# Berean Bible Church Spokane Valley, WA Pastor of Outreach and Community Life

This position oversees ministry programs that focus on outreach, Christian education, and the community life of the church. Builds and sustains strong, spiritual relationships with people and disciples them to be a part of church ministries and activities.

Recruits and develops leaders and teachers for children's biblical education. Looks for ways to involve people to be a part of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with others. Uses social media to promote, communicate and create an online presence for the church as well as opportunities for interaction and outreach.

#### Outreach

- Develops outreach opportunities for interacting with people who do not yet know the Lord Jesus Christ.
- Encourages and shepherds the church toward lifestyle evangelism.
- Has a passion for reaching out and connecting with people in the local community.
- Mentors and disciples people within the church to be a part of our outreach.
- Makes connections with newcomers and disciples them to become involved in the church and be lifelong followers of Jesus Christ.
- Focuses on reaching out to the younger generations (Gen Xers, Millennials) to build and strengthen that portion of our church community.

## **Community Life**

- Oversees, recruits and develops ministry leaders for various adult activities such as retreats, small groups, teas, potlucks, breakfasts, etc.
- Champions and coordinates various outreach activities that reach out to our local community such as movie nights, Summer JAM (VBS), Community Connections, etc.
- Oversees Christian education on Sundays for children (ages 2 through 11).
- Uses social media to make connections within the church community to promote events, conduct outreach conversations and create interactions within the local community about our church.

#### **Biblical Characteristics**

- The role of a pastor is, "to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." Ephesians 4:12-13
- A pastor, as with any elder, "must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same

- judgment as the devil. He must also have a good reputation with outsiders, so that he will not fall into disgrace and into the devil's trap." 1 Timothy 3:2-7
- A pastor must "hold fast the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching, so that he will be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict." Titus 5:9.

# **Spirituality**

- The Pastor of Outreach and Community Life knows the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Savior. He is solid in his faith, abiding in Christ, growing spiritually, and demonstrates spiritual maturity.
- He has the confidence to follow God's will and set aside his personal interests for the sake of what God wants him to do.
- He will have a heart for the unbeliever. Evangelism and missions will be a major thrust of his and the church's spiritual ministry.

## **Pastoral**

- The Pastor of Outreach and Community Life has a heart to get involved in people's lives and mentor them spiritually.
- He will participate in the visitation, counseling, Christian education, outreach, discipleship, and planning ministries of the church.
- He must know how to apply scriptural principles to real life problems.
- He will speak the truth in love when counseling people.
- He must believe that a healthy relationship with Christ is foundational in solving any interpersonal problems.

# Qualifications

- A Bachelor's degree in Bible, Christian Education, Pastoral Ministries, or related field, or equivalent.
- Must understand and be in agreement with Berean's doctrinal statement.
- Will be committed to spending time daily in the Word and prayer.
- Has a heart for the lost and sharing the Lord with them
- Has a passion for children and families