

GRACE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH of MARKHAM

SENIOR PASTOR Vacancy Announcement

Application Acceptance Period: Through June 30, 2019

Grace Missionary Baptist Church of Markham, Illinois (GMBC), is now seeking a full-time pastor to succeed our current pastor, who is retiring. Located approximately 27 miles from downtown Chicago in the southern suburb communities rich in cultural and ethnic diversity. We seek a servant leader committed to preaching and teaching; whose life bears testimony of divine calling and gifts for ministry; and one who expositors biblical principles and scripture in dynamic, creative and insightful ways to our membership. The history of Grace Missionary Baptist church includes many stories of how God's grace, shared through the ministries and people of this church has been life-changing. Our leader must have an effective ability to communicate well prepared sermons along with proven leadership and administrative skills. Progressive, visionary leadership will help our church fulfill its mission role in the broader community.

GMBC was established in 1980, and though we've seen many changes, we are a close knit church with an average membership of 125 members participating in diverse ways. At the same time, the church is ready to grow deeper and wider. As a result of years of planning and good stewardship, God has blessed GMBC to sit on 3 acres of land, with facilities of 10,000 square feet designed for ministry and worship.

Our Vision for the future of GMBC is to see:

- > Life changing preaching and teaching that is biblical, relevant and challenging.*
- > Our church empower the next generation of godly servant-leadership.*
- > Needs driven ministries that respond with Christ-like compassion in the community and world.*

Our Mission is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ; uphold the beliefs of the Christian faith, and to make disciples for Christ in the community to impact the world for Christ.

Candidate Requirements:

Minimum Requirements

- 1. Must possess a Degree from an accredited college, university or seminary.*
- 2. Must be a licensed Baptist minister and duly ordained in the Baptist Church.*
- 3. Senior Pastor experience is preferred, but five years or more successful experience as a pastor in a significant denominational leadership position will be considered.*
- 4. Married.*

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Final candidates selected for further consideration will be notified and asked to provide additional information in the selection process. Final candidates must consent to reference checks, a criminal history background check, drug screening test, and a credit/financial history review (performed through an outside agency to ensure complete confidentiality).

All information presented will be treated as **CONFIDENTIAL**.

SUBMISSION: All interested persons wishing to be considered must submit a candidate packet consisting of the following:

- Cover letter
- Current Resume (which includes a summary of relevant ministry professional and educational experiences and three (3) References)
- CD or DVD of a sermon delivered within the past 6 months

MAIL PACKETS TO:

**Pastoral Search Committee
Post Office Box 154
Olympia Fields, IL 60461- 0154**

(Receipt of your submission will be acknowledged in writing)

Candidate Packets must be postmarked by: June 30, 2019.

For additional information or questions, please submit your request in writing to the Pastoral Search Committee, to the address above.

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE