


<b>Church or Organization *</b>	New Hope Community Church
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<b>Please describe the position to be filled.</b>	
<p>Essential skills:</p> <p>Demonstrated life experiences in building community partnerships in small to mid-size communities</p> <p>Excellent relational skills</p> <p>Ability to effectively communicate (verbal and written) the Word of God that embrace life applications</p> <p>Evidence of leadership skills in working with boards, ministry teams and other community partnerships</p> <p>Demonstrated evidence of a fruit-bearing leader who can expand the strategic mission to develop disciples who make disciples.</p> <p>Embraces the mission and promotes the values of the Free Methodist Church and the Acts 12:24 Conference to Steward, Expand and Multiply.</p> <p>Strengthen the global-local mission of the church that values diversity, corporate prayer by raising up leaders within the church to carry out the mission of Christ's Church.</p> <p>The salary-compensation package would be negotiated according to the needs of the pastor-family based on several factors including health insurance needs, housing arrangements (note: the church does not own a parsonage but provides a monthly housing allowance), etc.</p>	
<b>Please describe how you want potential applicants to respond to you.</b>	Via email or phone.  607-287-2828 <a href="mailto:jacksteele73@gmail.com">jacksteele73@gmail.com</a>

**Additional information of interest to applicants.**

Overview of the present church ministry and position summary:

New Hope Community Church is located in the Village of Walton, New York. The village population is a 3,000 and the town expands to 5,300. There are two major metropolitan areas within an hour that include Oneonta to the north and Binghamton to the west.

The church is strategically located next to the local High School/Middle School on a primary highway with great visibility. The church relocated to its present location in 2002 and owns 81 acres. In the past ten years, a full-size basketball court was added, along with a large covered pavilion for outdoor events. In 2026 a new fenced in playground will be added that expands our community partnerships. There is a large community room within the church that frequently hosts community events. The church is known for its significant community engagement and serves as a hub for many activities. Our community engagement is a core missional value.

The church is debt-free and is financially sound. The average attendance in 2025 was 141 and saw numerical growth the past two years.

The church is seeking a pastor who has a heart and vision for making disciples of Christ, and embraces our core value of being missional at home and abroad. The pastoral candidate will find an active mission's team, a strong ministry through Operation Christmas Child, a budding teen ministry, a weekly Soup-It-Up meal provided to the community free of charge, as well as other community partnerships. These ministries are coordinated through leadership teams within the church. There are also seasonal Life-Groups that meet and other spiritual opportunities in the church for the congregation to learn, pray and serve together.

**When do you intend to close this posting and no longer receive applications?**

Monday, June 1, 2026