



EMMANUEL INTERNATIONAL CHURCH

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EMMANUEL INTERNATIONAL CHURCH, TERNES

JOB DESCRIPTION

PASTOR

Summary

EIC Ternes is looking for a lead pastor answering a divine calling to minister to this international congregation and community in Paris. We seek leadership committed to doing God's work, God's way.

By God's way, we mean - upholding the Biblical qualifications of elders as outlined in 1 Timothy 3:1-7; 4:6-15; and Titus 1:6-9, and the authority and sufficiency of the Word of God.

By God's work, we mean - committed to the great commission to *make disciples of all nations* (Mt 28:16-20), in accordance with the vision statement of the EIC family of churches.

Who we are

Emmanuel International Church (EIC) Ternes proudly celebrated its third anniversary, beginning as a church plant in the 17th arrondissement of Paris in April 2018. EIC Ternes is a plant from EIC Rueil Malmaison, its sister church, which serves the Western suburbs of Paris and is a multicultural, multiethnic international church with 30+ nationalities represented. Ternes is a strategic community inside the Peripherique (the Paris perimeter road) easily accessible on public transport. It is located near English speaking schools, Embassies, the American Hospital of Paris, the business district of La Defense and is home to many English speaking expats. EIC Ternes currently meets on Sunday afternoons in a church shared with a like-minded French-speaking Evangelical congregation and currently has 30 members from 11+ countries and an average attendance of 36 every Sunday including children. There is a healthy mix of families and young professional worshippers each week.

Both EIC churches operate as a family of churches with many shared resources and are seeking to plant other churches in the Paris area in the near future as part of our shared vision: "We are a family of thankful churches in Paris, worshipping Jesus, trusting the Bible, believing the gospel, and loving the city." We desire to see gospel-centered communities of light in the City of Lights! EIC is affiliated with

the International Baptist Convention (IBC) and the Fédération des Eglises Evangéliques Baptistes de France (FEEBF).

Where we are

Paris is a city of about 12 million people, which is the largest urban population in Europe. For these 12 million people, there are very few Christ-centered, Gospel-proclaiming churches and even fewer serving the English community : a conservative estimate is that there are 3-4 million English language people in Paris. Depending on how inclusive you want to be on doctrine, there are less than a dozen English-language churches in which someone might hear the gospel. Given the secular nature of the city, the gospel harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few!

Responsibilities

- Serves as the first among equals within the Elder team, in day-to-day ministry, and accountable to the wider congregation. With his leadership, the Elder team will drive the mission, ministry and policies for the local congregation
- Prepares and leads the regular expository preaching and teaching ministry for the church in accordance with our Statement of Faith
- Leads the discipleship of the members and lay leaders of the church, including pastoral care, counselling, leadership development, and hospitality
- Actively collaborates with the larger EIC Family of Churches Council as a steward of the vision of the church, including attending weekly staff meetings and monthly council meetings, as outlined in the EIC Family of Churches document
- In coordination with EIC Family of Churches Council, plays a key role in overseeing the administrative aspects of the church's ministry, including engagement with our denominational affiliations
- Coordinates and leads weekly worship services
- Structures and oversees a healthy church calendar according to the needs of the congregation
- Grows with and adapts to the changing needs of the church

Support

This is largely a support raised position, though the church will offer some financial benefits that will reduce cost of living in Paris.

Essential Qualifications

- A pattern of practicing personal disciplines of grace

- Belief in the church statement of faith, mission and vision
- Formal theological education
- Experience within a church-elected pastoral leadership team

Preferred Qualifications

- MDiv or higher education
- Experience with ministering to an international congregation within an urban context
- Experience discipling others who are in transient seasons
- French language competency

How to Apply

Please send an email with your CV attached to pastorsearch@eicparis.org