

Church and Community Portfolio

One of the most helpful things that you as the pastor search team will do for your next pastor is to prepare a portfolio of your church and community. The portfolio will be shared with the minister you interview as a potential pastor. This portfolio will also enable the potential pastor to pray for specifically about God's will concerning his becoming your pastor. The following items are suggestions for the portfolio:

CHURCH DOCUMENTS:

1. Constitution and bylaws
2. Church budget
3. History of the church
4. Pictorial directory
5. Church's Annual church Profile (last 3-5 years)
6. List of all church officers
7. List of all organizational leaders
8. Copies of recent worship bulletins
9. Copies of recent newsletters
10. Pictures of the church and community
11. Church's mission/vision statement
12. Church's long-range goals
13. Statement of church's outreach/evangelism program
14. Other

CHURCH NETWORK AND STATE CONVENTION DOCUMENTS:

1. Heartland Church Network's latest annual report
2. Recent copy of the Heartland Happenings and convention newsletters
3. Copy of history of SBC work in Nebraska
4. Biographical profile of the director of missions
5. Other

COMMUNITY DOCUMENTS

1. Chamber of commerce promotional pieces
2. Most recent census statistics
3. Map of the community, especially a map of the church field (mark the location of the church)
4. Information about schools
5. Free magazines of homes for sale in the church area
6. Map of the state (mark the location of the church)
7. Other