



OPPORTUNITY SNAPSHOT

CAMPUS PASTOR
River of Life Church

Overview

River of Life Church (rolmn.org, facebook.com/RoLChurchElkRiver/) in Elk River, Minnesota is seeking its first ever Campus Pastor. In a season of healthy improvements and a refreshed focus on a new strategic plan (Summit 2030), the time is right for a relational self-starter to join this loving church community and help them live out their mission: **helping people find and follow Jesus.**

The Big Idea



River of Life Church (ROL) is launching its first satellite campus. It's an exciting development at ROL, as they want to make a real difference in the community. While this has always been the goal, the last two years have seen significant strides to accomplish it with improved internal alignment, operational efficiency, a 12-year strategic plan, unprecedented financial giving and a clear pathway of discipleship: **Discover (Jesus), Connect (to others), Serve (the community), Give (financially).** With all these healthy and helpful additions, ROL is ready and excited to invite their first Campus Pastor to join the team, lead the first ever ROL satellite campus, and further the reach of the church in the community.

The Church



DENOMINATION: Evangelical Free Church of America (efca.org) **ATTENDANCE:** 500-600
ABOUT: ROL is almost 25 years old and its building is located on 40 beautiful acres. Senior Pastor Dave Johnson has been at the helm of ROL essentially since the beginning. In 2016, Executive Administrator Patrick Voelker joined ROL and brought further complimentary leadership. A Board of Elders referred to as "Overseers" governs the church. ROL has two Sunday morning contemporary worship services that meet at 9 and 10:45 a.m. With Children's Ministry, Student Ministry, Small Groups and Support Groups meeting throughout the week, ROL is regularly abuzz with activity.

The Candidate



The right pastor for ROL Otsego is an outgoing leader who lives out a deep love for Jesus. This pastor will lead the Otsego campus and preach church wide 25 percent of the time and increasing from there. The Campus Pastor will be an excellent and winsome communicator, a biblically based and compelling preacher, and a relational self-starter who knows how to effectively engage people. The right leader will believe that life is most richly experienced in community and will know how to connect with others, break down barriers to entry, create on-ramps to engagement and make it easy for people to get involved. With a passion for sharing the Gospel, a heart for unbelievers will be evident, and this leader will seek out ways to effectively connect them to the church. Lastly, as this is new territory for the church a level of adaptability is needed, understanding that the "real time" look of this role may be iterative at times.

The Location



The current ROL church building is located in Elk River, Minnesota but the new campus will be located in Otsego, about 15 minutes south of ROL and 20 minutes north of Minneapolis. Historically known as a sleepy town along I-94, this is no longer the case. Otsego has rapidly grown to more than 20,000 residents and over 200 homes were built there last year. Further, it is projected that 200 more homes will be built in Otsego EVERY YEAR for the next 10 YEARS. Schools that have been built for current and future residents have already reached capacity. With only two other churches even somewhat close, Otsego is a strategic location to further the mission of ROL.

The Qualifications



Bachelor and Seminary Master's degrees required or equivalent relevant experience. Fully endorse the EFCA Statement of Faith, ROL Constitution, Mission and Vision. 3 - 5 years experience leading ministry in a church, communicating in a large group setting, and caring for the people of a church. Significant experience in a multi-staff ministry setting. Significant leadership experience including activating and implementing strategic plans and projects. Highly relational and charismatic. Spiritually mature and emotionally intelligent. Exceptional communication and organizational skills.

Next Steps



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