



## **Pastoral Internship at Ventura**

Ventura Baptist Church is located in Holland, MI, about one mile from Lake Michigan. Ventura is follows historic Baptist principles as it relates to polity and practice. As a local church, we are a people pursuing Jesus together in order to exalt God, edify the church and evangelize the world. The following are expectations and requirements for our church's full-time (3-4 month) internship program. The following does not include everything, but it does provide an accurate overview. If you would like more information on Ventura, please visit [www.venturabaptistchurch.com](http://www.venturabaptistchurch.com).

### **Goal**

Our goal for the pastoral internship is to provide a healthy environment in which an individual can grow and be challenged in pastoral ministry. Ventura is committed to help the individual increase in their God-given gifts and to welcome helpful critiques of our church practices as well.

### **Personal Growth**

- Regular accountability and encouragement in growth in godliness, with the church's elder team;
- Help in evaluating and addressing personal schedules, priorities and ministry goals;
- Discussion and encouragement regarding one's sense of calling to full-time ministry.

### **Ministry Growth**

- Regular reading assignments;
- 2-4 topical writing assignments related to doctrinal and practical theology;
- Multiple teaching and/or preaching opportunities to various age-groups;
- Participation in our church's discipleship group(s) for men;
- Review and evaluation of certain ministries of the church;
- Participation in wedding and funeral planning (if the occasions arise. Training will be provided if there are no weddings and/or funerals);
- Meeting with shut-ins and members of Ventura;
- Participation in all elders meetings (2 meetings per month);
- Participation in weekly prayer time with full-time pastors.

### **Compensation**

- Housing provided,
- Payment to your seminary for the internship credits,
- \$10,000 for the full-time (40 hours per week) internship.

### **Contact**

If you are interested in obtaining more information about the internship program, please contact Pastor Timothy Durey at [durey.vbc@gmail.com](mailto:durey.vbc@gmail.com). A resumé may be sent to the same address.