

Grace Bible Church

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Hello!

And welcome to this Pastoral Search Page for Grace Bible Church of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

My name is Paul Peabody, and it has been my privilege to shepherd the families here at Grace Bible Church for the past 27 years, but the time is coming for me to step aside and let a younger man take my place here. Grace Bible Church is actively praying and seeking for a man of God's choosing to come to this congregation and provide pastoral leadership. We would like to hire someone to come as an Associate Pastor who can overlap with me for a time before undertaking the Senior Pastor position, so that the transition can be a smooth and joyful one for our congregation. If you are on this page because you are interested in being that man, then we pray that God will guide you as you get acquainted with us.

Grace Bible Church is currently about 350 individuals in 112 family units. Some are in their 90's and some are infants, along with folks in all the ages between. Each family and each individual is important to God and to us, and it is our privilege to stand beside them, teach them, and guide them in their walk with our Savior, the Lord Jesus.

The Elders at Grace Bible Church have chosen a verse to summarize their attitude toward the congregation. It is Colossians 1:28: "Whom we preach, warning *every man*, and teaching *every man* in all wisdom; that we may present *every man* perfect in Christ Jesus." We as elders take pastoral care for *every person* in the congregation very seriously, and we want the next pastor to do the same. Although we *have* a building and are hoping to build a *larger* building, the people here are far more important than any program or building, so we are looking for a pastor/shepherd to come and help us care for the people in the church here.

On this page, there are a dozen or so links to documents we have prepared to help you understand who we are and whether this is a place you would like to serve. You will find several documents that describe our congregation, several documents that describe the job description for the future pastor, and some links to information about our community.

Finally, we are not looking for a professional pastor who comes to serve for a few years and then moves on. Instead, we are looking for a shepherd who wants to come and be a part of our congregation for a good long time.

As you review this material, we pray fervently that God will give you wisdom about applying for the position here. And we pray fervently that God will give us wisdom to know if you should be the one to serve with us here at Grace Bible Church. God bless you!

Because of His Grace,
Paul Peabody, pastor