



## **Whitby Free Methodist Church**

### **Job Summary:**

### **Pastor of Children and their Families**

Whitby Free Methodist is a growing congregation in the city of Whitby, Ontario, east of Toronto. We are located in a residential suburb with many young families, and there is great potential for outreach. We are currently looking for a pastor to lead, develop, and re-establish our children's ministry as we come through the pandemic.

The Pastor of Children & their Families will provide leadership, vision, and direction that creates a life-giving atmosphere of vibrant discipleship and enticing programs for the children, parents, and children's ministry team of Whitby Free Methodist Church. This includes direct responsibility for the WFMC children's program and its volunteers. Ultimately, the purpose is to glorify God through providing excellent children's programs for their spiritual formation.

Our ideal candidate will have the following skills:

- Exceptional leadership and communication skills,
- Superior interpersonal skills working with a variety of people from parents to children,
- Solid theological grounding and creativity in kids' ministry curriculum development,
- Positive attitude and approach to problem solving. Must be solution oriented,
- Computer competency and/or ability to learn quickly (including these primary applications: Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel), Canva, Google Docs, etc.,
- Demonstrates creativity, enthusiasm, being a team player, caring, a proven self-starter and a love for children & their families,
- Willingness to continue to study and grow in knowledge and practical ministry strategies current with culture, trends, and societal changes and,
- Demonstration in his/her personal life of an obvious love for Jesus Christ. This love will be reflected in his/her lifestyle choices, attitudes, and goals.

### **Qualifications:**

**Education-** diploma or degree in Child and Youth Work, and pastoral ministry education, or currently pursuing pastoral training.

**Experience-** Minimum of 2 years working with children in Christian Education, public schools or a private organization, or pastoring children in a Christian setting.

**Key Responsibilities and Assigned Duties:**

The responsibilities for this position lie in five key areas:

- A. Oversee Children's ministry at WFMC
- B. Oversee Children's Families ministry
- C. Administration, including managing the Plan to Protect program
- D. Participate in the preaching rotation
- E. Participate fully in WFMC's church life and relevant denominational activities of the Free Methodist Church in Canada

**To apply:**

Send resume to: [personnel@whitbyfmc.ca](mailto:personnel@whitbyfmc.ca)