

Tamarack Road Church of Christ

Expectations for the Preaching Minister- 2009

- 1) Lead a life that seeks to honor God, deepen personal faith, fulfill his family responsibilities with high priority as a husband and father, and love people.
- 2) Strive to develop and maintain relationships creating opportunities to share Jesus.
- 3) Preach with conviction, prayerful approach, spirit-led, relevant, and biblical messages.
- 4) Work collectively with staff, shepherds, deacons, and members to serve this congregation in a loving manner.
- 5) Finding refreshment and renewal that doesn't depend on self-discipline only, but thru the Holy Spirit's renewing and rejuvenating work in your life and that of the church family.
- 6) Believing the Bible to be God's revealed message and the source of ultimate truth for all our lives.
- 7) Not afraid to share your weaknesses with the congregation, not to condone it, but to let everyone know that you like them are praying daily to be more like Christ in living your life.
- 8) Recognizing that as a minister you have a duty to preach the truth as revealed in the scripture, but yet aware that ones perception of the truth may change as he grows deeper in Christ and the word.
- 9) Willing to counsel members of the community and church family, but being aware of your limitations and who can provide additional therapy when needed.
- 10) Being a good manager of your home: house in order – children are polite and respectful, and a good manager of your family finances.
- 11) Helping the church family to reach out to people in our community by example and by teaching.

Here are some demographics of Altus and the Tamarack Road Church of Christ that may be helpful as you consider moving to Altus. We are a community of close to 25,000 people. Our trade area is much larger, pulling from 25 to 50 miles, depending on the direction. We have an excellent school system with several teachers in our Tamarack family. The two largest sources of income to Altus are the farming community and Altus Air Force Base (Altus AFB). Our farming is mostly cotton, wheat and cattle. The Air base has a long history as a training base and is a large employer. Another large industry is Bar S Foods. Their products are Franks, Lunchmeat, Smoked Sausage, Bacon and Ham. They have several other locations besides Altus. Also, Jackson County Memorial Hospital is a large employer.

Below are some web sites that will tell you more about the Altus community.

<http://www.bar-s.com/bar-s-products.html>

<http://www.altus.af.mil/>

<http://www.jcmh.com/>

<http://www.altusschools.k12.ok.us/district/>

<http://www.cityofaltus.org/>

Our congregation web site is <http://www.tamarackroad.com/index.html>. Our history will tell you that our building located for many years on Thomas Street burned to the ground December 7, 2005. We are now in a new location on a busy thru fare named Tamarack Road. The 20,000 square foot bldg is debt free. Our auditorium will seat about 650. It has professionally installed audio and video equipment. We have MediaShout 4 software on the Auditorium computer. Wired and wireless internet connections are available throughout the building.

We have a food ministry that is recognized as one of the best. We serve several families each week through the food room. Many of the families are referred to us by the Dept of Human Services. We have had an active prayer ministry since September 1994 that has touched the lives of people throughout the United States. We are continuing to experience growth in number with visitors every Sunday.

Our average Sunday morning attendance the last six months for Bible class was 103 and attendance for worship was 194. Wednesday evening attendance: 101

Our current directory shows the following demographics of our church family:

Widows & widowers of all age:	22	(three Widowers)
Singles of all ages:	18	(including college age)
Younger Couples	30	
Middle age couples	24	
Retirement age couples	22	
Youth (6 th to 12 th grade)	29	
Participate in youth group:		attendance is between 13 and 21 in youth class.

Yours in Christ,

The Elders at Tamarack Road

Bobby Taylor, Robert Bowers, Darrell Norton, Bobby Henry, Don Hayes

