

OPPORTUNITY SNAPSHOT

CAMPUS PASTOR
Bethel Church

Overview

Bethel Church in Crown Point, IN (www.bethelweb.org) is a thriving multi-site church ready to find a gifted and called Campus Pastor to lead the Hobart/Portage (HP) location. The role is ideally suited for someone who is ready to preach 25 times a year and lead a growing campus location within a large a multi-site congregation.

The Big Idea



Under the leadership of Pastor Steve Dewitt, the church has become one of the largest churches in the country according to Outreach Magazine. It hosts five campus locations within a short drive of the main campus, including a Mandarin language campus. The Hobart/Portage (HP) location began in 2014 and grew to about 600 worshippers (pre-COVID). The HP campus is energetic, dynamic, and is largely populated with younger families. With over 100,000 residents within easy reach of HP, the right Pastor will lead this congregation in developing new outreach opportunities, growing the leadership aptitude of its many volunteers, and shepherding the people with excellent and insightful leadership. The unique personalities emerge from the individual locations, and Campus Pastors are encouraged to find the needs in their own communities and to shape programs and outreach to meet those contextualized needs.

The Church



Affiliation: Non-denominational

Attendance: 3,500 for all campuses; 450 for HP campus

About: Bethel Church seeks to glorify God through making disciples whose lives are all about Jesus. They worship together at 9 and 10:30 a.m. each week and offer dynamic ministries to children, youth, and women. Sermons are streamed in from the main campus two times per month with live preaching by the Campus Pastor the other two times.

The Candidate



Bethel is looking for an unashamed lover of Jesus who can create energy by modeling the life of Christ to others. He needs to be an experienced and engaging speaker who possesses a strong voice in the pulpit with a deep spiritual and biblical focus. This Pastor will need to be relevant, accessible, humble, and speak with theological precision. He will occasionally fill the pulpit at Bethel Crown Point. The Campus Pastor will lead staff, shepherd the congregation, mobilize the campus for mission, and work within the larger Bethel model of ministry. The right person will be a team player who willingly contributes to the work of the local campus and across the Bethel system.

The Location



The HP campus derives its name from the two principal cities it serves: Hobart, IN and Portage, IN. The combined population base of these two cities and the overall region is about 100,000 people. The HP campus is as little as 40 minutes from downtown Chicago and is a bedroom community for Chicago. With a low cost of living and good schools, those who move here will enjoy a great quality of life for all members of the family.

The Qualifications



A theological master's degree, minimum; clear alignment with the theological positions of Bethel; a vibrant relationship with Jesus; high character and evidence of spiritual and emotional maturity including self-awareness of their strengths and limitations; an excellent and winsome communicator who loves the Scriptures; experience in innovating and growing ministry, especially to younger families; a missional posture toward serving the community; and a minimum of five years of pastoral leadership experience, or equivalent, including oversight of paid staff.

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