Decatur, IL - Pastor - New Salem Baptist Church

Pastor Search Announcement for

New Salem Baptist church 1415 N. Edward St Decatur, IL 62526 Velma_mabry@sbcglobal.net

Application deadline is June 1, 2012

Pastoral Candidates must meet the following criteria:

- The pastor we are praying for and asking God to send to us is one who is a born-again, spirit filled and a good role model of Christian moral and ethical conduct. He must be divinely called by God to lead New Salem Baptist church, according to God's will and purpose and possess the skill and vision to shape New Salem to be more effective in the 21st century.
- The pastor must have a dedicated committed life to Christ and should reflect the leadership of the Holy Spirit in all he says and does.
- We hope the pastor will have a burning zeal to minister to and nurture each member of the church as well as the congregation as a whole to Christian maturity.
- Will provide the proper administration of the sacraments of the Lord's Supper, Baptisms, funerals, weddings, etc.
- He will visit the sick and shut-in members of the church.
- Make himself available for counseling of the congregants.
- We prefer the pastor be a seminary graduate with a college degree and a Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent.
- The pastor <u>must</u> be an ordained Baptist Minister and be thoroughly committed to the doctrines, covenant and practices of the Baptist Church.
- The Pastor must be a spiritual guide. He must be willing to work with all age groups with a particular interest in the spiritual growth and development of our children, youth and young adults.
- The pastor must be thoroughly prepared to develop and preach sermons and must be equipped to teach.
- Must be skilled in administration of the church and have knowledge of all aspects of the ministry of the church, all ministry leaders, and administrative staff and support personnel.

- Must be in the age range of 40 50's.
- Must have at least 6 years plus of pastoral experience.
- Our preference is that the pastor be married with or without children.
- The pastor would be expected to reside in Decatur, IL.
- While these are our hopes and expectations, we are open to negotiations in some of these matters.

All candidates should provide the following information:

- Letter on interest
- Current resume
- At least 3 references with
 - Letters
 - o Address and phone numbers

All materials should be forwarded to:

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