

The Indianapolis, Indiana JOHN WESLEY FREE METHODIST CHURCH has an immediate need for a Director of Family Ministries / Pastor of Family Ministries. This is a fulltime position.

Reports to: Senior Pastor

POSITION PURPOSE AND SUMMARY:

To build young disciples for Christ by developing and implementing a comprehensive approach to family ministry (in the areas of group building, worship, discipleship, mentorship and fellowship) while serving as a spiritual leader and role model. The Director of Family Ministries has responsibility for, and provides oversight of, all church-related family activities.

- There shall be a comprehensive approach to the development and implementation of family ministries at John Wesley Free Methodist Church. This comprehensive approach is based on the understanding of the primary task to:
 - encourage children and families in developing their relationship with God
 - provide them with opportunities for development and growth
 - challenge them to respond to God's call to serve in their communities and world

ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES (not limited to the following):

- Teach, disciple and provide outreach opportunities for children and their families.
- Provide weekly activities for JWKids.
- Coordinate curriculum for children and help recruit teachers.
- Manage the budget of the ministry.
- Effectively and efficiently communicate using all available resources (email, website, bulletin, newsletter, bulletin board, etc.).
- Mentor children in developing their leadership skills.
- Be available to children and families when opportunities exist (i.e. lunch at school, attendance at extracurricular activities, visitation, times of crisis, etc.).
- Ensure that the Child Protection Policy is observed.
- Attend weekly staff meetings, and coordinate plans and activities with overall church functions.
- Be on time and prepared for all scheduled meetings.
- Participate in continuing education opportunities to stay current with children and family ministries, and include volunteer staff when appropriate.
- Must embrace Christian discipline and Free Methodist doctrine and theology.
- Create a positive engaging environment of love, prayer, and biblical support.
- Must establish and foster exemplary relationships with staff and volunteers.
- Perform other duties as assigned by the Senior Pastor.

Qualifications and Aptitudes:

- A bachelor's degree in a related field is highly recommended, or at least three to five years of experience.
- Must have vision and a demonstrated ability to plan, develop, coordinate, manage and implement a children's program within the parameters of the Free Methodist Church.

- Must have strong organizational abilities, be a good listener and willing to learn, excellent written and verbal communication skills, familiar with Microsoft Office, and other social media technology.
- Should have conflict management skills, be a team player, tact and compassionate, with an ability to work with volunteers and a diverse population.
- Must have a strong relationship with Jesus, and be enthusiastic and passionate about working with children and families.
- A commitment to the John Wesley Free Methodist Church and the connectional denomination.

For any questions and to apply contact Pastor Jen Finley at jen.finley@gmail.com or cell phone 847-370-9073.