



New Valley Church

Chandler, AZ

The opportunity

New Valley Church (newvalleychurch.org) is a vibrant and growing PCA (<https://pcanet.org/>) church in Chandler, AZ (a suburb of Phoenix). New Valley was planted in 2004 and is rooted in a gospel-centered and outward-focused philosophy of ministry. We consistently connect with unchurched and de-churched people, and most of our people are not from a PCA background. We average about 350 in our Sunday morning services and have about 550 people who are members or regular attendees..

New Valley's values are:

- Authentic Community
- Gospel Growth
- Kingdom Mission

We are committed to working alongside others for the flourishing of our great city and we enjoy strong ties to The Surge Network (<https://www.surgenetwork.com/>) and The Missional Training Center (<https://www.missionaltraining.org/>). We planted a daughter church in downtown Phoenix (<https://www.ascensionphx.org/>) and have a vision to see other churches planted. We value and enjoy warm friendship and deep unity among our pastors, officers, and staff and we experienced that even through the recent cultural upheaval of the last several years.

New Valley is seeking a full-time assistant pastor or director to students. We have about 60 students in our ministry, including 6th-12th grade and we average about 35-40 in our main weekly gathering. We have a very strong team of youth leaders (nine currently).

The Community

The greater Phoenix area is home to nearly five million people, and continues to grow at a rapid pace. Phoenix is a blend of cultures as there are more transplants from the Midwest and California than there are native Arizonans. Phoenix has a very casual feel and would have more in common with Southern California than a more traditional Southwestern city. According to Barna, Phoenix is among the ten most unchurched metro areas in America and yet is home to many healthy and kingdom minded churches and networks.

Phoenix is known for beautiful winter temps, sunny skies, and of course our hot summers (it's a dry heat!), but most people aren't aware of our state's diverse geography. We have skiing, pine forests, and cooler temperatures just two to three hours north of the city. Other sites like Sedona and the Grand Canyon are also easy day trips. We are four hours from the beautiful beach of Rocky Point, MX and a six hour drive from San Diego or Newport Beach.

We have beautiful parks, hiking, and bike trails throughout the city and South Mountain (very close) is a perfect spot for hiking and mountain biking. We have great restaurants, a very nice zoo, museums and lots of cultural opportunities. We are home to Arizona State University (the largest state University in the U.S.), the Arizona Cardinals (NFL), the Diamondbacks (MLB), the Phoenix Suns (NBA), the Coyotes (NHL) and we even have a PGA golf tournament every year. Our area of the city is home to many strong public, charter, and private Christians schools.

The Candidate

The ideal candidate will have the following character, gifts and commitments:

- A life that is consistent with the gospel exhibiting spiritual maturity, integrity, and humility.
- A passion for student ministry as well as prior experience leading a student ministry.
- A multi-year commitment to student ministry.
- Gifts in teaching/preaching, gathering, and leadership/administration.

- Experience in recruiting, leading, and equipping volunteer teams.

The ideal candidate will have a missional approach to student ministry:

- Adept and comfortable in walking with students in the real world struggles and issues they face on a daily basis and doing so with grace and patience.
- An ability to minister to students in a way that brings the gospel to bear on issues like anxiety, eating disorders, depression, sexuality and gender and to do so in a winsome loving way instead of an “us/them” approach.

The ideal candidate will have ministry and cultural convictions that strongly resonate with our own:

- We are a politically and culturally diverse body of Christians who live in the unity the gospel creates.
- We have a deep appreciation for the role of women in our congregation, including a commitment to the guidance suggested by the 2017 PCA position paper on Women in Ministry.
- We expect skeptics and seekers to be present in our gatherings which is reflected in our philosophy of ministry.

Our compensation and benefits packages are very competitive. Seminary/ordination is not required for this position, but would be appreciated. Ordained or ordainable candidates would be members of our preaching team. Potential candidates should email Carson Joyner (Executive Pastor), carson@newvalleychurch.org and please include your resume and a bio.