

Martinsburg Grace Brethren Church
Martinsburg, Pennsylvania
Pastor of Family Life

About the Position:

Martinsburg Grace Brethren Church is actively seeking a full-time Pastor of Family Life. The goal of the Pastor of Family Life is to bring the church alongside families to support them in the process of developing stronger – godlier family relationships. The continued development of Life Groups will be a vital aspect of this position. The Pastor of Family Life will counsel and minister to parents, children, and grandparents. When churches come along side families and families are fully integrated into the body of Christ they become durable and growing entities bringing glory to God. The Pastor of Family Life will be the catalyst providing leadership, guidance and planning to impact families with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Pastor of Family Life at MGBC will:

- Be called to shepherd the church of Jesus Christ
- Match the qualifications found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7
- Maintain an intimate and vibrant relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Possess practical experience with Life/Small Group formation, development and implementation.
- Possess marriage and family counseling experience.
- Develop relationships with families that will lead to more effective assimilation and engagement into the church body.

About the Church:

Martinsburg Grace Brethren Church has been in existence for over 120 years. God has blessed us with many young families, children and youth. We also employ a full time Executive Pastor, Associate Pastor, Pastor of Worship and Discipleship and a Youth and Young Adults Pastor. A more complete overview of the church can be found at our website at mgbconline.com.

About our Region:

Martinsburg, Pennsylvania is located in rural central Pennsylvania about 20 miles southeast of Altoona. We are about a two hour drive east of Pittsburgh and 1 hour from State College home of Penn State University. We maintain an excellent public school system.

About the process:

If God is leading you to find out more about the Pastor of Family Life position at Martinsburg Grace Brethren Church, please forward us a cover letter and resume. Please include names and contact information for references and mail it to:

Martinsburg Grace Brethren Church
300 South Mulberry Street
Martinsburg, Pennsylvania 16662
Attention: Kevin Spiker, Chairman Search and Screen

Martinsburg Grace Brethren Church

Pastoral Application Form

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name (First, Middle, Last): _____

Home address: _____

Home telephone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Birthplace: _____

Married: Yes _____ No _____ If Yes, how many years _____

Have you been married previously? Yes _____ No _____

Children: Yes _____ No _____ How many? _____

If employed, what is the earliest that you would be able to begin work? _____

Give a brief summary of how you came to know Christ as your personal Savior.

Discuss your calling to full-time work in the church.

Describe your spiritual maturity and how you cultivate it.

What spiritual gifts do you have?

*for any discussion questions, if you need more space, you may attach a separate page.

2. EDUCATION

Formal Education

High school: _____

Graduation year: _____

City and state: _____

College: _____ Year: _____

Degree(s): _____

City and state: _____

Seminary: _____ Year: _____ Degree: _____

City and state: _____

Do you have any other skills that would qualify you for the position you seek?

Are you presently attending school? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, name of school: _____

Projected graduation date: _____

City and state: _____

Field of Study: _____

Continuing Education

Include seminars, workshops, seminary programs, etc.

3. LICENSE/ORDINATION

Licensed? Yes _____ No _____ Year: _____

By what church/denomination? _____

City and state: _____

Ordained? Yes _____ No _____ Year: _____

By what church/denomination? _____

City and state: _____

Current status of licensure or ordination: _____

4. PHILOSOPHY

Philosophy of Ministry:

Your definition of ministry and how to accomplish it:

Administrative philosophy and how it influences your administrative style:

Your view of how a Pastor should function in regards to church finances, relations with deacons, elders, and church board of directors:

Describe your leadership style and how you develop leaders in the church:

5. MINISTERIAL EXPERIENCE

Experience

Record employment in church-related ministry. (Beginning with most recent)

1. Date: _____ to _____
Organization: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Phone: _____
Position: _____
Website: _____

2. Date: _____ to _____
Organization: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Phone: _____
Position: _____
Website: _____

3. Date: _____ to _____
Organization: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Phone: _____
Position: _____
Website: _____

Note: If additional experience, please list on a separate page.

Current Church Ministry (Most Recent)

Average Sunday School attendance: _____ Average morning worship: _____

Average annual baptisms: _____ Average annual transfers of membership: _____

Describe the church setting (rural/suburban/urban, growing/declining community, ethnic makeup, etc.)

What has God done during your ministry?

6. FAMILY – PERSONAL – CIVIC ACTIVITIES

In the space provided please list any hobbies, activities, civic organizations and/or free time activities in which you participate on a regular basis:

7. References

If you have not already provided us with references, please list below any that we may contact

Name	Position	Relationship to Applicant	Contact Info.
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May we contact your references? Yes _____ No _____

8. Regarding the confidentiality of my interest in placement: (circle a, b, or c)

- A. My desire for placement is already public. You may discuss this with anyone that's interested.
- B. My desire for placement is known only by a few. Please discuss this only with my board, asking at this stage they keep it strictly confidential.
- C. No one knows of my interest. At this stage, please do not discuss this with anyone but me.

- ❖ **Have you ever been dismissed from any ministerial position with any church or religious institution?** Yes _____ No _____
- ❖ **Have you ever been suspended or dismissed by an educational institution while preparing for ministry?** Yes _____ No _____
- ❖ **Have you ever resigned from any ministerial position with any church or religious organization to avoid dismissal or discipline?** Yes _____ No _____
- ❖ **Have you ever been convicted of a crime?** Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please provide an explanation on a separate piece of paper.

The information contained in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that providing false or misleading information on this application is ground for my immediate dismissal should I be hired.

Name (printed): _____

Date: _____

Name (signed): _____