

# First Baptist Church of Ashland JOB DESCRIPTION - OVERTIME: Exempt

JOB TITLE:	Youth Pastor
CLASSIFICATION:	Full Time
DATE:	July 15, 2024

## VISION, MISSION & PURPOSE OF THE POSITION:

Vision: A dedicated Youth Pastor who is willing to do what it takes to be effective for God's kingdom with young people; one who builds and facilitates programs that foster discipleship and promote God's kingdom, and who can convey Biblical truth to the younger generations.

Mission: Primarily to mentor youth as the church builds disciples and grows, while also engaging the community to attract more disciples who are dedicated to God's Kingdom.

Purpose: The purpose is to guide and mentor the younger generations of this church and connect them to appropriate ministry areas that the Youth Pastor would facilitate. Preparing for growth is a very important aspect of discipleship in our church body, and the Youth Pastor helps plan for and facilitate growth for our teenagers and young families.

## SUMMARY:

The position's primary emphasis is on growing our youth and encouraging families in relational closeness to Christ.

The Youth Pastor reports directly to the Teaching Pastor. It is the desire of FBC Ashland to make disciples and the Youth Pastor will be responsible for strategically planning, preparing, and implementing ways in which our current youth and their families will grow in relational closeness to Christ so as to engage and draw in members of the community who will see the love of Christ here at FBC Ashland and thereby be transformed.

The Youth Pastor will assist our Teaching Pastor with oversight for our volunteer children's ministry director, volunteers, and children's ministry and other various ministry programs, and will also work in outreach to the community.

The Youth Pastor may be required to help in different facets of outreach as needed by various church ministries.

## ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

### Responsibilities:

- Serve as youth and family advocate, educating the congregation about the needs of the youth and young families within our congregation and community
- Collaborate with church leadership and volunteers in planning, developing, and implementing balanced and dynamic youth ministries that grow our congregation closer to Jesus

- Recognize spiritual giftings of members in our congregation
- Recruit and train volunteers
- Oversee and implement FBC's child protection policies and practices relating to safety for children, volunteers, and staff
- Regularly communicate with church leadership, staff, parents, and congregation in a professional and timely manner
- Be able to fill in to teach Biblically sound sermons and Bible studies as assigned by the Teaching Pastor
- Be willing to serve in many different facets of outreach
- Perform other ministry tasks and duties as assigned by the Teaching Pastor

#### JOB QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Education: Bible college or seminary degree preferred but may be waived in lieu of 3-5 years of paid or volunteer ministry experience.

Experience: We prefer an individual with at least 3-5 years of experience working with youth as a paid or volunteer mentor, counselor, or Youth Pastor. We would also like this individual to have biblical teaching experience in some sort of corporate worship setting, such as: preaching, church sanctioned Bible studies, Sunday school classes, or teaching biblical messages to youth.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS/LICENSES: Possession of valid Oregon drivers license (or ability to obtain) and acceptable driving record.

#### DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

- A vibrant personal faith in the person of Jesus Christ that aligns with FBC's doctrinal statement and mission statement
- Teachable, with a humble servant's attitude
- Meets the character qualifications of elder as stated in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1
- A love for youth and young families with a desire to make disciples
- A person with vision and organizational skills to strengthen and expand our youth and young family programs
- A strong set of soft (relational) skills so as to effectively and lovingly communicate with people from all different walks of life
- Strong knowledge of God's Word and the ability to teach it to youth and young families.
- A Team player with the ability to encourage and collaborate with staff and volunteers
- Computer literate

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS OF POSITION:

This position works primarily in an office and classroom environment but occasionally will work with youth on approved programs outside the church and/or travel to other locations for sanctioned activities.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

Position is provided office space and equipment as needed to perform assigned duties.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Leads and directs youth program staff and volunteers as needed in the performance of the programs assigned. Provides training and orientation to new youth program staff and volunteers.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED:

Supervised and evaluated by the Teaching Pastor.