

Ministry Position Announcement: Dahlonega Baptist Church of Dahlonega, Georgia (www.dbch.org) is seeking applications for Associate Pastor of Family Ministries.

The Associate Pastor of Family Ministries must have strong leadership and administration skills and the ability to oversee and equip part-time Directors of children, youth and college. A passion for discipleship of these groups and the commitment to create a safe environment in which growth can occur is also required. The Associate Pastor must teach, train and communicate effectively with parents and volunteers and must foster a family atmosphere at our church. To be called by Christ to join with Him in discipleship and ministry is essential (Matthew 11:28 – 30).

Dahlonega Baptist currently offers a contemporary worship service (9:30-10:30) and a traditional worship service (11:00 – 12:00). Our members are involved in Bible study groups, either in Sunday School or in small groups which meet in member homes. Wednesday night activities include a church supper, Prayer & Bible Study, Women’s Ministry and activities for children and youth. On a monthly basis, there is a special Sunday evening worship and fellowship for college and young adults. Our Sonshine Weekday Preschool (mornings during school year) offers quality instruction in a Christian setting to 1 – 5 year olds.

Dahlonega, with a population of about 6,500 is the county seat of Lumpkin County (pop. 31,000) in Northeast Georgia and is 70 miles north of Atlanta. The Gold Rush of 1828 was the impetus that led to the incorporation of Dahlonega in 1833. Located in the God-given natural beauty of the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, Dahlonega enjoys easy access to Atlanta. The University of North Georgia’s main campus is in Dahlonega with approximately 6500 students locally.

Other Requirements: Applicants must have a Masters’ degree (preferably an MDiv) from an accredited seminary and at least three years of pastoral experience. Successful candidates must undergo a full background check and submit transcripts of graduate education.

Send resumes and a letter of application electronically to: DbcAssocPastor19@gmail.com . We will begin reviewing resumes on May 10, 2019.

Associate Pastor of Family Ministries – Dahlonega Baptist Church

Responsibilities

- 1) Oversee and guide Dahlonega Baptist ministries to our children, youth and college students.
- 2) Help build a culture of discipleship among children, youth, college, parents and leaders. Develop clear age-appropriate goals related to the characteristics of maturing disciples of Christ.

- 3) Encourage and equip parents in their central role in the discipleship of their children. Schedule periodic parent meetings to discuss plans and receive feedback. Teach classes and workshops on family ministry related topics.
- 4) Recruit and equip part-time Directors for Children (for cradle through 5th grade) and Youth (for 6th – 12th grades). Provide training for teachers and volunteers in children, youth and college ministries to ensure consistency and sustainability.
- 5) Provide spiritual leadership, prayer support and guidance to the Children, Youth and College Directors, as well as, volunteers, parents and participants.
- 6) Meet weekly with Directors of children and youth. Meet regularly with college teachers and volunteers.
- 7) Assist Directors, teachers and volunteers in coordinating schedules to ensure sufficient staffing to meet ministry needs.
- 8) Determine and propose appropriate curricula and teaching materials for children, youth and college ministries. With the assistance of the Directors, develop and maintain a resource center for teachers, including Bible resources, games, puppets, props, posters, videos, etc.
- 9) Create a safe environment for children and youth that encourages spiritual growth. Ensure that workers undergo background checks.
- 10) Develop effective means of communication to children, youth, college students and parents.
- 11) Integrate children, youth and college students into the entire church body. Help foster an extended-family atmosphere within the church.
- 12) Communicate with the Sonshine Weekday Preschool Director on a weekly basis. Serve as a non-voting member of the Sonshine Weekday Preschool Committee.
- 13) Develop and maintain a strategy for reaching and assimilating new families.
- 14) Oversee expenditures and develop budgets relating to family ministries. Ensure that Directors of children, youth and college comply with church policies.

General Leadership and Pastoral Duties

- 1) Serve on the pastoral team, helping to provide overall church direction and administration.
- 2) Attend weekly staff meetings and other meetings as required.
- 3) Maintain regular office hours (with some ministry flexibility).
- 4) Maintain good communication, cooperation and coordination with staff, Deacons, Board of Directors and the congregation at large.
- 5) Assist the senior pastor in a variety of ministry areas as needed.
- 6) Preach on an occasional basis as assigned by the senior pastor.
- 7) Participate in the planning and leadership of regular church services and gatherings as designated by the senior pastor.
- 8) Participate in and contribute to various church-wide endeavors.
- 9) Be involved in the community, seeking out relationships with those who do not know Christ.