

**LIVING HOPE CHURCH
313 N. JACKSON STREET
P.O. Box 472
PLENTYWOOD, MT 59254
(406) 895-2540**

CHURCH BIO:

Living Hope Church has been in the Plentywood community for 5 years and is affiliated with the Evangelical Free Churches of America. It is a congregationally directed church.

Plentywood is the county seat of Sheridan County located in NE Montana, with a population of approximately 1,900. A rural farming and ranching community, some of its amenities include K-12 school, hospital and nursing home, medical clinic, dental clinic, restaurants, grocery store, hardware stores, and library. Plentywood is close to a number of recreational areas and facilities and is located on the CanAM corridor between Saskatchewan, Canada and the United States. It's approximately one hour from the Williston, ND International Airport (KXWA) and two hours from Regina, Sask. Canada.

Living Hope Church has an average attendance of about 25. The facility and property are owned and the church has no debt. The sanctuary is modern, well maintained and includes a meeting/gathering room, kitchen, as well as several classrooms. The church is an active partner with CEF (Child Evangelism Fellowship) and sponsors an annual Good News Club and Five Day Club.

WHY WE ARE LOOKING FOR A PASTOR:

Our beloved pastor for the past three years was called by the Lord to serve another congregation.

PURPOSE STATEMENT:

To glorify God through worship, discipleship, and evangelism.

BIBLICAL QUALIFICATIONS:

The pastor shall be a man who has been called by God to give spiritual leadership to the church as it seeks to fulfill its stated purpose. This shall be expressed in a servant-leader attitude. He shall be motivated by the Holy Spirit and exhibit and demonstrate leadership in fulfilling the Great Commission by reaching out to the non-saved.

BIBLICAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

Preach and teach the inerrancy and sufficiency of the Word of God, earnestly guarding Biblical truth. Study, prepare, and preach gospel-centered, doctrinally sound sermons. Equip the saints for the work of ministry. Help provide oversight and direction for all ministry leaders and programs.

BIBLICAL TRAINING:

- Must agree with the Evangelical Free church of America (EFCA Statement of Faith).
- Ministerial experience (Pastor, Associate Pastor, Youth Pastor, Mission Field, other applicable experience).
- Must be a strong “people person”.
- If married, a wife who is supportive of his ministry.
- Passion for shepherding.

OTHER EXPECTATIONS:

- Provide counseling when needed.
- Officiate at weddings, funerals, and baptisms.
- Preside at special events, e.g. Christmas and Easter programs
- Visitation (hospital, care centers, families in crises)
- To serve on the Board of Elders, participating, but without a vote.

For more information contact,
Harlan Skillingberg (406) 895-2540
Ted Nordhagen (406) 385-2310