

Vacancy Notification – Goodwood Presbyterian Church

Ministry Opportunity

Brothers and sisters,

I am writing to inform you of a current vacancy for a ministerial position at Goodwood Presbyterian Church. Our church is at a significant transitional point, and we are exploring various leadership options due to limited financial resources and the need for flexible ministry solutions.

POSITION OPTIONS

1. Stated Supply: We are considering hiring a minister to conduct Sunday services and some pastoral responsibilities on a short-term basis.
2. Probationer: We are open to welcoming a probationer who can grow with the congregation while supporting their initial steps in ministry.
3. Shared Ministry: We are open to exploring the possibility of shared ministry.
4. Appointment of a New Minister: We are also open to the appointment of a minister.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Given our current financial constraints, we are called to prayerfully consider these options in light of our resources. We aim to stabilize our finances and ensure that any decision made serves both the church's present and future well.

QUALITIES & REQUIREMENTS

Personal & Spiritual Attributes

- ✓ Strong personal relationship with Christ and a commitment to biblical truth
- ✓ Humble, approachable, and caring – Connects well with members
- ✓ Energetic & passionate about ministry
- ✓ Prayerful – Seeks God's guidance
- ✓ Honest & ethical – Demonstrates integrity in leadership

Preaching & Teaching Skills

- ✓ Biblical & Christ-centered preaching – Delivers engaging and relevant sermons
- ✓ Clear communicator – Able to connect with all age groups
- ✓ Passionate teacher – Leads Bible studies and discipleship programs
- ✓ Encourages spiritual growth in the congregation

Pastoral & Leadership Qualities

- ✓ Caring & compassionate – Provides pastoral care and support
- ✓ Team player – Collaborates with elders, deacons, and volunteers
- ✓ Good conflict resolution skills – Handles church challenges with wisdom

Community Engagement & Outreach

- ✓ Culturally aware – Understands and respects different backgrounds
- ✓ Passionate about evangelism & outreach
- ✓ Engages with youth & families
- ✓ Connects with the local community

Educational & Denominational Requirements

- ✓ Theologically trained – Degree or diploma from a recognized institution
- ✓ Ordained in UPCS or a denomination recognized by UPCS
- ✓ Understands Presbyterian governance & polity

NEXT STEPS

All applications **must come** with the following:

- A *one-page* Curriculum Vitae
- A *60-second video short* of the candidate introducing himself/herself
- A *one-page* concrete proposal as to which of the options above you would like to explore, together with motivation, and an expectation of remuneration.

We would also appreciate your ongoing prayers.

Applications must be sent to:

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Interim Moderator
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The closing date for applications is 30 April 2025.

Kindest regards,
Raoul Comninos