



New senior pastor vacancy

at Raumati Beach Church
Kapiti Coast, New Zealand



About Raumati Beach Church

In September 2020 our previous pastors of 9 years moved on to take up an oversight position in our lead church in Christchurch www.vineyard.co.nz. We felt God direct us to respond to the unusual challenges since then to work collegially and purposefully to keep our doors open and services running every week.

One of the distinctives of our church has been its commitment to a bicultural journey – moving forward in partnership between Tāngata Whenua and Tāngata Tiriti. The original intent of the Treaty remains important to us at Beach Church, which is partnership, protection and participation. We had very successful hui in 2018 and 2019, and we want to rebuild momentum with a new pastor who carries the vision for this journey.

We are a values-driven church, pentecostal in style, committed to five aspirational key values:

- Of openness to the Holy Spirit;
- Uncompromised belief in the Bible as the inspired Word of God.
- Commitment to the Great Commission;
- A commitment to a Bicultural Journey; and
- Manaakitanga.

The church meets in its own premises near the beach in Raumati, and has been renovated and refurbished. We are now seeking a community-focussed pastor to help us reach those around us and to help maximise use of our building to establish a presence in our community. [profile of our community](#)

We also have a House Church in Plimmerton that was once part of a former Church called "Beachside". We would like our new pastor to be an encouragement and a resource to help shape their connection with their community.

The role of the pastor

This position will give responsibility for the spiritual leadership of the Church and the outworking of its aspirational core values in everyday life, as well as direct oversight of a committed team of part-time personnel and volunteers. There will be a team of trustees & elders who will support good governance.



The kind of person we are looking for will ideally already be/have:

- Gifted in preaching/ teaching and be at home ministering in the Spiritual Gifts.
- A proven commitment to the bi-cultural journey.
- A proven commitment of community engagement.
- Previous experience in leadership or a pastoring role in a church.
- Good organisational skills, leading initiatives.
- Some theological/bible college training with a uncompromising belief in the Bible as the inspired and powerful Word of God.
- Some missions exposure.
- A proven commitment to [Vineyards DNA](#) and [Statement of Faith](#)
- Met biblical requirements for eldership (1 Timothy 3 / Titus 1) - especially being given to hospitality.
- Have good pastoral skills.

Applicants for this position will need to have NZ residency or a valid NZ work visa and complete a satisfactory police check. We are open to exploring a husband and wife shared role in the leadership of our church.

If you are keen to lead us on the next stage of our journey, as we outwork our five key values in real life, we would love to hear from you. Contact Gradon Harvey (Chair of the recruitment committee) for further information (021 720777) or email application to pastorsearch@beachchurch.org.nz.