

PASTORAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT



Position: Full-time Pastor

Closing Date: December 21, 2022

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Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church (GMZBC) is seeking a full-time pastor, called by God, who will be the spiritual leader of the congregation. The pastor is responsible to God and the church to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, to teach the Bible, and to provide Christian leadership to all areas of the church and engage in pastoral care for the congregation.

ABOUT US

Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church (GMZBC) is a multigenerational church whose purpose is to be Christlike in all that we do. We were established in 1974 and is affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Virginia. GMZBC is in the South Norfolk community of Chesapeake, Virginia. We are “A Church in the heart of the community with the community at heart, seeking to transform the world through the Word and our Deeds.”

We are actively seeking a Senior Pastor whom God has chosen to lead us into the future. We prayerfully await the holy, faithful shepherd that God has prepared to guide this Branch of Zion into further building His kingdom and serving all people.

QUALIFICATIONS

- An undergraduate degree from an accredited college or seminary. (Must provide evidence)
- A post graduate degree from and accredited college or seminary. (Must provide evidence)
- A ministry and ordination certificate from a constituted Baptist Church, (Must provide evidence)
- A minimum of 3 years of Pastoral experience at a constituted Baptist Church. (Must provide proof)
- Substantial knowledge and experience in the field of church administration, management, and organizational leadership.
- A diligent and conscientious student of God's Word and shall have unquestionable integrity and moral character.
- Must possess: Christian character, temperate in nature, caring, compassion for the flock, consideration for others' feelings, good communication skills (oral and written), humble in spirit, and any other aspects of good Christian character (*Titus 1:5-9*), (*1st Peter 5:2-3*)

PASTORAL DUTIES

The following are the primary duties to be performed by the pastor:

- Serve as Senior Pastor
- Plan and conduct worship services
- The Pastor shall establish regular office hours consistent with the needs of the congregation.
- The Pastor shall serve as "The Chair" for all Church Conferences and Meetings.
- The Pastor shall receive and cast vision, conduct, religious services on regular and special occasions, provide Pastoral counseling, administer the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, minister to the members of the church, insure there is visitation of the sick and shut-in, hospitalized, and bereaved, and perform other duties that normally are the responsibility of the Pastor.
- The pastor is expected to be a consistent tither to Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church.
- The Pastor shall conduct other public services, such as weddings, dedications of infants and children, funerals, and all rites and ordinances of the church; except as otherwise provide herein.
- The Pastor shall meet individually with the church's leadership (**Deacons/Stewards**) to discuss matters of concern of the church.
- The Pastor shall maintain full time employment at the church, and be responsible for all related laws, regulations and ordinances associated with employment.
- The Pastor shall notify the Chairman of the Diaconate Ministry of any planned or unplanned absences from the church and be responsible for ensuring the pulpit is properly serviced during his/her absence.

HOW TO APPLY

All interested and qualified persons may fill out an application at www.greatermtzion.org or by email at gmzbcpsc2@gmail.com.

Please submit:

- Completed application
- Current resume which includes summary of relevant ministry, professional and educational experiences
- Copies of degrees containing official seals
- Copy of Ordination Certificate
- Two (2) sample sermons (a DVD is preferred, and/or a CD recording of recent sermons) and two (2) Bible studies; or if the sermons and Bible studies are available via the internet, please provide the link
- Three (3) letters of recommendation (one letter from each-clergy, layperson, and personal acquaintance)

Submission:

GMZBCPSC2@GMAIL.COM

Or

Submit the candidate package by mail to:

Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church
Attention: Pastoral Search Committee
P.O Box 9855
Virginia Beach, VA 23450