



Lead Pastor

New Hope Church

Valparaiso, (Malden) IN

New Hope Church began as a church plant in Valparaiso, IN, and has since moved to the rural community of Malden, in Morgan Township, just south of the city of Valparaiso. Our congregation draws attenders from many nearby communities, representing a wide variety of backgrounds and providing us a broad mission field in the Porter County area. To learn more about us, visit our “New Hope Church Valparaiso” Facebook page.

Our Mission:

Committed to God

Committed to One Another

Committed to Reach the World

Position Description: The pastor of New Hope Church serves in a full-time salaried position, reporting to the church board, and is responsible for:

- Providing leadership
- Humbly shepherding the congregation
- Proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through preaching and teaching from the Bible
- Reaching out to the lost in our community and the world
- Remaining faithful in prayer

This position requires a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, a high degree of integrity, strong leadership skills that are grounded in the Bible, and the following qualifications:

- Minimum of 1 year in a full-time pastoral position, or relevant experience
- Bachelor’s degree in Biblical studies or equivalent
- Licensed (or able to be licensed) in the Missionary Church, USA denomination & supportive of the denomination’s interpretations and views of the Bible

Pastoral Responsibilities

- Consistent, regular study of scripture, other Christian material, and current events material
- Preparation and delivery of weekly sermons
- Teach classes as needed (Sunday School, vacation Bible school, membership classes, etc.)
- Crisis intervention and pre-marital counseling
- Hospital visitation to those from the church and ministry to their families
- Meet with families to plan and conduct funeral services and help them deal with their grief
- Regular visitation with the families of our church, either in their homes or in other settings
- Regular visitation in homes of those unable to attend church services, including serving them communion
- Prepare the order of worship for Sunday services
- Administer all church paperwork as required by the board and denomination, including preparation of the annual report for the congregation
- Preparation, along with the board chairman, of the agenda for monthly board meetings
- Active participation as a member of the church board. The pastor will not serve as board chairperson.
- Maintain a collection of church policies and bylaws
- Participate in local pastoral organizations
- Ensure church programs are administered effectively, including preparation of the church calendar, planning and scheduling worship services and special services, such as Christmas, Easter, child dedications, and baptismal services
- Officiate at weddings and funerals within the congregation if requested, according to church policies
- Attendance at annual district conference and other denominational meetings
- Completion of the annual statistical report for the denomination and the pastor's annual report
- Other duties as assigned by the church board or as the need arises

For Questions and/or To Apply

Email letter of interest and resume (including references) to: *Don Hand, New Hope Church Pastoral Search Committee Chair, at handomatic@gmail.com*