

Linville Forest Church of Christ in Kernersville, NC is currently seeking a FULL TIME Minister.

We are praying God will send us a gifted and passionate minister to assist in reaching the hearts of our neighbors in the Kernersville area. This minister will be a family man with maturity and experience, sound in doctrine, with a passion for a soul-winning ministry and equipping the saints.

Responsibilities will include preaching and teaching the Word, community outreach, visitation, and writing for our weekly bulletin and other publications.

Visit www.linvilleforest.org to find the Full-Time Minister Job Description with additional information.

If you are interested in applying for this work, please submit:

- A resume showing past experience with salary history, education, and places you have worked
- A list of personal references
- A sample audio tape, CD, DVD or videotape of three of your sermons showing a variety of styles you have used - at least one textual based and one topical based sermon should be included.
- Samples of your written bulletin or other published articles
- 3 sermon outlines
- Answers to the Questions supplied by the search committee

This package should be mailed to Linville Forest Church of Christ Attention Steve Hare, 450 Linville Road, Kernersville, NC 27284 or e-mail swh41@aol.com. We will review the packet and get back with you as soon as we are able. If you have any questions, please e-mail me at swh41@aol.com.

Thank you for your interest.

Vision/Goals of the Linville Forest Church of Christ

The vision of the Linville Forest Church of Christ is to glorify God by seeing the members become passionate about God's heart for the lost by being actively involved in the work of the church with emphasis on the following goals:

- To go into the entire world spreading the Gospel to those who are subject to God's call.
- To edify and exhort to good works the current members and to assist them in increasing their faith through individual and group Bible studies, through weekly sermons and Bible classes which focus on the love which God has shown to us.
- To encourage members to show their appreciation for the great sacrifice which was made for us by attending the services of the church regularly.
- To provide programs to foster love and unity among the members.
- To teach and encourage the youth of the church to good works and to strengthening their commitment to remain faithful to the church by individual and group devotions and Bible studies.
- To involve new members in the family of Christians at Linville Forest and encourage those members who have fallen away to return to church.
- To provide assistance to those in need inside and outside the church, especially including our senior members, many of whom have lost a spouse and have difficulties with the daily activities which they must perform.

Linville Forest Church of Christ

Job Description

Job Title: Full Time Minister

Reports to: The Linville Forest Church of Christ Elders

Personal Characteristics:

The ideal candidate will be a self-starter, friendly person who is approachable and can address the needs of all ages of members in our congregation. The minister will need to be a team player, working with the elders, deacons, and members to provide an environment conducive to the growth goals of the church.

Professional Characteristics:

We are looking for a minister who has well prepared lessons with an excellent presentation style that can bring relative, up to date sermons. These lessons must make the bridge between scripture and personal application.

Essential Job Duties:

Include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

- Preaching sermons on Sunday morning, and Sunday evening
- Teaching classes as assigned and needs arise
- Outreach and Church growth Ministry leader
- Reaching out with the Gospel to our Families, Friends and Neighbors
- Assist in the Spiritual and Numeric Growth of the Congregation
- Visit the Sick, Hospitalized and the Shut-in
- Preach Funerals as needed
- Perform weddings as needed
- Meet with the Elders as scheduled
- Proficient PowerPoint, Microsoft Word, Windows Based Programs.

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Please answer the following questions and submit with your application package.

What are the key elements for a congregation to be effective, i.e., unified and growing?

What immediate and long term plans concerning church growth might you have? Which of these plans have you implemented before and what were the results?

What is the role of the elders, deacons and preacher?

What type of working relationship would you expect between you and the elders and deacons? How about staff and fellow ministers?

What is the purpose of a sermon? What do you try to accomplish?

How do you address the various needs of the babes in Christ and spiritual mature Christians in your sermons?

How do you address the various needs of the babes in Christ and spiritual mature Christians in your classes?

What is your philosophy of classroom teaching?

What translation of the Bible do you use and why?

What do you teach as essentials for salvation?

What is your view on the “Emergent Church” movement and “Community Church” movement?

What is your hermeneutic?

What, if any, connection do you see between obedience and love as taught in scripture?

What is your teaching on marriage, divorce and re-marriage?

What do you perceive as some of the greatest threats to the church and its doctrine?

How do you deal with controversy and/or conflict within the congregation and the brotherhood?

What is your teaching on church discipline?