



OPPORTUNITY SNAPSHOT

ASSOCIATE TEACHING PASTOR

Evangelical Free Church of Bozeman

Overview

The Evangelical Free Church of Bozeman (E-Free) (efcb.org) in Bozeman, Montana is ready to welcome an energized and relational leader to join their team as their next Associate Teaching Pastor. The time is right for E-Free to welcome a dynamic and gifted leader who is passionate about helping others go deeper in their faith through preaching the word and living life together.

The Big Idea



The purpose statement of E-Free is to **lead people of all ages and stages to real transformation in Christ.** This new pastor will reflect this statement by providing church-wide leadership in three key areas: Preaching (minimum 10–12 times/year with the potential to increase); Crafting and maximizing Adult Education; Overseeing the Care and Counseling Advisory Team. Increasing Bible literacy, a lifestyle of discipleship and a strategic approach to care and counseling are goals for E-Free. With the right leader in place, they believe these can all be accomplished.

The Church

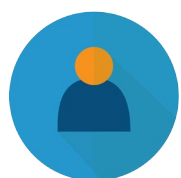


DENOMINATION: Evangelical Free Church of America (efca.org)

ATTENDANCE: 650-700

ABOUT: E-Free offers three Sunday worship gatherings at 8:30, 11 and 5. Services are relationally warm and casual with a focus on biblical teaching and a contemporary style of worship. Childcare is available during services, with Sunday School for kids, students and adults from 9:45–10:45 a.m. E-Free is abuzz with activity not just on Sundays but throughout the week as well. Children’s ministry offers Awana on Mondays. On Wednesdays, Montana State’s Cru ministry holds its large group gathering at the church, while Youth and Adult Life Groups meet in homes and at the church throughout the week.

The Candidate



The right Associate Teaching Pastor for E-Free has a love for the Lord that others can easily see. This pastor loves and is energized by people, is relationally warm and has an upbeat personality. As a gifted communicator and preacher, this pastor will move people to action. With a heart for the lost, this leader wants to see people live out their faith; equipped and motivated to share the love of Jesus with others. The right candidate will be humble, yet secure enough in his gifts to work closely with the Lead Teaching Pastor while also building and launching ministries. This individual will take time to get to know others. Being successful will take a high level of relational intelligence, so it is essential to understand people, listen, and invite feedback as plans take shape. This individual knows how to connect with others well while also possessing the ability to recruit and motivate volunteers in a manner that produces energy and excitement around ministry initiatives.

The Location



Bozeman, Montana, is a beautiful city of 40,000 with approximately 100,000 living in the greater Gallatin Valley. The church building sits on the “main drag,” close to Montana State University. Hundreds of college students call E-Free their church home, and directors of both Cru and InterVarsity attend the church. Bozeman is surrounded by mountains on all sides, is a “recreation destination” and internationally known for its fishing, hiking, skiing and camping. According the U.S. Census Bureau, the Bozeman area is the fastest growing community in the nation for populations under 50,000. Tourism and the high-tech industry are making a big splash, while families and businesses are relocating from larger metro areas. Some of its largest employers are Montana State University, Oracle, Zoot Enterprises (a leader in the financial technology industry), Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital, and the Bozeman Public School District, which is a nationally recognized public school system. Bozeman is a wonderful place to live, work, and play.

The Qualifications



Masters degree required; M.Div. preferred, MA is acceptable (with a theological focus); 5 – 10 years of ministry experience; Heart for the lost—evangelistically oriented—outwardly focused; Theologically aligned with the EFCA (efca.org); High emotional and relational intelligence; Energized by people; Teachable and Humble.

Next Steps



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