

Seeking a new pastor for the Bromley, UK community

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The Bromley Community seeks to appoint a new pastor. Currently the post is held by Matthew & Natasha Huish who are resigning in order to concentrate on their responsibilities as UK National Director of FFWPU.

Members of the Bromley Community are invited to submit nominations for this position. Anyone can be nominated – from Bromley, from the rest of the UK, or even from abroad. Applications will also be welcomed. Please send nominations & applications to ffwpubromley@gmail.com.

The deadline for submitting nominations and applications for the post is Friday 30th June. Nominated individuals will be approached and asked whether or not they accept their nomination and wish to be considered. The Bromley Elders Council will then interview prospective candidates and decide which three to put forward for final consideration. Members of the community will then vote for the prospective pastor of their choice. The person with the most votes will be presented to the UK National Leader for endorsement.

Job Description

The pastor will serve blessed families and members in the community, working with them to create a community that returns joy to God and True Parents. This will involve:

Articulating a local vision and developing a strategy towards fulfilling stated goals in the local and national Unification Movement

Visiting members of the Bromley FFWPU Community in a pastoral capacity and responding to their needs and concerns, especially at times of birth, marriage and ascension

Ensuring that the following areas are handled responsibly by motivating and monitoring capable volunteers within the Community:

The planning, advertising and coordinating worship services and other events

The administrative work and management of finances

Facilitating projects and supporting providential organisations

Preaching (with the pastor taking the primary role) providing education for members and for outreach purposes

Promoting tribal messiah and blessing activities

Other activities integral to the work of an FFWPU pastor

The pastor will be expected to attend national and international meetings when requested to do so. (Mainly this involves monthly Zoom calls with the other UK pastors; four Council of Communities meetings per year. Pastors are also encouraged to attend the annual European Cheon Il Guk Assembly.)

Essential Qualifications:

A strong sense of calling to the mission from God

A high standard of spiritual discipline and devotion to God and True Parents (a strong life of faith with regular, personal prayer and study of God's Word)

A mature character – able to serve and love all people within the community

Good communication skills in English, both spoken and written

It is preferred that the person be married and that they are willing to lead the community as a couple.

Details

The term of employment would involve a 12-month contract, renewable at the end of the term. This will be a paid post and the wages are open to discussion.