

The Worcester MA Community Seeks a Part-time Pastor

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The Worcester community is looking for a part-time Pastor! At the end of January 2014, Pastor Kerry Williams will be stepping down in preparation for her move out of state with her family. She will be dearly missed, as her presence always brought warmth and a motherly spirit. We want to thank her for being our pastor since May 2011!

Moving forward we want to offer a part time (10-20 hours) opportunity to someone who wishes to become pastor for the Worcester Family Church. We are a community of about 40 families and have a variety of interactive activities throughout the year for every age. Here is a sneak peak about the community that will be featuring on a brand new website in the near future:

As a vibrant community with a big family heart, the Worcester Family Church has a unique atmosphere wherein several diverse cultures and generations all worship together. With more than 25 years of growing pains and triumphs, support, family, and education have successfully been themes embodied by members of this community. The Worcester community started in humble conditions with services in an upstairs room of the Ginseng Up factory, but now they feel proud to have service in a state of the art auditorium at the Worcester State University.

The youthful energy that makes our community so unique is growing with the younger generation's efforts to contribute their talents for the enjoyment of all members during Sunday Service. From high school students singing in the choir, to musicians of all ages and to events like yearly apple picking for families, the energy blossoming in this community supports the well-being of families. Support can be seen in small groups, prayer teams, and groups of families that form tribes. Another level of support extends to education. Every Wednesday there is Limelight, a weekly program designed to give insight into the Divine Principle.

The Worcester Family Church is just one ministry in a worldwide vision to create true love and one family under God. Each family or individual hoping to make a change in this world will be supported and encouraged through the guidance and teachings of our founder Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

We would like our pastor to embrace an altruistic role:

Unite with True Parents, and act as a liaison between headquarters and the local community.

Lead the Worcester Community in fulfilling its mission statement: Transform individuals and families through the Blessing of marriage, and create a culture of heart centered on God's love.

Lead and mentor the Executive Leadership Team (one representative from each main community service or group).

Organize sermon schedule and monitor quality - give guest-friendly sermons on a regular basis.

Provide pastoral care for the community.

Attend important church functions.

We would like the person to be available/ present in the community and also to counsel the community members when needed.

We would like our pastor to have the following skills:

Strong speaking ability

Commitment to continuous improvement

Ministerial/ counseling skills

Managing/organizing

Good ability to get along with others; relate well with young people

Creative thinking and problem-solving skills

Experience with Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint

This will be a part-time opportunity with about 10-20 hours. The compensation will be \$1500 per month.

Please contact Melissa Gontijo with further inquiries or interests