

## **Music Director Job Description**

<b>Job Title:</b>	Music Director, Celestial Voices Choir, Beth Eden Baptist Church
<b>Job Type:</b>	Part Time
<b>Work Hours:</b>	Flexible
<b>Contract Period:</b>	Negotiable
<b>Reports to:</b>	Personnel Committee
<b>Evaluated by:</b>	Personnel Committee
<b>Salary:</b>	Negotiable

### **General Description:**

A vibrant urban church is seeking a Music Director to provide God- centered, Christ Exalting Music that ministers to the church body and is performed with excellence in accordance with our mission of a Faith Based Walk with Christ. Our vision is to be a Christian community, joyful and passionate in our pursuit of God and in our relationships with one another, as we share with the world the life changing gospel of Jesus Christ.

### **General Information:**

The Celestial Voices Music Director will help provide musical leadership within the Music department of the church and during worship services working with the Church Organist and the Pianist of Celestial Voices. This is a 12 month, salaried, part-time (5-7 hours/week) position. Flexible schedule must include weekly practice and Sunday Morning worship service as well as some Sunday afternoon services that may require Travel. Specific assignments include First, Second and Third Sunday 10:45 am Worship Services in addition to 6:00 pm Thursday rehearsals preceding those 3 Services. Additional Rehearsals shall be scheduled when deemed appropriate to strive for musical excellence for performance by the choir and/or special soloists.

### **The Successful Candidate must:**

Have a vital relationship with Jesus Christ, showing evidence of this through the practice of spiritual disciplines, dependence on the Holy Spirit, and the spiritual fruit. Clearly articulate a testimony of faith in Jesus Christ, and evidence a joyful heart in serving Him. Be energetic and outgoing. Proactively seek to develop strong personal relationships with the music ministry and the at large congregation of Beth Eden Baptist Church. Possess knowledge of theologically rich music appropriate for “blended” worship which includes traditional and modern hymns along with contemporary praise

music. Must be comfortable with directing various music styles, ministering to a range of individuals and generations and choirs utilizing various instruments (organ, piano, drum, keyboard, guitar, etc.). Must have a demonstrated proficiency in directing choirs.

**Specific Responsibilities:**

1. Aide in planning and administering the worship music program for the church, in consultation with choirs.
2. Aide in selecting and directing of the repertoire for the choirs that includes anthems, traditional gospel, contemporary gospel, spirituals, and instrumental music for worship services and special church events.
3. Check with president of each choir for rehearsal times.
4. Be available to serve and/or schedule instrumentalists at weddings, funerals, and other special services as schedule permits. Arrange for substitute with consent of Trustee Board in the event of absence.
5. Monitor the condition and conduct routine maintenance of the church's musical instruments and make recommendations to Personnel Committee and Board of Trustees regarding their upkeep.
6. Select, prepare and direct music for special services that fall upon various worship service Sundays, e.g., Christmas Program, Easter Sunrise Service, Easter Sunday.

**Job Qualifications:**

1. Prefer Bachelor's degree, preferably in music and 5 years music experience
2. Experience and demonstrated proficiency in choral directing accompanied with organ and piano with ability to read music and work with choirs and soloists.
3. Experience in the selection and directing of choral music which reflects a broad variety of musical periods and styles.
4. Collegial approach to working with others, including choir members, musicians, other church directors and instrumentalists
5. Appreciation of music as part of the worship experience and sensitivity to the worship needs of the congregation.

To apply please submit letter of interest and resume` to Beth Eden Baptist Church, Attn: Personnel Committee, 1183-10<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland, CA 94607.