

Lead Pastor Position Available **The Meeting House Alliston (Alliston, ON)**



We are currently seeking a full-time Lead Pastor to begin ministry early in 2024. (We would also be open to someone seeking a co-vocational part-time role, or spouses looking to job share).

We are a caring church with a 'family' feel and very strong sense of community. Our desire is to help people find faith in Jesus and experience the kingdom-oriented, Jesus-centered life together in community with other followers of Jesus whose lives centre around his teaching and example.

We meet on Sunday mornings in the beautiful town of Alliston, just north of Toronto, ON, in an amazing community space called the Gibson Centre. Alliston is experiencing a population boom as people move out of the city and choose to settle here and in nearby communities in search of more affordable housing and a different pace of life. Our church is a mix of all ages and our Sunday gatherings average around 50 people. Approximately 25 people also gather mid-week in Home Churches. We have a strong volunteer base, and we celebrate the fact that nearly everyone actively uses their gifts and abilities to serve the church family in some capacity. Our hope is to grow as we welcome new individuals and families into our community, while continuing to care well for those who are already part of the congregation.

Our church was planted over 20 years ago as a non-denominational church. In 2016, we sought out a denominational family that aligned with our Anabaptist, Jesus-centered values; we transitioned to becoming part of the Be in Christ Church of Canada and joined the Meeting House family of churches. We utilize Meeting House teaching, programming, and resourcing, but we operate as our own charity with our own Leadership Team.

We are searching for a Lead Pastor whose values align with our Jesus-centred theology. Our preferred candidate would possess strong servant-leadership gifts and the confidence and desire to work collaboratively with other leaders, empowering them to use their gifts, and welcoming their partnership in ministry. This candidate would also consider creative ideas for ministry and outreach, take initiative, be relational and embody trust, and possess strong interpersonal skills. Further, while we use a video teaching model, occasional local teaching is also required. If married, a spouse who is supportive of their partner's ministry is important.

An undergraduate certificate or Biblical Studies degree is preferred. Compatibility with the theological distinctives of our denomination (Be in Christ Church of Canada - beinchrist.ca) and credentialing will be required. This is a full-time position including salary, benefits and pension. In keeping with our theological outlook, the position is open to both men and women.

Please submit resumes / enquiries to Charles Mashinter, Executive Director – Be In Christ Church Of Canada (charlie.mashinter@beinchrist.ca). We appreciate all submissions but only those selected for further consideration will be contacted. The search will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. Preferred start time – January to March 2024.