

Subject: Senior Pastor / Teacher Opportunity – Woodville Community Church (Michigan)

Dear Person of Interest

Grace and peace to you.

Woodville Community Church is prayerfully seeking a **Senior Pastor/Teacher** to shepherd, teach, and lead our congregation. We are reaching out to trusted ministry partners and leaders to ask for your prayers and assistance in identifying candidates whom God may be calling to serve in this role.

Woodville Community Church is a Christ-centered, Bible-believing congregation located in rural Michigan. Often described as “the little white country church on a hill,” our church family is made up of believers from surrounding communities who are committed to worship, sound biblical teaching, and serving one another in love. We desire a pastor who is devoted to Christ, grounded in Scripture, and called to faithfully preach and teach God’s Word.

The Senior Pastor will serve alongside our elders, providing spiritual leadership through:

- Expository, Spirit-led preaching and teaching
- Shepherding and pastoral care
- Leading prayer, outreach, and discipleship
- Equipping the congregation for ministry and service

We are seeking a man who meets the biblical qualifications of an elder, demonstrates a growing relationship with Jesus Christ, and affirms the doctrinal statement of Woodville Community Church. Ministerial training and pastoral experience are preferred.

We would be grateful if you would:

- Share this opportunity with qualified individuals
- Recommend potential candidates
- Keep our church in prayer as we seek God’s guidance

If you or someone you know may be interested, we would welcome the opportunity to provide additional information or receive a resume and testimony.

Thank you for your partnership in the gospel and for helping us seek the shepherd God has prepared for Woodville Community Church.

In Christ,

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Senior Pastor

Woodville Community Church

White Cloud, Michigan

Position Type: Full-Time

Pay Type: Competitive Salary

Woodville Community Church, a church family of approximately 136 individuals, is prayerfully seeking a full-time Senior Pastor who will faithfully preach the Word, shepherd the congregation, lead with vision, and help equip the church for renewed gospel mission in the community.

We are not merely seeking a pastor to maintain existing ministries. We are praying for a difference-maker — a spiritually mature shepherd-leader who loves Christ, loves the local church, and has a genuine burden to reach people with the gospel. The ideal candidate will be committed to biblical preaching, pastoral care, elder-led leadership, congregational health, evangelism, discipleship, and community engagement.

Our location near Big Rapids and Ferris State University provides a meaningful opportunity for gospel outreach among students, young adults, families, and the broader community. We desire a pastor who sees this opportunity, is excited by it, and can help mobilize the church to build relationships, serve our neighbors, and proclaim Christ with clarity, courage, and love.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Preach and teach the Word of God faithfully on a weekly basis, with expository preaching preferred.
- Serve alongside the elders in providing spiritual leadership, pastoral oversight, and care for the congregation.

- Help cast, clarify, and cultivate a healthy ministry vision for the church in partnership with the elders.
- Equip, encourage, and mobilize members to use their spiritual gifts in the life of the church and in witness to the surrounding community.
- Model and lead evangelistic outreach, helping the congregation grow in gospel witness, community engagement, and love for the lost.
- Help the church develop a greater presence in the surrounding community, including Big Rapids, Ferris State University, and the broader region.
- Lead and support ministries of prayer, discipleship, pastoral care, and congregational encouragement.
- Lead the weekly Wednesday night prayer meeting.
- Officiate baptisms, the Lord's Supper, weddings, and funerals.
- Provide pastoral care, biblical counseling, congregational visitation, and spiritual encouragement for individuals and families.
- Maintain appropriate availability for study, prayer, pastoral care, administration, leadership, and community engagement.

QUALIFICATIONS

- A clear testimony of faith and passionate devotion to Christ, His Word, His church, and His mission.
- Exemplifies the biblical leadership qualities of an elder/overseer as found in 1 Timothy 3:1–7, Titus 1:5–9, and 1 Peter 5:1–5.
- Agrees with and is able to teach in accordance with the doctrinal statement of Woodville Community Church.
- Demonstrates a sound understanding of biblical doctrine, pastoral ministry, church leadership, discipleship, and evangelism.
- Has a heart for shepherding people with humility, compassion, courage, patience, and biblical conviction.
- Is able to lead with vision, communicate clearly, and help the church move forward in unity and faithfulness.

- Has a passion for evangelism and a desire to help the church reach the surrounding community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Is willing to engage people outside the walls of the church and help the congregation do the same.
- Is committed to equipping the saints for the work of ministry and developing leaders within the church.
- Is competent in basic administrative, managerial, communication, and technological skills.
- Ministerial training, ordination, and 3–5 years of pastoral and preaching experience are preferred.

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

Woodville Community Church is located a few minutes west of Big Rapids, Michigan, home of Ferris State University. Big Rapids has a population of approximately 17,000 people when school is in session and provides a unique opportunity for ministry among college students, young adults, families, and long-time residents of the community.

The church is located about one hour north of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Our church family comes from all directions within a 50-mile radius, giving WCC both a rural community feel and a broad regional reach.

Woodville Community Church is that “little white country church on a hill” that many people picture — but we believe God has placed us here for more than maintaining a building or preserving a tradition. We desire to be a faithful, gospel-centered church that loves one another well and reaches outward with renewed purpose.

Local activities include college and high school sports, boating, fishing, canoeing, sledding, skiing, snowmobiling, hiking, horseback riding on designated trails, ATV riding on designated trails, and hunting.

ABOUT WOODVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Woodville Community Church has been meeting in the white church on the hill for over 85 years. Vacation Bible School has been held every summer since 1949, reflecting a long-standing commitment to children, families, and gospel ministry in the community.

In 2017, WCC adopted the AWANA program and recently added Dare 2 Share, reflecting a desire to disciple young people and encourage evangelistic witness. In 2018, Woodville Community Church became an independent, non-denominational ministry.

As we look to the future, we are praying for a pastor who will honor the faithful history of the church while helping lead us into a renewed season of health, discipleship, outreach, and mission. We believe there are meaningful opportunities before us, and we desire a pastor who will help equip our congregation to follow Christ faithfully and reach our community with the hope of the gospel.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Applicants should submit the following materials:

- Cover letter
- Resume
- Two personal references
- Two church or ministry references
- Link to recent sermons

Applications can be submitted by mail to:

Woodville Community Church
c/o Pastoral Search Committee
6206 N Pine Ave
White Cloud, MI 49349

Or by email to: psc.woodville@gmail.com



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PRAYER FOR PASTORAL SEARCH

WCC would greatly appreciate your prayers as we begin to search for our Senior Pastor Teacher.

In the next few weeks, we will be posting this position more broadly but because you are considered to be a special friend of WCC, the Committee and Board wanted to provide you with early notice and ask for your prayers and any referrals you might have.

We want God's will for our church, a pastor who will fit us perfectly, and who we will perfectly fit.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support!

"Then I will give you a shepherd after my own heart,
who will feed you with knowledge and understanding."

-Jeremiah 3:15

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