

# Open Youth & Children's Ministries

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# **ILLINOIS**



We are beginning a staff search for an Associate Pastor of Family Ministry to join our ministry team with Adventure Christian Church in Bourbonnais, IL (a growing community south of Chicago)

Here's a link to the Associate Pastor of Family Ministries Job description and online application: <u>https://oneadventure.org/join-our-team</u>

WHO we're praying for... In addition to proven Character, a deep Calling to Ministry, a faithful Commitment to Christ and His Church, excelling leadership and equipping Competencies, and the Chemistry to serve well in a passionate, purpose-driven and positive multiple staff... The best candidates for joining our ministry team are... - emerging leaders seeking to deepen and develop their leadership with an experienced ministry leadership team - leaders energized by our journey, doing ministry in a non-traditional church environment

We're not necessarily searching for those who may be currently looking for a ministry change, but for those you sense would be a good fit for Children's ministry in a non-traditional church environment.

THANKS for giving me some of your time and I appreciate your prayers for Adventure. If you have any thoughts... reply to this message OR or give me a call at 815-690-5589.

Adventure Christian Church - Join our Team!

Posted 7/2024



Full Time Student Minister Congregation Size: 250 Salary Range: Negotiable Education: Prefer college graduate Email: <u>nate@lakeridgechurch.org</u> Web: <u>www.lakeridgechurch.org</u> Experience sought: preferred but not necessary Parsonage: none Location: East central Illinois, rural Phone: 217-465-5614 Send resume to: Lake Ridge Christian Church Attn: Nate Alexander

Attn: Nate Alexander PO Box 578 Paris, IL 69144

Note: Looking for a person who has a passion for young people, as they will be responsible for overseeing 6th-12th grade. Someone who wants to pour into these young people lives by teaching them God's Word, supporting their everyday lives, and by connecting with them in relationships. We have 4 other staff that work alongside each other and many active volunteers to help with this ministry. This individual is also responsible for recruiting, training, and coordinating volunteers within the student ministry and oversees

the curriculum and teaching materials. The leadership puts strong emphasis on the youth of the church and provides many resources to carry out these ministries.

Any questions or want a job description please contact the email above

# **INDIANA**



### Job Description for Student Minister

### Purpose:

The minister of youth will direct and lead the student ministries of Centerville Christian Church. This includes oversight of all discipleship ministries from Grade 6 through College. He will work closely with other Next Gen and Family Ministries staff and leaders. He will give pastoral leadership to families with teens/young adults and build/lead programs that seek to strengthen their commitment to Christ and His church and promote participation in the body of Christ. He will give special attention to Students (grades 6-12) and their families. He will serve other ministries as needs and interest arise. He will seek in his philosophy of ministry to heed the greatest commandment, which is to love God and love people with head (mind), heart, and hands (strength).

#### **Qualifications:**

1. Must share the ministry vision values as set by the senior minister and elders. 2. Must be committed to the **core values** of CCC staff which include:

#### Servanthood:

- Must set an example of service by consistently serving others.
- Must engage in church-wide community service opportunities.
- Must be committed to placing the needs of the team (church staff and volunteer staff) ahead of self.
- Must be committed to cultivating team ministry and equipping volunteers to serve.

#### Community:

• Must demonstrate leadership, effective people skills, and a consistent desire and ability to train and liberate others to minister.

• Must be a real team player who thrives on interaction and works well with others.

#### Involvement:

- Must be consistently present in regular CCC worship, fellowship, and study opportunities.
- Must lead by example in doing the things he asks others to do.

#### Integrity:

• Must manage his own household well, love his wife (if applicable) as Christ loved the church, and bring his children (if applicable) up in the

nurture and admonition of the Lord.

- Must be above reproach in his dealings with the community.
- Must not be motivated by any desire for personal glory or status.
- Must demonstrate transparency, integrity, consistency, and truth in his ministry.

#### Growth:

• Must diligently seek a vital and growing personal relationship with the Lord. He will develop character by being committed to being a student of scripture, a man of prayer, and pursuer of righteousness as a man of integrity.

• Must be continually pursuing personal growth in Christ and exercise of personal gifts and abilities.

• Must be committed to life-long learning as he seeks to be an expert in his field. This will include but is not limited to regularly reading materials related to his role as well as conferences at least once every two years.

### Specific responsibilities:

1. Develop, promote, and coordinate a balanced program of activities and discipleship ministry to students (grades 6-12).

• Create **outreach** programs, activities, and events.

• Plan **spiritual growth** programs, activities, and events that include opportunities for students to worship, fellowship with each other, engage in Christian service and outreach, and learn Bible truths and apply them to their lives.

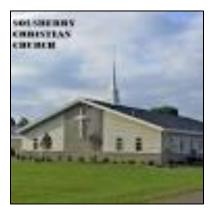
- 2. Recruit and train **adult leaders** to help you fulfill your purpose.
- Offer and promote support and training for parents.
- Connect students with older, Godly mentors which you are equipping.
- Build your team with consistent training and equipping.
- Duplicate yourself via training of key student and adult leaders.

3. Build and maintain **relationships** with students and adults, both churched and unchurched. • Meet regularly with students from the church.

- Seek out opportunities for interaction with unchurched students.
- Seek out opportunities to be visible and participate in the lives of both churched and unchurched students at schools, sports events, and in the community.

Direct our Well 4:14 after school program to integrate lost students into the kingdom, establishing discipleship with them, and integrating them into the life of the church.
Be available for counseling.
Assist with other ministry opportunities as needed based on Spiritual giftings and ability/ experience.
Examples may include: discipleship, tech, outreach, involvement, Lifewise Academy, etc.

Contact: wes@centervillechurch.com>



# Solsberry Christian Church

<u>10825 E Christian Church Rd</u> <u>Solsberry, IN 47459</u> Title of Position: Associate Minister of Youth

My contact info: <u>mark.eckerle@yahoo.com</u> Church website: <u>https://www.solsberrycc.com/</u>

Info about our church:

<u>SCC Mission Statement</u> To Love God and Love People. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12: 30, 31

<u>SCC Vision Statement</u> To Help People Become More Like Jesus Every Day. "Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. Live a life filled with love, following the example of Christ." Ephesians 5:1,2a

<u>A Brief History</u> SCC was founded in 1914. In 1916, the congregation built its first building in Solsberry. In 1963, the congregation moved to a new location (current location) and built a new worship and education facility.

In 1970, the church hired its first full-time minister. During his tenure, Sunday morning attendance rose from around 100 to more than 150. During the ensuing 20+ years, attendance rose and ebbed with high's in the 160-180 range in the late 1980's and lows around 120-30 range early 1990's.

In 2000, the congregation broke ground on a new worship/auditorium facility that was completed in 2002. A stewardship program preceded the building project that raised ½ of the \$650,000 cost of the facility. The remaining loan balance was paid off in less than 3 years.

In 2016, SCC engaged David Vaughan, Senior Minister at Whitewater Crossing Christian Church, as a consultant to lead us through a church health survey project. Pastor Vaughan continues to provide consulting advice as SCC implements the recommendations that resulted from the survey project.

The average annual attendance for the prior ten years was 153 – 177 for 6 years pre-Covid. 2020/Covid year was 97, and subsequent rebuilding years 113, 134, 139. The last four months average was 147. Children's worship/pre-K (6<sup>th</sup> grade and below) average around 15% of total attendance. More than 400 people likely refer to SCC as their "home church".

<u>Elders, Deacons and Leaders</u> SCC currently has five elders and the senior minister serves as a preaching elder. The elders reach agreement on issues through prayer, analysis, and discussion and more prayer. continued

In matters of significance, a decision is not taken unless the elders are unified in purpose and thought. The elders will often consult with the staff, deacons and other ministry leaders in the church on significant issues.

SCC has four men who serve as deacons. SCC is in the process of identifying other qualified men to serve as elders or deacons. With the addition of new deacons, the elders are committed to a transition from the more traditional role to a more Biblical, Acts 6 ministry-leader role, for the deacons.

<u>Staff</u> SCC employed a Senior Minister, Associate Minister of Youth, a part-time children's ministry coordinator, a part-time worship coordinator, a part-time media director, secretary and college interns from time-to-time.

**Facilities** The congregation owns 11 acres of property on the east side of Solsberry. The church presently has approximately 17,000 square feet of worship, fellowship, and education space. Current paved and gravel parking lots have approximately 140 designated parking spaces, with grass overflow areas capable of handling another 30 vehicles. Both the auditorium and Fellowship Hall are equipped with multi-channel soundboards, video/data projectors, computers, and DVD capabilities. **Worship** The congregation moved from traditional piano/organ-driven hymn singing in the early-middle 1990's to a blended worship style. The worship team currently consists of 3 – 4 singers, electric piano, electric bass, electric guitar, electric drums, and acoustic/rhythm guitar.

<u>Location</u> Solsberry is a rural community located approximately 15 miles, and 20-25 minutes southwest of Bloomington (home of Indiana University). It is about an hour and 15 minutes from Indianapolis, about 2 hours from Evansville, and about 2 hours from Louisville.

**Community** The Solsberry community is part of Eastern Greene County, Indiana. Greene County is one of the largest and poorest counties in Indiana. Because of Solsberry's proximity to both Bloomington/Indiana University and the CRANE Naval Surface Warfare facility (15 minutes to the south) the community includes a wide socio-economic cross-section ranging from families that live in abject poverty to families that live in substantial prosperity, interspersed throughout the community. Some demographic data that a church growth consultant gathered for SCC in the early 1990's indicated that approximately 5,000 souls live within a 10-mile radius from Solsberry.

<u>Schools</u> Because there is no incorporated town or city in Eastern Greene County, the Eastern Greene Schools are the activity hub and focal point of the community. The Eastern Greene High school (grades 9 - 12) is located approximately ¼ miles from the combined Middle School (grades 6 - 8) and Elementary School (K- 5) facility. The school is as open and receptive to area churches, youth ministers, and student organized faith-based activities (e.g. See You at the Pole). The school corporation enrolls approximately 1,300 students in K – 12 and is in Class 2A for all high school sports except football (1A).

### Job Description:

<u>Leadership</u>

§ Model and promote Biblical values and principles, in a manner consistent with core principles of Independent Christian/Restoration Movement Churches

§ Guide the youth ministry leaders and teams in promoting a ministry based on Biblical principles

§ Communicate God's Word with clarity, compassion, boldness, and passion

§ Actively participate in elder and deacon meetings, providing input and counsel in matters relating to youth ministry and other aspects of the overall ministry efforts of the church

### <u>Evangelism</u>

§ Lead and equip God's young people in becoming Disciples and Kingdom Workers who are intentional about sharing Christ's love and His story with people as a habit of life

§ Provide overall vision, direction and development for youth ministries through discipleship/small group and evangelistic outreach ministries

§ Actively participate in school functions, direct student outreach on campus (Middle, High School) in the community, and missionary outreach activities

Ministry/Leadership Development

§ Encourage and equip those committed to youth ministry to become more effective servants and shepherds/mentors to developing and growing Christ-followers

§ Provide oversight of youth ministry team leaders, including youth ministry interns and part-time volunteer or paid youth director

§ Integrate youth program with adult ministry program in coordination with Sr. Minister, children's ministry coordinator and ministry team leaders

§ Develop more inter-generational experiences for youth and adults

§ Attend classes and workshops for professional growth

### Worship

§ Provide vision and direction to the youth worship services in coordination with worship director, children's ministry coordinator and Sr. minister

§ Provide guidance to, and ensure collaboration with, those who lead youth worship

§ Work closely with Senior Minister, children's ministry coordinator and Worship Coordinator to create regular involvement of youth in Sunday morning worship

### Pastoral Care

§ Develop an effective member-minister pastoral care team among the youth and their families

§ Build relationships with youth and parents where they are, i.e. sporting events, school/community projects, church events, concerts, conferences etc.

§ Actively engage in outreach and relationship-building with students, staff, and faculty of community schools

§ Actively participate in pastoral and evangelistic calls in cooperation/coordination with the Senior Minister, elders, and deacons

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Administration and Staff Matters

§ Work closely with, and under the day-to-day supervision of, the senior minister to develop a wellcoordinated team approach to youth ministry within the overall framework of the congregation's purpose and mission

§ Effectively organize and provide general direction for the Youth ministry leaders, coordinators, and staff (interns, part-time ministry directors, etc.)

§ Guide in developing policies and procedures that impact youth ministry

§ Coordinate the use of facilities for youth events, activities and meetings with ministry staff and church office

§ Commitment to living a balanced life, seeking to live a life consistent with the "above reproach" requirements as set forth in I Timothy 3:1-12 and Titus 1:5-9

§ Undergraduate or graduate degree in youth/children's ministry or related field from a Restoration Movement or doctrinally comparable Bible college/university or seminary

§ 3 years of previous youth ministry experience

§ Education focus on youth ministry

§ Ability to maintain consistent work schedule, effort levels, and time commitments consistent with a professional staff position

§ Position requires a minimum of 40 hours per week, with expectations that 45 – 50 hours may be required during certain times of year or seasons of ministry

§ Experience in building relationships with students, staff, and faculty in community schools

§ Willingness to participate in an extended ministry tenure of at least 3 – 5 years

# MICHIGAN



## **Algonac Church of Christ**

The Algonac Church of Christ is currently seeking a qualified candidate to serve as Youth Minister. This position may be filled immediately upon due process.

The Algonac Church of Christ is an instrumental congregation grounded in biblically sound doctrine consistent with the tenets of the Restoration Movement. Located in southeast Michigan about an hour from Detroit along the banks of the beautiful Saint Clair River, The ACoC is a congregation of roughly 125 people.

We are seeking a candidate who:

- is a spiritually mature Christian; ·
- lives an exemplary moral life consistent with biblical teaching; ·
- believes that the Bible is the inspired word of God and the authoritative standard of our lives; ·
- possesses thorough knowledge of the Bible as exhibited by the fact that he holds a degree from an accredited Bible College or possesses ministry experience that would indicate his ability to adequately teach and disciple the youth of the congregation; ·
- is a gifted teacher/mentor who has the ability to effectively communicate God's word and raise up, disciple, and work closely with other leaders; ·
- sincerely loves people and is willing to invest in building relationships within the congregation and community;  $\cdot$
- has a heart for the lost and a desire to lead young Christians to effectively reach out to and share the gospel with people in the community; ·
- possesses the humility and desire to work closely with the church's elders and other leaders of the church.

Minimum of 1 year teaching and working in ministry required. Salary, etc., is negotiable depending on candidate's credentials and experience. Housing is provided. If interested in applying, please submit resume' with brief cover letter to <a href="mailto:accsecretary@yahoo.com">accsecretary@yahoo.com</a>

Posted August 2024



# Pleasant View Church of Christ

Cassopolis, Michigan

Is searching for a fulltime YOUTH & CHILDREN'S MINISTER

The Youth Minister's primary objective is to oversee all youth related programs (grades K-12<sup>th</sup>) within the church. He will work directly with the Senior Minister under the oversight of the Elders and Leadership Team to provide Spiritual support & direction to the youth entrusted to his care. He will set a Christ-like example for them and their families in life, in love, in speech, in faith, and in purity. He will seek to glorify the Lord in word and deed at all times.

- 1. He will be responsible for and supervise all weekly youth programs at Pleasant View.
  - a. Sunday Mornings **Sunday School** (all ages Pre K thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade)
  - b. Sunday Mornings Children's Church (Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade)
  - c. Sunday Nights Team Impact (Jr. High 6<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> and Sr. High 9<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>)
  - d. Wednesday Nights Kid's Klub (grades K thru 5<sup>th</sup>)
- 2. He will work with the Youth Committee to select appropriate curriculum compatible with all youth programs and review current & future programs.
- 3. He will actively recruit sponsors, workers, and teachers.
- 4. He will report directly to the Senior Minister.
- 5. He will meet with the Senior Minister once a week to plan their schedules and for prayer.
- 6. He will assist Senior Minister when necessary, with calling, worship services, and such.
- 7. He will keep regular office hours in the mornings 9:00 a.m. to 12 noonAfternoons & Evenings: a) will be used for calling on the youth and their parents at home

b) attend the activities of the youth and other things as needed.

- 8. He will be responsible for planning social activities on a regular basis. at least once a month for each age group if possible.
- 9. Have a written report prepared for the monthly Leadership Team meetings.
- 10. Contribute youth news monthly for the church newsletter.
- 11. He will prepare a yearly report for the annual congregational meeting each Fall.
- 12. He will oversee the set up the summer V.B.S. program and choose a co-director to work with him.
- 13. He will be actively involved in the church's van ministry and local school ministry.
- 14. He will be one of Pleasant View's Camp Boosters for Michiana Christian Camp in Niles, MI.
- 15. He will be encouraged to serve at one week of camp at MCSC each Summer(the particular camp

week & age group will be by his choice)

- 16. He will continue to work with the Leaders in developing vision plans for future growth.
- 17. He will perform other duties as directed by the Sr. Minister, the Eldership and the Church Leadership Team.
- 18. He will be given opportunity to preach occasionally on Sunday mornings.
- 19. He will strive at all times to be an encourager and positive supporter of the Church of Christ and Christian Churches of the Restoration Movement.

Interested Candidates should contact Pleasant View Church of Christ 60550 Crooked Creek Road, Cassopolis MI 49031 Phone: 269-445-2655 Email: pvcoc.cass@gmail.com

# PENNSYLVANIA

Lycoming Christian Church is seeking an individual to fill and full-time position as Minister of Children, Youth, and Young Adults. The individual needs a Christian College degree who can work in cooperation with the leadership team to encourage spiritual growth in our church family and especially with the children, youth, and young adults. The individual would create activities and develop programs for teens to promote fun, fellowship, and spiritual development as well as planning, developing, coordinating, and implementing programs for younger children. To receive an application and information packet, please send your request to <u>officelcc68@gmail.com</u> or a request letter to:

Lycoming Christian Church Attention: Bonnie Williams 20 Chapel Hill Road Linden, PA 17744

# <u>UTAH</u>



**Impact Campus Ministries** is seeking to hire a full-time Associate Campus Minister for our Impact Salt Lake City Team. Our campus ministries are built on the premise that true success is developing "intimacy with God" (a personal, real, dynamic relationship with God through faith in Jesus). We do this by pursuing it ourselves, modeling it,

and purposefully teaching it to university students across America.

The focus of this job is making sincere connections with students, motivating and inspiring them to pursue Jesus Christ. The ministry in Salt Lake City recognizes that this type of discipleship happens over time, through investing in relationships with students. We are looking for someone who values this type of "slow and steady" approach. This person should have a high value of Scripture. Participation in a local church congregation is strongly encouraged. We want someone who is willing to learn and adapt to challenges and difficulties, recognizing that ministering in this culture is unique. We prefer someone with an understanding of the beliefs of the LDS Church and a sensitivity to how it shapes the culture of the area.

Our team in Salt Lake City ministers to a large population of international students and we are looking for someone who is excited to engage with a diverse group of people. The right candidate should be able to manage multiple projects at once. Strong communication skills, decision-making skills, and the ability to take initiative and be self-directed are critical to accomplishing the goals of this role. We are looking for someone who will think creatively about ministry, willing to plan activities and events to engage students. A willingness to raise funds is required. This position has the opportunity for advancement. The University of Utah was founded in 1850.\_ It is the oldest university in the entire intermountain west. With over 33,000 students, the school continues to build new dorms to encourage students to live on campus and experience college life. The University of Utah excels with majors such as nursing, engineering, entrepreneurship, gaming, and business. It's a highly rated research university.

#### REQUIREMENTS

I Full-time preferred; part-time to full-time transition possible

Example of Christian character, leading a life sustained by spiritual growth through spiritual practices
 Minimum of a bachelor's degree; some experience in campus ministry, Christian discipleship, and donor development preferred

I Understands and has a respect for the Church, specifically the Restoration/Stone-Campbell Movement

2 Can work independently as well as in a team environment

Willing to raise financial support\*

2 Willing to work some nights and weekends

I Employment is contingent on the successful completion of a background check

#### OFFERINGS

I Training and coaching in support raising

P Benefits

Professional and spiritual formation support

Estimated compensation (salary and benefits): \$37,000 – \$96,000 (adjusted for hours and experience)

\*As an Impact Campus Ministries staff member, you will be responsible for actively participating in the organization's fundraising efforts. Ministry partner development, also called support raising or fundraising, is both an organizational and personal responsibility. Every employee, including the president, is given a personal fundraising goal, along with tools and training to help them reach it. As part of the fundraising, you will be asked to develop ministry partners from your personal network. In addition, you will be asked to use your unique skills and experience to help the organization meet its overall fundraising goals. By developing your network and adding your skills to organizational efforts, we will be able to continue to engage and mentor students across American universities.