

LEAD PASTOR - Full Time

Wake Cross Roads Baptist Church, Raleigh, NC

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Wake Cross Roads Baptist Church (WCR) was organized in 1789. The church has always focused on reaching the community with the gospel of Jesus Christ. From its inception, WCR has emphasized committed membership through regular attendance, giving, and serving. The church has a strong legacy of expositional preaching, teaching, and sound doctrine. We are affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention and the Baptist State Convention of NC. Recently, our pastor of nineteen years was called home by our Lord and we are now seeking God's will to find the man called to serve as Lead Pastor.

Over the last decade, WCR has expanded its facilities and ministry opportunities to position itself to reach a growing community that has exploded in growth over the last 20 years. Our current average weekly worship attendance is 400. The opportunities for growth at WCR are immense and there is much energy and desire to see our church reach the lost and unchurched in our area.

Through an intense assessment process led by our interim/transitional pastor, the church has been focusing on better defining and refining our mission statement. The goals of a Christ follower at WCR are (1) Worshiping God – We exist to glorify Jesus Christ in everything, (2) Equipping Christ Followers – We train disciples to imitate Jesus Christ, and (3) Reaching Our Community And The World – We spread the good news of Jesus to a broken world. In order to accomplish these goals, we will ensure that all of our ministries, schedules, and programs are designed and executed with a heart of achieving these goals.

About the Position:

The Lead Pastor would operate within a Plural Pastor-led Congregational model as the first among equals on the Pastoral Leadership Team. He would also work alongside a variety of teams that include congregational representation.

A distinctive priority of the Lead Pastor is to provide well-prepared, expositional biblical preaching and teaching and to lead the people of God to prepare themselves for the work of ministry as fully devoted followers of Christ. The pastor should demonstrate strengths in vision casting and leading a multi-staff team. He should have a heart for sharing the gospel within our community and our world. He will shepherd our congregation and support community outreach efforts, helping all believers to discover, strengthen, and apply their spiritual gifts towards the ministry of the Church. He will participate in and encourage the development and training of mature believers to come alongside new believers in discipleship.

Qualifications:

He must believe the Bible to be the inspired, inerrant, and authoritative Word of God, and that Jesus is the only way by which man can be saved. He must be a supporter of the Southern Baptist Convention, Baptist State Convention of NC, and agree with the Baptist Faith and Message 2000. His life must exhibit the Biblical qualities and characteristics of pastors as found in I Timothy 3:1-7, Titus 1:6-8, etc. He will preferably have a Master of Divinity degree and at least five years of experience as a Pastor.