**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

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