



Christ Fellowship Church

Pastor Search Committee – Update #10

Special Announcement

September 26, 2010

Pastor Search Committee Recap

- PSC Formed on **02/21/10**
- PSC Initial Meeting held on **03/03/10**
 - PSC has met a total of 11 times as an entire group
- Pre-Posting Deliverables Completed **04/18/10**
- Position posted:
 - CFC Website on **04/18/10**
 - EPC Opportunity List in **early-May**
 - Nine Theological Seminary websites during **May**
- Pre-Interview deliverables completed on **05/02/10**
- Application Review / Initial Interviews began in **May**
- Interim Pastor Rich Vroon named **06/06/10**

Pastor Search Committee Recap

- In the five months since the position was posted:
 - Received 100 - 120 Inquiries (NOTE: All men applicants)
 - Received 22 completed applications
 - No Longer Pursuing 18
 - Application Withdrawn 2
 - Completed 1st Round Interview 1
 - Completed 3rd Round Interview 1
 - 22
- After the third interview, the Pastor Search Committee voted unanimously to nominate and present to the congregation “a pastor we feel led by God” to lead Christ Fellowship Church

Pastor Nominee

- **With one voice, the Pastor Search Committee nominates Brian Post to be the next pastor of Christ Fellowship Church**



Personal Background

- **Born:** June 1, 1959 in Denver, Colorado
- **Raised:** Westminster and Lakewood, Colorado
- **Saved:** February, 1976
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Bear Creek High School
- **Married:** August 15, 1981 to Bonnie Brown
in Boulder, Colorado
- **Children:**
 - Taylor (21) Daughter-in-law Molly (21)
 - Brandon (19)
 - Eliza (17)
 - Trevor (12)

Educational Background

- **Bear Creek High School - Lakewood, CO (1977)**
- **University of Colorado - Boulder, Colorado**
B.A. - International Relations (1981)
- **Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary**
South Hamilton, Massachusetts
M.A. Theological Studies - Church History (1985)
Magna Cum Laude
- **Post Graduate:**
 - *University of Colorado - Boulder, Colorado*
European Studies – 27 Ph.D. hours (1985 - 1987)
 - *Gordon-Conwell and Denver Theological Seminary*
M. Div. equivalent – 7 courses (1989 - 1991)

Professional Experience

- **Bear Creek EPC - Lakewood, Colorado**
Pastor - Youth & Family Ministries (1987 – 1993)
Ordained in the EPC
- **Dillon Community Church – Dillon, Colorado**
Solo and Senior Pastor (1994 - 2006)
Grew church from 125 to 400 people
- **Int'l Church - Luzern, Switzerland**
Solo Pastor (2006 – 2008)
Grew church from 75 to 105 people
- **Black Forest Academy, Kandern, Germany**
Missionary with WorldVenture
Middle / High School Teacher (2008 – present)

Other Work-Related Experience

- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
University of Colorado – Boulder, CO
Group Table Leader (1979 - 1981)
- Home Bible Study Teacher for College Students
University of Colorado - Boulder, CO (1979 - 1981)
- Evangelical Covenant Church – Peabody, MA
1st Grade Sunday School Teacher (1983-1984)
- Bear Creek High School, Lakewood, Colorado
Assistant Track Coach (Outreach) (1988 – 1989)
Assistant Tennis Coach (Outreach) (1989)
- EPC National Youth Ministry Committee (1989 – 1991)

Other Work-Related Experience

- **Presbytery of the West Ministerial Committee**
Committee Member (2000 – 2002)
Chairman (2002 – 2004)
- **Swiss-American Society – Luzern, Switzerland**
Secretary (Outreach) (2007 – 2008)
- **Riverside International School Parent Teacher Organization – Zug, Switzerland**
Secretary (Outreach) (2007 – 2008)
- **Toastmasters Int'l – Luzern, Switzerland**
Member (Outreach) (2007 – present)

Why Did We Nominate Brian Post?

Congregational Priorities

**Captivating Speaker /
Engaging Preaching**

**Friendliness / Caring /
Close-Knit Family Feel**

**Spirit-Filled Preacher /
Teacher / Disciple-Maker**

**Leadership / Visionary /
Good Organizational
Skills**

What Brian Brings

**Gifted Preacher,
Teacher, and Trainer**

**Very Personable,
Extremely Relation-
ship Oriented**

**Humble, Led by the
Holy Spirit**

**Highly Effective Org.
Leadership, Mgmt.,
& Strategic Planning
Skills**

Why Did We Nominate Brian Post

Congregational Priorities

**Building the Body /
Growth / Outreach**

Youth Programs

Clear Choice of Pastor

What Brian Brings

**Track Record of
Success in Growing
Two Congregations**

**Six Year Track Record
as Pastor of Youth
and Family Ministry
at Bear Creek EPC**

**Unanimous Vote by
the Committee
Brian feels called to
CFC**

When is Brian Available?

- **Brian is currently on staff at the Black Forest Academy in Kandern, Germany**
- **Brian is available in late-June / early-July, 2011**
 - Under contract through the academic year
 - Daughter Eliza is a high school senior
- **This will allow :**
 - Continued healing time for our congregation
 - Continued interim leadership by Rich Vroon
 - Additional time to complete new member classes
 - Ample time to disseminate information so that the congregation has time to get to know the new Pastor
 - Obedience to God's calling
 - This candidate is [well worth the wait!](#)

What Will the Future Look Like?

Q4 2010:

- **Interim Pastor Rich Vroon will continue to lead the congregation**
- **Administrative Pastor Brian Christensen will continue in his role supporting Rich**
- **In early-October, Brian Post's sermon tapes and selected application materials will be made available to the congregation**
- **During Q4, the Pastor Search Committee will communicate Brian Post's answers to selected interview questions**

What Will the Future Look Like?

Q1 2011:

- **January Visit:**
 - **Brian and family will spend one week \pm in Fort Collins**
 - **1/8 Evening: Congregational Dinner or Reception**
 - **1/9 Morning: Sunday Worship Service led by Brian Post**
 - **1/9 Afternoon: Congregational Meeting**
 - **Presentation of the Candidate and his family**
 - **Questions from the Congregation**
 - **Congregational Vote on Candidate and Terms of Call**

What Will the Future Look Like?

Q1 2011:

- **If elected, the PSC will begin to incorporate Brian Post into our worship services and assimilate Brian and his family into our congregation**
 - **Monthly Newsletter from Brian**
 - **Children's Sermons Delivered Live by Brian via Skype Video Conference**
 - **Taped Video Messages from Brian**
 - **Brian's Blog @ <http://posthaus.wordpress.com/>**

What Will the Future Look Like?

Q2 2011:

- **April Visit:**
 - Brian and family will spend two weeks_± in Fort Collins looking for a home, car, planning for their transition
 - Brian will be available to meet with members of congregation
 - 4/17: Brian and his family will attend Palm Sunday worship service
 - 4/24: Brian will lead Easter Sunday worship service
- **In May, Brian may begin participating in Session and Trustee meetings via video teleconference**

What Will the Future Look Like?

Q2 2011:

- **Brian's call will be formalized at the May Presbytery Meeting**
 - **NOTE: Brian has already been ordained by the EPC**
- **The Pastor Search Committee will be formally discharged**
- **Brian and his family arrive in late-June or early-July**

Request of the Congregation

Commit / Recommit to Christ Fellowship Church by...

- **Attending regularly**
- **Praying fervently**
- **Giving regularly**
- **Supporting Church Ministries and Missions**

Consider...

- **Membership**
- **Leadership Role**

Learn more about the Pastor Nominee by...

- **Reviewing materials provided by the Search Committee**
- **Participating in events planned during Brian's visits**

Provide feedback to the Pastor Search Committee

Back-up

CFC Pastor Search Committee

Committee:

- Bob Schutzius *Chairman*
- Stan Arnett *Vice Chairman*
- Brian Homola *Vice-Chairman*
- Julie Monks *Secretary*
- Barb Brink *Coordinator – Interview Team #2*
- Christopher Fry
- Steve Ray
- Tricia Wright *Coordinator – Interview Team #1*

Alternates:

- Tom Baker
- Ed Woofter *Back-up Secretary*

Website Postings

- **CFC**
- **EPC Opportunity List**
- **Theological Seminaries:-**
 - **Denver Theological Seminary**
 - **Fuller Theological Seminary**
 - **Reformed Theological Seminary**
 - **Westminster Theological Seminary**
 - **Westminster West Theological Seminary**
 - **Dallas Theological Seminary**
 - **Trinity Western Theological Seminary**
 - **Trinity Evangelical Divinity School**
 - **Regent College**