

## Associate Pastor of Youth, Children, and Families

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#### Job Description:

The Associate Pastor will provide staff support to shepherd and equip the saints of Abbeville First Baptist Church to launch out as Kingdom citizens to shine in a dark world. He will have the primary responsibility to develop, administer, and promote an effective and holistic student ministry that will evangelize, develop and equip students in the church and community to become devoted disciples of Jesus Christ. This will include the recruiting and training of lay leaders, as well as working with parents and others to ensure a successful student ministry. The age focus for this student ministry will be those from nursery through college and will also include responsibilities for ministering to the families of youth and children in the church and community. He will be under the direct supervision of the Senior Pastor, with guidance as needed from the Personnel Committee.

#### **Personal Responsibilities:**

- Evidence of a sincere and growing faith in Jesus Christ. Meeting the requirements of an elder found in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1.
- Maintains a vital and wholesome personal relationship with the Lord through daily Bible study and prayer.
- Maintains a good Christian witness in the community.
- Maintain proper priorities in the home and be the spiritual leader to the family (if married).
- Be committed to the overall mission, vision, and values of the First Baptist Church and adhere to the Baptist Faith and Message 2000.
- Ability to coordinate several ministry projects simultaneously.
- Be committed in stewardship by giving to First Baptist Church through tithes and offerings.
- Be committed to personal evangelism and endeavor to routinely share the Gospel and testimony with those in the community.

#### **Educational Requirements:**

Attempting Bachelor's Degree or earned Bachelor's Degree or higher

### **Specific Responsibilities:**

- Will provide overall leadership for Student ministry development at First Baptist Church.
- Serves to recommend and advise ministries and teams under his leadership as an ex-officio member.
- Partner with ministry leaders in planning and coordinating appropriate activities and annual trips that will provide opportunities for the students to enjoy and grow in their relationship with the Lord.
- Coordinate any fund-raising activities to support student activities not covered by the Church budget.
- Plan, coordinate, direct, and evaluate the kingdom effectiveness of the children and youth ministry of the church conducting special age group activities and programs appropriate for the spiritual, social, and emotional growth of children.
- Serve as a resource person to all leaders and workers in Children's Ministry and Nursery.
- Work with VBS Ministry to administer and coordinate our annual VBS.
- Study and recommend, in cooperation with the Pastor and appropriate children's leaders, changes needed in the children's division, such as organizational changes, space use changes, equipment and furnishing needs, and policies and procedures of operation.

### **Assist Senior Pastor:**

- Fulfill preaching duties in the absence of the Senior Pastor.
- (As requested) in the visitation and ministry to members and prospective members in homes, nursing care facilities, and hospitals.
- Conducting counseling sessions, performing wedding ceremonies, conducting funeral services and provide pulpit supply as requested.
- Communicating with the congregation through posts, articles or announcements, written and spoken using church social media, newsletter, and worship services.

### **Candidates Must Submit the Following:**

- 1) Current resume
- 2) Three references who can verify title, time in position, specific duties, outcomes, and character
- 3) A personal testimony of how you came to Christ
- 4) Links or copies of any previous sermons

5) A description of ministry activities in your current position

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