**Ararat Lead Pastor Position**

Hilltop.Church Ballarat invites expressions of interest for the role of Lead Pastor (part-time) at the **Ararat Community Church** under the leadership of (and responsible to) the Senior Pastor and Board of Hilltop.Church Ballarat & Ararat Community Church.

Ararat is a city of approximately 11,000 people (Census 2016).

<https://welcomingcities.org.au/network/ararat-rural-city-council/>

<https://www.travelvictoria.com.au/ararat/>

The Ararat Community Church currently meets each Sunday morning at their own facility, with a core group of around 20 attendees.

The Lead Pastor position requires the candidate to live in Ararat conducting programs and activities at (and as an extension of) the Ararat Community Church.

The successful candidate will ideally include spouse (and children if applicable).

**Required** - minimum CRC Trainee Pastor credential

- ability to part-time self-support until church growth enables increased remuneration

- willingness to work as part of a team under instruction

- move to and live in Ararat with spouse (and children if applicable) to interact as part of the Ararat Community

The Lead pastor will be responsible initially for ensuring the delivery of 5 main areas of ministry:

- **Sunday service**: conducting a weekly contemporary Sunday service.

- **Children’s Ministry**: initially operating a Children’s Church during the Sunday service, with further options explored around a Community Outreach activity as described below.

- **Community outreach activity**: establishing and operating a weekly Children’s activity mid-week aimed at reaching young families.

- **Music/Worship**: Steering the continuation and development of a Worship team.

- **Connect Groups**: establishing an ongoing culture of weekly Connect Groups.

Further details of the above ministries will be discussed for development as part of the application process.

To submit an initial application please follow the link below.

<https://hilltopchurches.elvanto.com.au/form/bf51e45b-c4dc-496d-a5da-4d727a241eef>

**Applications close December 16th, 2019.**