



NEWS BULLETIN

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NEW APPOINTMENT AT BROADSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Broadstone Baptist Church (BBC) is delighted to announce the appointment of Steven Driver to the newly created full-time position of Assistant Pastor. This is the first time in the 86 year history of the church that two pastoral positions will be active, supported by three elders and three deacons. Steven will start alongside Pastor Tim Gamston on the 1st of September 2021.

Over the last decade, the church has witnessed a significant growth in the size of the congregation and therefore a corresponding increase in the whole spectrum of pastoral care requirements. Pastor Tim comments: "Following prolonged discussions with the elders and deacons, a decision was made two years ago to initiate and budget for an Assistant Pastor. However, the process of completing the new building, combined with the pandemic, inevitably delayed the new appointment. Our discussions and interviews continued, however".

With Steven, his wife Sarah and their three little girls living locally, he was already known to the church and had preached at Broadstone on more than one occasion, with his sermons highly regarded by the congregation. An "open" questions and answers session with all the members gave all the positive feedback required to offer Steven the position, which he readily accepted.

Steven joins BBC from Poole Christian Fellowship, where he has faithfully served as Children and Youth Minister for the last eight years. Prior to that, he studied at the University of Plymouth and obtained a Music degree. He is an accomplished trombone player.

In his new role, working alongside Pastor Tim, Steven will be involved in the whole life of the church. Although he is not coming as a Youth Pastor, he has a lot of experience in this area, and it is anticipated that he will help to build up our youth ministry. Initially he is coming for 3 years in a training role, with the aim of equipping him to serve the wider kingdom of God. One day a week, as part of his progression he will also be supported by the church in studying on-line for an MA in Christian Ministry (Mentored) at Crosslands Seminary.



Picture above:- Steven Driver Assistant Pastor, Broadstone Baptist Church

Picture below: At a special service on Sunday 5th September 2021 Steven was commissioned as Assistant Pastor and received a blessing from the Pastor and Elders.

