



Bethel Friends Church

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Bethel Friends Church of Hugoton Kansas is seeking to fill the position of pastor. We are a family of dedicated followers of Christ, united by our love for the Lord. We strive to be like Christ by being His hands and feet, through fellowship, service, and the study of His word. While imperfect and sometimes dysfunctional, we are a Spirit-led congregation that welcomes everyone with open arms. Our church is a place of worship, faithful Bible teaching, and generosity in time, money, and talents. We prioritize relationships over material things and endeavor to be a welcoming and warm church family. Our mission is to love God and His word, worship and serve in unity with other believers, and build connections with the unreached, trusting the Holy Spirit to draw them to choose Jesus and join us. We are committed to fulfilling our role in the Great Commission, making disciples, and immersing ourselves in all God is until the time Jesus returns. (Matthew 22:36-40, Matthew 28:16-20).

We are located in a rural community in Southwest Kansas. There are many small businesses that support the agriculture as well as oil and gas economy along with a few small manufacturing facilities. The public school system fluctuates between large 3A and small 4A classifications. There is also a private Christian school for Pre-School through 6th grade. Bethel Friends Church has approximately 150 regular attendees with an average attendance of 106 in 2023. We are a body representing all ages with a strong children's and youth ministry.

The pastor we are seeking will be a servant leader who stands on and lives by the authority of Scripture, is obedient to the Holy Spirit, and is willing to walk beside us in fulfilling our role in the Great Commission. Our pastor will shepherd, by putting God and others before himself, and the fruit of the Holy Spirit should be evident in his life (Galatians 5:22-23). He will faithfully spend time in God's word and in prayer. He will preach God's word and encourage the church body in our daily walk with Christ. Our pastor should desire to be held accountable to God and other believers, be humble, and have a caring and compassionate attitude. As we faithfully serve God together, he will help us identify and fill our gaps.

The pastor search team has prayed for several months and continues to pray that God will guide our pastoral search process. We invite you to read our Church Informational Profile (CIP) and prayerfully consider if God may be calling you to be the next pastor of Bethel Friends Church. As you seek God in this matter, please know that we are praying for you, as well. We trust God's faithfulness and leading to bring the right person to us. If you have questions, please contact any of the people listed in the sidebar of this letter. If God leads you to apply, please complete the EFC-MAYM [Pastoral Profile Application](https://efcmaym.org/resources/) (link available here: <https://efcmaym.org/resources/>) and send it along with a letter of interest, resume, references, and a recording of a recent sermon you preached to Ben McClure at bjmclure@hotmail.com.

Sincerely in Christ,

The Bethel Friends Church Pastoral Search Team

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