

August 1, 2021

Greetings, New Hope family!

APPLICATIONS ARE COMING IN!

The New Hope MBC Pastoral Position Announcement was posted on June 1, 2021. It will remain posted at least through August 31, 2021. The announcement and instructions on How to Apply can be found on the New Hope MBC website at www.newhope-mbc.org under Pastoral Search Applicant Portal. The position announcement was also posted with Ashland Theological Seminary, Ecumenical Theological Seminary, the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., the Metropolitan Baptist District Association, and the Wolverine Baptist State Convention.

There has been a steady flow of applications. We have received approximately six (6) applications per week since June 1st. The Committee is reviewing and screening applications as they arrive in preparation for Phase 5 – Candidate Contact

The PSC members continue to be prayerful as we review and screen each application. We solicit the prayers of the New Hope MBC family as well to remain open to seeing who God will reveal as our next Pastor.

The Pastoral Screening progress to-date is shown on the process wheel below.

PASTORAL SCREENING COMMITTEE NEWS

1 To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder and a witness of Christ's sufferings who also will share in the glory to be revealed: 2 Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; 3 not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. 4 And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. (1 Peter 5:1-4)

Pastoral Screening Committee Members

Trustee Jonathan Trout, Chairman Deacon Henderson Slaughter, Vice Chairman Rev. Valerie Crump, Secretary Sis. Jacqueline Bray, Assistant Secretary Deacon Bonnie Davison, Parliamentarian Bro. Jonathan Clark, Chaplain Trustee Willie Martin, Treasurer

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Phase 1 - Planning and Process Development

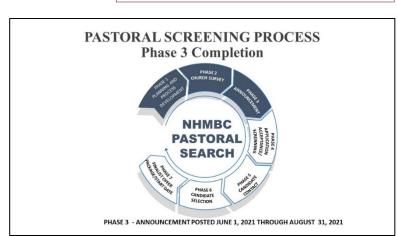
Phase 2 – Church Survey Phase 3 – Announcement

Phase 4 – Application Acceptance/Screening

Phase 5 – Candidate Contact

Phase 6 – Candidate Selection

Phase 7 – Finalist Offer/Start Date



NEXT STEP: We have begun to receive some applications thereby moving us into **Phase 4 – Application Acceptance and Screening.** During this period, the Pastoral Screening Committee has utilized the established and approved screening criteria to determine which applicants meet or exceed the minimum qualifications. We are prayerfully conducting a qualitative review of those applicants' experience and credentials for further consideration in Phase 5 of the screening process. Questions regarding the application process may be submitted to the Pastoral Screening Committee via email at nhmbcpsc@newhope-mbc.org only. No phone calls please.