

Bethlehem Church of New Albany

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“Our Mission is to Love people into a decision for Christ, Connect them to the Body of Christ and Disciple them for Life”

Welcome to Bethlehem Methodist Church of New Albany! We are hiring a passionate and visionary Fulltime Associate Pastor to lead our congregation in New Albany. If you are dedicated to church growth, preaching, community, and embody our values to Love people into a relationship with Jesus, to Connect people into a fellowship with the Church, and to Lead people into discipleship that equips them to serve the community and each other, we invite you to consider joining our growing church. Our vision is for everyone in our circle of influence to come to Faith in Jesus and produce Fruit for Jesus as a Family of Jesus through Bethlehem Church. We have two services on Sunday morning with the first service at 8:25am, Sunday school from 9:45 to 10:30 and our second service is from 10:35am to 11:40 with approximately 270 attending the first service and approximately 120 attending the second service.

Responsibilities for the Associate Pastor Position:

The role of the associate pastor is to aid the senior pastor in day-to-day pastoral duties. They may be asked to preach and teach on any given Sunday, or they may be asked to make pastoral care visits and perform pastoral care duties such as officiate weddings, attend and speak at funerals, or visit those who are sick or otherwise. They have a hand in every area of the church and may be called upon to assist in any given area of ministry to help plan events, facilitate events, gather volunteers, lead events, etc.

Example of the Associate Pastor Job Description:

Our church is looking for a candidate who has a passion to help aid in leading and facilitating the spiritual growth of our church and leading the congregation. We also believe that a candidate should feel led by God to this area of ministry, that they should have clear and effective

communication skills, they should have a heart for people of all ages, that they should have biblical leadership skills and that they should be able to help oversee and lead all other areas of the church ministry.

What you will be doing:

Teaching and preaching occasionally

Helping to lead the congregation in spiritual growth

Aiding other areas of the church ministry

Helping the senior pastor lead the staff

Helping to come up with and plan out church events for any area of ministry

Qualities and skills needed:

A heart for the gospel and Jesus

Relevant education and experience

A heart and passion for people

A heart of humility and joy

Biblical leadership skills

Clear and effective communication skills

Preferred:

- Master of Divinity (MDiv) or comparable theological training (preferred but not required)
- Previous experience in pastoral ministry, student ministry, or family ministry
- Ordination or progress toward ordination within a Wesleyan denomination

To Apply

Associate Pastor Salary: Will negotiate based on experience and education

Application Process:

To apply for the position of Associate Pastor at Bethlehem Methodist Church of New Albany, please submit your resume, a cover letter, and any additional relevant documents to

Tpernell63@yahoo.com

The deadline for applications is: Start date May 6, 2026 Thru May 13, 2026.

Candidates will be contacted for an initial interview, followed by a more in-depth assessment.

At Bethlehem Methodist Church of New Albany, we believe that finding the right associate pastor is a collaborative effort between the church leadership and the candidate. We look forward to welcoming an associate pastor who shares our vision and is excited to lead this church. If you feel called to be a part of our community, we invite you to apply and join us in fulfilling our mission together.