Children's Pastor

Life Church Utah West Valley City, UT

At Life Church Utah, we are called to lead the people of the valley to be more like Jesus. We do this through a fierce commitment to Biblical Truth, deep Intentional Love of others, and through Radical Generosity. To fulfill the vision, we need to be more like Jesus through discipleship. For us, discipleship is expressed through Trust and Transformation - denying ourselves and taking up the cross - both internally and externally. Not only do we value this for the people of Life Church Utah, but there is an ongoing commitment to make this a reality for the staff as well. We are intentional in providing spiritual growth opportunities for those who are doing the work of ministry so they can be healthy in their service.

Life Church Utah is located in West Valley City, Utah. The church has had a continuous presence in this part of the Salt Lake Valley since the mid-1960's. Throughout these years, Life Church Utah has reached our community faithfully. Since the mid 70's, we have been situated on the corner of Bangerter Highway and 4700 south, a visible space that has allowed the Church broad access to the people of our community. We also have a Spanish Language service that is offered each weekend at the West Valley Campus. Our core ministry is Life Groups that meet in homes, businesses, outdoors, etc, to build community and faith.

Life Church Utah also has an extensive outreach to our community. We currently feed around 300 families per week through partnerships with the state, county, and city. Throughout the year, we also partner with local elementary schools for unique opportunities to bless families.

With some significant transitions behind us, we look forward to new opportunities that are ahead of us. The team is unified in our vision and values. The church is growing with an influx of the unchurched and those stepping away from the LDS faith. The Children's Pastor role will be essential as we move to implement the vision and values broadly in the lives of our families and their children, birth through 5th grade. Continuing the growth in our context is going to take innovative ideas and compassion for the obvious needs due to where we are located. There are unique expressions for ministry that are waiting to be discovered!

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- O Strategically implement the vision and values of Life Church Utah
- O Protect and promote the culture of the church
- O Oversee all programming for children throughout the church. (Birth 5th grade)
- O Establish and maintain a security system that protects children in our church's care.
- O Plan and oversee special events related to children and families
- O In consultation with the Lead Pastor, define a vision for the children's ministry that contributes to the church's overall vision. Develop a ministry plan to achieve that vision.



- O Recruit, develop, and deploy children's ministry volunteers.
- O Regularly report to the church's leadership about the accomplishments of the children's ministry.
- O Maintain the integrity of the children's Bible teaching time by ensuring the instruction is consistent with the doctrinal convictions of the church.
- O Manage all children's ministry staff that work with children from birth through 5th grade.
- O Identify and execute ministry and missions opportunities for children to participate in.
- O Be available to preach and teach the Bible in adult worship service when asked.
- O Explore emerging technologies that help engage more volunteers in the ministry of the church.
- O In consultation with other children's ministry leaders and senior church leadership, develop an annual budget for the children's ministry and operate within the constraints of that budget.
- O Review all curriculum used by the children's ministry and ensures they are consistent with the church's doctrinal commitments.
- O Participate in general pastoral duties as needed (weddings, funerals, counseling, etc.).

REQUIREMENTS

- O Education appropriate to ministry responsibilities and expectations..
- O 3 years of experience in a full-time ministry situation with children.
- O A desire to teach and mentor children in biblical truth.
- O A growing Christian faith and character.
- O Ability to pass a background check.
- O Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- O Understanding of and willingness to serve within the doctrinal commitments of the church.
- O A commitment to the mission of the church.
- O A sense of calling toward pastoral ministry.
- O A lifestyle congruent with the biblical requirements for leaders (1 Tim. 3:1-13; 2 Tim. 2; Titus 1:5-9).

CURRENT STAFF

Rich Wooten - Lead Pastor Natasha Hansen (FT) - Discipleship, Outreach, Missions Francisco Teodoro (FT) - Español Campus Cameron Wall (PT) - Worship

Kelsey Langenegger (PT) - Media & Communications (website & video)

Skyler Raxtun (FT) - Receptionist

Carrie Valencia - Director of Kids Life ChildCare (Daycare)

Shellie Wooten (PT)- Women's, Missions, Senior Life, Missions Cafe, Kids (Interim)

Jeff Hansen (PT), Miriam Ellis (PT), Anna Dant (PT) - Facilities & Custodial

LIVING IN UTAH

Life Church Utah is located in West Valley City at a significant crossroad of Bangerter Highway and 4700 South. West Valley City, the second largest city in Utah (140,000) is among the most diverse cities with about 1/3 of the population who are of Hispanic or Latino history. The median age is 27 years. Nearly 10% of our city live below the poverty line.

Utah is consistently ranked in the top 5 best states in the country according to U.S. News & World Report and is one of the fastest growing metropolitan areas in the country. Nestled along Utah's Wasatch Mountains, we have one of the country's best backyards. Five national parks and several world-class ski resorts are within easy driving distance. Salt Lake City is known for being family friendly and accessible. The outdoors are a significant part of the life of many who call Utah home!

Life Church Utah

Average Attendance - 800 Sunday AM (2 services, adults, youth, children)

Children Specific Elementary - 35 1st service

45 2nd service

Children Specific 3-4 yo 14 1st service

20 2nd service

Children Specific Inf-Toddler 12 1st service

17 2nd service

165 Sunday PM (Spanish Service, adults, youth children)

LifeGroups - 15 English, 17 Spanish

(FT - Full Time, PT - Part Time)