**Assistant Pastor for Youth & Worship**

**HARVEST CHURCH**

**CROOKSTON, MN**

***OPEN TO GOD – DEEPER IN CHRIST – FORWARD IN MISSION***

**Current Search:** Applications currently being accepted as of 11-15-24, see application options and contacts at the end of this document.

**Statement Of Identity:**

“HARVEST CHURCH – WHERE YOU CAN MEET JESUS CHRIST PERSONALLY THROUGH GOD’S WORD AND THROUGH FELLOWSHIP WITH PEOPLE WHO HAVE PLACED THEIR LIVES IN HIS CARE”

**Position Description:**

Assistant Pastor for Youth & Worship (APYW) shall have responsibility to oversee the activities and the spiritual care of the Senior/Junior High Youth programs of the church. Leadership, organization, and coordination of the praise and worship teams may fit for some candidates. The APYW shall work harmoniously and in close cooperation with the senior Pastor, parents, Church Board, Church youth, C.E. Committee, support staff, music teams, and volunteers.

**Position Responsibilities:**

* Disciple and foster Christian growth in our youth
* Develop and carry out weekly youth Jr. / Sr. High programming and planning and implementing monthly Senior High activities
* Meet weekly with the Pastor for prayer, planning, and Church ministry coordination
* Prepare verbal and written reports, as needed, for Church Board meetings
* Maintain consistent contact with the youth utilizing social media as appropriate
* Be available for individual meetings and/or counseling with youth as needed
* Support our Bluewater Covenant Bible Camp ministry by volunteering at BCBC at least two weeks of youth camps each summer
* Coordinate youth participation in events such as Unite, MUUUCE, BCBC retreats, etc.
* Be involved and visible at school and community youth events
* Organize and facilitate worship team, schedules, practices, and preparations
* Active participation in worship services
* Recruit people into ministry areas to suit their gifts (music, drama, serving, etc.)
* Promote youth involvement with Missions, BCBC, and the RRV Churches
* Protect time with family, to model a balanced Christian life
* Other duties as assigned.

**Required Qualifications:**

* Love Youth, and have a passion for Youth Ministry
* Genuine Christian conversion with a solid commitment to Christ and a growing walk of discipleship
* Desire to lead our youth closer to Christ
* Willingness to provide and take direction
* Flexibility
* Excellent time management and organizational skills
* Ability to coordinate and manage the youth budget
* Passion for worship and music ministry

**Preferred Qualifications:**

* Youth Ministry Degree or related degree
* Experience working with Youth in a paid or volunteer capacity
* Gifted with solid music skills

**Supervision:**

* The APYW is directly supervised by the senior Pastor

**Search Description:**

Harvest Church is an Evangelical Covenant Church located in Crookston, MN, a town of about 8,000 people. Our church is located directly across from Crookston High School and within walking distance of the University of Minnesota, Crookston. We are a member church of the Northwest Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church denomination and Bluewater Covenant Bible Camp located in Grand Rapids, MN. The church currently has an active youth group of about 20-40 junior and senior high youth attending our Wednesday evening weekly youth meetings.

**Terms of Employment and current search:**

* Salaried Position
* Insurance – negotiable
* Paid vacation – two weeks each year
* Applications currently being accepted as of 11-15-24
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