

Hiring Program

Goal: To support the church through a Christ-centered process in hiring a worship leader who is a great fit. This costs \$7,500, independent of the time it takes.

Our team joins your team as seasoned worship leaders and experts in the area of worship, with a tested hiring system rather than simply as headhunters. We are intelligent discernment partners, avoiding costly pitfalls in qualifying or disqualifying candidates. We give our focused time and attention to leading the process. We bring outside perspective and help you make the best decision.

- Serve as a coach, a seasoned leader, and a stabilizing presence through the whole process
- Meet as necessary with Pastors, Leaders, and Hiring Team
- Implement a successful hiring process using the Ad Lib Hiring Playbook



- Lead the pre-launch process, clarifying the actual needs for this position using our Five Faders system
- Help craft the job description with teeth, clarity, and heart
- Write the advertisement and post to all effective job boards, including two months on ChurchStaffing.com (included)
- Network with Ad Lib Music's existing connections of candidates
- Lead an in-depth pre-screening process as candidates apply
- Lead the interviewing process, schedule and orient candidates to

guest worship lead

• Support the church through the decision-making process. (The onus for hiring is on the church, and Ad Lib Music's role is to coach the church through the entire process, giving the church a playbook that can be used in future hiring endeavors. The church covers related expenses, such as additional advertising, candidate travel, etc.)

The most expensive hire is the one you repeat in 12 months. We also believe it's not good stewardship to spend several thousand dollars to find and hire a worship leader and then fail to invest in supporting them with coaching. That's why every time we help a church hire a worship leader, we highly recommend providing coaching for their first year.

Why do we offer this service? We bring the following to the unique challenges of hiring a worship leader.

- Knowledge: We assess the musical skills, leadership skills, personal philosophy, spiritual maturity, and core aptitudes of candidates to help determine that it is an excellent fit for this specific church and role. We utilize our Five Faders development system to discern precisely the leader your church and team needs Artist, Shepherd, Priest, Educator, Producer. You're not just looking for the "Average Sam" worship leader. You're looking for that uncommon, specific "unicorn" worship leader.
- *Perspective*: We clearly and accurately describe the church, the win, and the role needed from an outside perspective. We also serve as an objective yet empathetic third party with no skin in the game except to care for worship leaders and help churches.
- Focus and consistent energy: Typically, hiring isn't anyone's "job" at the church instead, they're being asked to add it to their plates, which often comes at the expense of the core mission. And because they're asking staff and volunteers to invest time in this program, we have a time-saving yet thorough process to efficiently do the maximum amount of work BEFORE getting the team together for an interview. We bring customizable templates, a proven track record, and seasoned worship leader perspective.
- Connections: We network with potential candidates, schools, and denominations from our
 existing network. That said, it's important to note that we are NOT a headhunting
 organization that will send you dozens of candidates from our database. As experts in
 worship and hiring worship leaders, we join your search team with the heart to see the
 church healthy and growing.

What Some Churches Have Said

(more at adlibmusic.com/testimonials)

"The apostle Paul talks a lot about the importance of many parts working together in unison as one body. Ad Lib Music came alongside our church to be a part of our body, helping us to continue our mission of spreading the gospel message of Jesus Christ by providing key individuals to plan, facilitate, and lead our weekly worship services, as well as orchestrating a guided search process for our next Worship Pastor. Their attention to detail exceeded our expectations, and their commitment to finding the right candidate left no stone unturned. And their service was nothing short of Christlikeness. **The future of our church will forever be indebted to Ad Lib. We could not be more satisfied and thankful.** Choosing Ad Lib is the right choice."

Ryan Clift, Pastor, East Fairview Church of the Brethren, East Fairview, Pennsylvania

"Ad Lib took the time to get to know us and our worship culture. Then they started to work through the candidates to find the best fit, and **it worked beyond our wildest expectations!**Bill Hogan, Pastor, WordServe Church, Fulshear, Texas

"Ad Lib is a great resource for churches. They will help with the search for Worship Leaders as well as provide amazing opportunities for training (audio, worship leading, etc.) for staff and volunteers. I personally worked with Kevin searching for a Worship Leader for our church, and he is persistent and thorough in seeking potential applicants."

Paul Cockrell, Lead Pastor, Waypoint Church, Richardson, Texas

"Now that our search for a worship leader with Ad Lib Music has come to a successful conclusion, I wanted to let you know what a pleasure it was working with our coach. She

communicated with us quickly and clearly, attended many meetings and led them well, screened candidates with thought and wisdom, and so much more. **Ad Lib was worth every penny spent!** I will recommend you guys to everyone."

Allen Dise, former Senior Pastor, Newport Dove, Elm, Pennsylvania

"As a solo pastor in a small church with limited resources, the best aspect of the Ad Lib experience was the fellowship and camaraderie of like-minded co-laborers in the gospel. Ad Lib wasn't your typical consultant, in for a weekend and out again. They were invested in the process, committed to the success of the ministry, and willing to go the extra mile."

Dr. Chris DiVietro, Senior Pastor, Park Road Presbyterian Church, Reading, Pennsylvania

"Dave was a great asset to CBC in the midst of our transition to find a worship leader. He was a servant leader who provided coaching to our worship leaders. **He took a young and inexperienced guitarist and developed him into an effective worship leader.**"

Jeff Burkholder, Senior Pastor, Community Bible Church, Marietta, Pennsylvania

"Ad Lib Music helped our church through a very difficult time of transition in the loss of our Worship Pastor. Our coach's calm presence, servant heart, and passion to serve the local church brought healing to our church and our worship team when we needed it the most. His wisdom, experience and insight also helped our leadership team as we crafted a new job description and went through the interview process. I highly recommend Ad Lib's expertise in coaching and leading worship to any church facing transition or simply wanting to help their worship director grow and be encouraged. I think that the cost was very reasonable for the amount of time that they spent in helping us in the process. If you would have told me a year ago that we would be spending this much, I would have probably been thinking 'Wow, that is a lot of money for a church to spend for those services' but in hindsight...seeing all that they did in the process and the load that this took off of me and our leadership team and the experience and wealth of knowledge that he brought to the process...it was money well spent!"

Daleen Charles, former Executive Pastor, <u>Pequea Church, Willow Street, Pennsylvania</u>

"Ad Lib Music's experience in the field of music and knowledge of church life enabled us

to go through the music pastor search process in a relatively smooth fashion. Our coach's participation as well as his colleagues for leading Sunday services (and weekly rehearsals) were wonderful!"

Jay Quirk, Lead Pastor, Washington Avenue Bible Church, Ephrata, Pennsylvania

"The sense that our Ad Lib coach's love for God and genuine desire to see the church deepen in its worship was ever present in the coaching. Little did we know at the time that we would soon experience a dramatic change in the worship leader position. Dave responded well to the events as they unfolded. He was able to help the team move forward through the experience. Dave also helped us in the search for a new worship leader and **provided** valuable insight and information that helped us in that process. I really felt like he went above and beyond what was expected in the contract. I would highly recommend Ad Lib Music and Dave Helmuth to any pastor or church that wants to improve their worship experience."

The late Dennis Loose, former Senior Pastor, <u>LifeSpring Fellowship</u>, <u>Lititz</u>, <u>Pennsylvania</u>