Job Title: Ministry Resident – Children's Ministry, Preaching, and Church Development

Position Type: 3/4-Time (Salary Range: \$30,000–\$50,000)

Reports to: Associate Pastor

Location: Bridgewood Church, Savage, MN

Overview:

Bridgewood Church is seeking a Ministry Resident who is either a **recent college graduate**, currently **enrolled in** a ministry-focused graduate program, or a **recent seminary graduate**. This full-time position offers hands-on, mentored ministry experience for someone discerning a long-term calling to church leadership.

The role includes leadership in children's ministry, monthly preaching, teaching one day per week in a homeschool co-op, and broader pastoral opportunities based on gifting—including potential involvement in church planting and outreach.

Our ministry context is **contemporary and innovative**, while remaining deeply rooted in our core values: **Scripture**, **Prayer**, **the Holy Spirit**, **and Advancing God's Kingdom**. The ideal candidate will hold **biblical (conservative) convictions**, demonstrate an understanding of the **general principles of a Reformational worldview**, and be able to engage relationally and respectfully with people from a variety of backgrounds. We seek someone who brings **theological clarity with humility** and thrives in a **team-first**, **servant-hearted** environment.

We are also open to **bi-vocational candidates** or those who feel called to **church planting**, **high school campus ministry**, or similar outreach efforts. We are willing to provide flexibility and space for **support raising and scheduling adjustments** that align with those callings.

Primary Responsibilities:

1. Children's Ministry Leadership (40%)

- Oversee and develop Sunday morning programming for children (PreK–Grade 5)
- Recruit, train, and support volunteers
- Implement gospel-centered curriculum
- Cultivate discipleship-oriented environments for children and families
- Maintain a safe, welcoming, and joy-filled classroom culture

2. Preaching and Worship Involvement (20%)

Preach up to once per month in various worship settings (main service, assisted living, etc.)

- Participate in sermon planning and feedback sessions with pastoral mentors
- Teach and train in classrooms and with volunteers as needed

3. Homeschool Co-op Teaching (15%)

- Teach one day per week in Bridgewood's homeschool co-op (subject based on skillset)
- Promote a biblical worldview through instruction and mentoring
- Collaborate with other instructors and co-op leaders

4. General Pastoral and Administrative Duties (15%)

- Support ministries such as youth, small groups, pastoral care, or communications
- Participate in staff planning, meetings, and seasonal events
- Assist in outreach and discipleship initiatives

5. Church Planting and Leadership Development (10%)

- Engage in monthly training and exposure to church planting models
- Participate in mission, vision, and leadership development gatherings
- Explore future roles in church multiplication efforts

Qualifications:

- **Recent college graduate**, or currently enrolled in (or recently completed) a ministry-focused master's program (M.Div. or equivalent; hybrid format acceptable)
- Familiarity with the **general principles of a Reformational worldview** (e.g., God's sovereignty, the authority of Scripture, grace-centered salvation, and cultural engagement)
- Able to affirm a **biblical view of marriage** as a covenant between one man and one woman
- Relationally mature and able to engage respectfully with people from diverse church and cultural backgrounds
- Comfortable and experienced (or willing to be trained) in working with children and volunteers
- Humble, teachable, and committed to collaborative ministry
- Able to preach and teach with clarity, grace, and biblical conviction
- Passionate about serving the local church and open to exploring long-term leadership or church planting

Compensation:

• \$30,000–\$50,000 annual salary, depending on experience

- Note: This position does not include additional benefits (healthcare, retirement, etc.)
- Flexible schedule to support ongoing seminary coursework and intensives
- Ongoing mentorship, leadership development, and preaching feedback
- Willingness to explore bi-vocational or support-based options for specific callings

To Apply:

Please send your **resume**, a **cover letter** describing your interest and calling, and a **sermon sample** (video or manuscript) to **PastorLuke@Bridgewood.org**.

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