process.