



Savanna Bible Church (Savanna, IL) – Pastor

The Big Picture

Savanna Bible Church (savannabible.wordpress.com) is an independent, Bible-believing church seeking a full-time Pastor who will preach the Word of God in an expository manner, graciously shepherd the congregation, reach out to the community, and provide godly leadership.

The Community

Savanna is located on the Mississippi River about halfway between Dubuque, Iowa, and the Quad Cities (Moline & Rock Island, IL and Davenport and Bettendorf, IA). It is a blue-collar community of 3,100; where hunting, fishing, and gardening is a part of most people's lives. The community, which is the largest in Carroll County, is advertised as a sportsman's paradise and is a popular weekend destination from surrounding communities and from as far away as Chicago. Our county is one of the poorest in the state and unemployment is always an ongoing issue. We have two major employers that employ several hundred people. Beyond the town, there are grain, potato, pumpkin, hog, dairy, and beef farms.

The Church

Savanna Bible Church is an independent conservative evangelical church founded in 1904. A new church was built in 1977 on a spacious 5-acre lot with growth in mind. Pre-Covid church attendance was 50. The church family is spread across Carroll County, the counties to the north and south, as well as across the river in Iowa. While independent, for fellowship and ministry partnership possibilities, we are also a member of the Sinnissippi (Southern) Baptist Association. While a member of this local association, we are not members of the state association or of the National Southern Baptist Convention. We believe in the inerrant, inspired

Word of God and believe in the pre-tribulation rapture and the pre-millennial return of Christ to rule, in person, on earth for 1,000 years. Our purpose is to unite for worship, promote the gospel of Jesus Christ, aid in missionary outreach and build up our members in scriptural faith. Our pastor of 18 years has retired, and we are looking for the next man of God to lead our church in the Great Commission. The church is healthy, eager to grow in the Word of God and praying for the next pastor God would have for us.

The Candidate

The ideal candidate must have a clear testimony of personal faith in Jesus Christ as his Savior. He must be outgoing, and outreach minded, preferably gifted in evangelism. He must have a passion to reach the lost, especially targeting younger families. He must be committed to expository preaching verse by verse. If he (and/or his wife) has musical talents to lead in singing of contemporary worship songs, that would be a huge plus.

The Qualifications

We require a man that meets the qualifications in 1st Timothy and Titus. He must be in agreement with, not just supportive of, our doctrinal statement and constitution. Our church constitution can be emailed upon request. We prefer that he have a minimum of a four-year Bible college degree.

The Process

Please look over this job description and the church website. Along with your resume please answer these questions:

Why do you believe that you might be a good fit as the Pastor at Savanna Bible Church?

Describe your experiences in ministry and how you may be qualified to serve as the Pastor at Savanna Bible Church?

In just a few sentences please give a summary of your theology and how that is in line with the Statement of Faith of Savanna Bible Church?

Please send your resume, the answers to these questions and a link to at least one online sermon to Jason@no-feepastorsearch.com