

Grace Oviedo Connections Pastor

About Grace Church

Grace is one non-denominational church (Reformed Theology) worshipping in four local campuses around the greater Orlando area, with a mission to help people take their next step toward Christ. Our model gives us the strength and resources of a larger church with the community and neighborhood-feel of a small one. We have in-person pastors and leaders at all of our campuses, allowing us to connect with people and teach the Bible in ways that speak to each unique community. It also allows us to resource and train as many next generation leaders as possible for the gospel of Jesus Christ.

About Oviedo, Florida

Oviedo is a central Florida city with a population of around 37,000. Oviedo is on the outskirts of Orlando, the third largest metropolitan area in Florida that is home to nearly 1.8 million people. World renown theme parks form the backbone of Orlando's tourism industry, making the city the most visited city in the United States.

Oviedo is close in proximity to The University of Central Florida and Central Florida Research Park, making it an attractive area for new developments and a great place to live that is close to the city of Orlando, but still separate from it. Oviedo is known for being family friendly, with many people choosing Oviedo and the Winter Springs area for the outstanding Seminole County public school system, ranked 3rd in the state of Florida in 2019. In 2013, Oviedo was named on Bloomberg's "The Best Places to Raise Kids," and Money Magazine's Best Places to Live list in 2009.

About the Connections Pastor Position

The Connections Pastor/Director will be a highly motivated leader who enjoys connecting with people and helping them take their next steps at Grace—moving people from first-time guest to full participation in the church. He will help people connect in three primary ways: to each other (in small groups), to ministry (through serving), and to the church (through membership). Practically, the Connections Director/Pastor will oversee Guest Services, Grace Communities, volunteer assimilation, membership, and special events.

Requirements and Qualifications

The ideal candidate for this position has three to five years of ministry experience, and, preferably, additional strong customer service experience. They have a high level of emotional intelligence and use that gift to make guests feel like family. They have a

proven record of recruiting and equipping high-capacity leaders. They have a track record of delegating work and ministry tasks and effectively creating systems to do so, and they have a heart for hospitality and an attentiveness for improving details of the guest experience for everyone from first-time visitor to long-time member.

Personal Characteristics

- has an active walk with Christ and is consistently exhibiting a Christ-like character
- has a very strong work ethic
- is a charismatic leader that is goal and action oriented
- is a strong communicator in classroom and training settings
- possesses an authentic, genuine spirit in their faith, work, and relationships
- is a highly organized self-starter, who has the ability to troubleshoot and create processes and systems with a strong eye for detail
- is strongly gifted in the area of leading and shepherding, and knows how to train leaders and delegate ministry tasks and assignments
- is highly emotionally intelligent, with a skill and gift for remembering people, listening, understanding, and connecting people with each other and helping them understand where they fit in the big picture of Grace
- is a team player who enjoys having fun with a staff team

Primary Duties

- take leadership and ownership of connections ministries, growing and nurturing this ministry as a part of their leadership
- build strong relationships and trust with the members, visitors, and community of Grace Church
- lead a team of volunteer ministry leaders to ensure successful weekend services and an intentional strategy for connecting people to serving and in Grace Communities
- collaborate with the Orlando Connections Pastor to implement Grace's uniform strategy of serving and Grace Communities for assimilation and care
- work with the Pastor of Care & Counseling to help Grace Communities care for their own members, assisting in guidance and leadership where needed in organizing meal trains, hospital visits, and care duties
- grow in connection with the teaching pastors and the church in order to understand the direction of message series and assist with writing follow up questions to be utilized in Grace Communities