

# JOB DESCRIPTION CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH Children and Families Pastor

Calvary Baptist Church, Coquitlam is seeking a Children and Families Pastor for our multicultural, multi-generational congregation. We are a church of approximately 180 adults and children. We have a passion for Jesus, God's Word and His people, and a strong commitment to local and global outreach.

#### The ideal candidate will:

- Be a committed Christian with a clear calling from God to serve as a Children and Families Pastor.
- Be committed to spiritual growth, biblical education and learning, both personally and in helping children and families deepen their relationship with Christ.
- Have an ability to articulate the gospel clearly to children and their families.
- Have post-secondary education and experience working/volunteering with children.
- Agree with the <u>Baptist General Conference</u> (<u>BGC</u>) <u>Affirmation of Faith, Pastoral Code of Ethics and Statement on Marriage in Canada</u>, and <u>Calvary's Membership Covenant</u>.
   Holds credentials, or be willing to be credentialed, with the BGC.
- Demonstrate strong leadership skills, with the ability to guide and collaborate effectively with volunteers, staff, and families.
- Possess excellent interpersonal, organizational, and communication skills (verbal, written, and digital).
- Have a genuine love for children and their families, fostering an environment where they feel valued and encouraged in their faith.
- Be excited about participating in the life of the Calvary church family (e.g., membership, church events).

# **Primary Responsibilities**

Reporting to the Lead Pastor and working cooperatively with the Calvary staff team, the Children and Families Pastor will oversee and manage ministries that serve children and families within the church and the surrounding community. This part-time role (20 hours per week - will include some evenings/weekends) includes the following responsibilities:

## 1. Vision & Leadership

- Develop and implement a clear vision for Children's Ministry that aligns with Calvary's mission.
- Foster a culture where children feel known, loved, and discipled in their faith.
- Advocate for the role of children in the church community, ensuring they are included in worship and ministry.

## 2. Teaching & Discipleship

- Oversee and prepare age-appropriate biblical teaching (Nursery Grade 5) ensuring it is engaging, gospel-centered, and theologically sound.
- Select and adapt curriculum that supports children's spiritual growth and engagement.
- Encourage parent partnership by providing resources, workshops, and regular faith-building guidance.

# 3. Volunteer Recruitment & Development

- Recruit, train, and equip volunteers to serve in children's ministry with excellence and joy.
- Provide ongoing support and leadership development for the children's ministry team.
- Maintain and review annually clear safety policies and procedures to protect children and volunteers (Plan to Protect).

## 4. Events & Special Programs

- Plan and coordinate seasonal events (e.g., Christmas, Easter).
- Work with the leaders of weekly Boys' and Girls' Clubs to encourage them and ensure their alignment with Calvary's strategic goals.
- Develop and lead summer programming and outreach initiatives (e.g., summer camp, Family Fun Nights).
- Oversee summer intern mentorship.

## 5. Communication & Collaboration

- Provide consistent communication to parents and guardians (e.g., newsletters, meetings, and social media).
- Collaborate with other staff members on church-wide and outreach activities.
- Connect with community children's ministry networks to learn and share best practices.

## 6. Pastoral Care & Support

• Provide pastoral care to children, families and volunteers, offering guidance, prayer, and support (e.g., during times of transition, crisis, or spiritual growth).

## 7. General

- Develop and work within annual budgets for children and family ministries
- Participate in Staff meetings and retreats.
- Participate in Sunday services, assisting with announcements, communion, or other pastoral duties as needed.

THE DETAILS	
Reports to	Lead Pastor - Probation period of 6 months. Regular reviews with Lead
	Pastor.
Hours	20 hours per week - with evening and weekend work inclusive
Compensation	\$27-32/hr (determined by experience and education)
Benefits	Group benefits plan
	Professional Development Budget
	Application for 3-month sabbatical every 9 years
Vacation	3 weeks/year

To apply, submit a resume and cover letter describing you vision and for discipleship and worship ministry to <a href="mailto:jobs@calvarybaptist.ca">jobs@calvarybaptist.ca</a>

Applications will be processed as they are submitted with an initial assessment of candidates starting April 30, 2025