Position Description Whittier First Friends Church, a Quaker Meeting Associate Pastor

Whittier First Friends Church seeks a full time Associate Pastor who, first and foremost feels called by God to serve the needs of our community of Friends, and whose calling and ministry is a reflection of the Love that can be shared together. We believe each of us has a ministry, and that, as ministers, we differ not in status, but function. Each person ministers according to the gifts and call that God has given us through our shared Light.

Our Mission Statement

We seek to be a nurturing and loving community where people may experience the living light of Jesus Christ. We are called to be a people and a place where all may grow and witness in spirituality, love, community and service as each strives to follow Christ's leading and to seek that of God in each person. We strive to be a beacon of hope and light in the multi-cultural and economically diverse community of Whittier, and to be a loving fellowship in which members and inquirers will feel loved and accepted.

Job Responsibilities

- Educate, support and expand the diversity, equity and inclusion work within and outside the Meeting.
- Develop and support intergenerational and specific ministries with adults, children, youth and young adults, while empowering Friends' participation and leadership.
- Support an integrated connection to our Quaker Mission through fellowship and educational events.
- Understand methods of community organization and public prophetic ministry. Develop awareness of community needs and finding ways to advocate/bring justice.
- Foster a deeper relationship with the various groups meeting in our facilities.
- Strengthen the ministry and partnership with Whittier Friends School and the Meeting
- Attend Meeting for Worship, Monthly Meeting, Staff Meetings, and CEO. Attend other meetings as requested.
- Grow spiritually with the Meeting.
- Willingness to bring messages and verbal ministry, as led by the Spirit. Support and encourage others to also share their gifts of verbal ministry.
- Provide support to the Pastor in providing pastoral care to the meeting.
- Connect and serve with people who speak Spanish.

The Associate Pastor is responsible to the meeting through the Christian Education and Outreach (CEO) Committee.

This position requires fingerprinting, Live Scan and background checks.

Qualifications

- Experience in a Friends Meeting is preferred; however consideration will be given to applicants from any spiritual background with an understanding, awareness and willingness to engage with Friends' beliefs and Quaker process.
- Bilingual (Spanish) speaking preferred
- Involvement in a Meeting or Church setting.
- Experience or training with organization diversity work.
- Experience or training in community organizing and social services /social justice action.
- Fluency in computer skills and Social Media platforms. Willingness and ability to learn as new technology and software emerges.
- An ability to work remotely when need arises.
- A combination of skills, experience, and education that qualify the candidate to perform the functions of the position.

Compensation 48,500 – 58,500 dependent upon qualifications

Cover letter, resume and any questions can be sent to jobs@firstfriendswhittier.org

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