Kenaston Evangelical Missionary Church is now seeking applications for a lead pastor position in Kenaston SK. Kenaston Evangelical Church has a rich 110 year history in the community and really is a community church. We are affiliated with the Evangelical Missionary Church in Canada denomination.

As a congregation we are looking for a Pastor who is led by God to lead in the work He has planned for the church in our community. Even though Sunday morning numbers can be small, the community looks to The Church on The Hill, as it is commonly known, for spiritual guidance in both good and bad times. Candidates should be comfortable with visitation of both church goers and community members. Our mission statement as of now is "Making Relationships Real" and we truly live by that mission. We are working to build relationships that will lead people to Christ and feel that is at the heart of our ministry in Kenaston at this time. Being willing to be involved in the community would be a major asset. There is a strong core group of believers in the church who need to be fed and led to do the work we as a church are called to. Strong Biblical based preaching is expected and vital to the outreach of our community. There are many opportunities in all age ranges for outreach, evangelism, support and ministry. The community may be small but there is a large surrounding community with not too many other evangelical churches close by.

Please send inquiries and resumes to John Collins, <u>jocsalers@msn.com</u> or call 306 567-7872. Salary will be negotiated. We will be accepting applications till the position is filled and not all applicants will be contacted. Please see attached documents on the community and the church. Thank you for prayerfully considering to be our next Pastor at The Church on The Hill.

Kenaston Community Profile for Kenaston Evangelical Missionary Church 2018

Kenaston is located in central Saskatchewan. It is located at the intersection of Highways 11 and 15, two major highways in Saskatchewan, one running north south through the province and the other running east west throughout the province. Kenaston is about 45 minutes south of Saskatoon and 90 minutes north of Regina, our provinces two largest cities. We are a smaller community, about 300, but with many things to offer. We have an exceptional community atmosphere, a fantastic K-12 school and Distance Learning Centre, grocery store, bank, post office, restaurant, seniors centre, large community hall, covered swimming pool, skating rink and other recreational facilities. We have a large area we can service as a church as the next closest Evangelical churches are in Davidson, 25 minutes, Outlook 35 minutes or Saskatoon, 45 minutes. The larger area would service 1000 people. For more information on the community of Kenaston and the surrounding are please visit the Kenaston website at, www.kenaston.ca.

Kenaston Evangelical Missionary Church Profile 2018

Kenaston Evangelical Missionary Church, or The Church On The Hill as we often call it, is located in the centre of town, on the top of the hill on Main Street. It was founded in 1909 and has been the beacon on the hill ever since. Although it hasn't always been a large congregation, it has always been the community's church. People may not always show up Sunday morning but in times of celebration or need, The Church On The Hill is who they call on. As all small towns have experienced, our population and congregation size has fluctuated both in size and demographics. Over the last 30 years there has been a real maturing within the community with a recent influx of the younger generation moving home to raise their young families. This being said, there is a new, younger population boom in Kenaston and the surrounding area. Also, with the proximity to Saskatoon there has been a few families moving

to Kenaston and commuting to Saskatoon. Agriculture is still the main occupation within the church and community with some professionals, small business owners and trades people within the community.

Physically the Church On The Hill is a nice sized church. The sanctuary and basement, the two main spaces used for ministry are approximately 1500 square feet with a reasonably sized foyer. The building was built in 1909 but has been very well maintained over the years. The sanctuary holds about 100. Also, the church owns a 1400 square foot parsonage built in 1980. It is a half block from the church, a block from the main businesses in town and a block from the school. It also has been well kept with a major overhaul 15 years ago. It has 3 bedrooms and a bath and a half upstairs as well as one bedroom, an office and full bath in the finished basement. Laundry is on the main floor and some appliances are there as well.

Our church family has been stable throughout its existence. Yes attendance and giving has fluctuated but it has followed the town as well. Our last two pastors have served long terms in the congregation and have been well supported. They served 10 and 13 years respectively, one leaving ministry and one retiring. Over the last 5 years our attendance has been steady. We have consistently been around 30 regular attenders over these years. This consistency in congregation has also seen consistency in our offerings as well. Our Sunday school numbers are currently around 5-10 with a couple younger children moving in to classes shortly with no kids graduating out right away. We have a very active ladies group with around 12 ladies regularly attending and our mid week Bible Study has 6-10 attending. There is opportunity for more involvement in all of these areas and community outreach has opportunities as well. Our congregation is aging and even though there has been an influx into our community of younger families we have not seen them come to church as of yet.

As a whole we have an active and committed congregation. We have many talented people with numerous and valuable gifts within. The lay leadership in the church has been very stable over many years. There is a devoted group of people with different backgrounds and talents that compliment each other well to get the business of the church accomplished. We have talented people willing to help plan, lead, and play for worship on a regular basis. We have a limited in number but very committed and passionate people teaching Sunday School and have done so for many years. The children are well taught and are challenged through what they learn. We have others in the congregation with a heart for missions, hospitality as well as a few that are able to teach and preach. God's hand has been in this church for many years and there have been many fruits seen as a result of their faithfulness.