

Lead Pastor Announcement

Sunday, February 18, 2024

It is with sincere gratitude to God that we are able to announce that Dr. Ashwin Ramani is the new Lead Pastor of West Park Church. On Sunday, February 11, 2024, after several days of meeting with our Staff, Church Leadership, Church Members and the General Congregation, Pastor Ashwin "spoke in view of a call" to both services. A special congregational meeting had been duly called and held at 3pm that Sunday. In what resulted as the largest congregational meeting WestPark Church has ever held, our members voted 100% in favour of the motion "to extend the call to Ashwin Ramani to the role of Lead Pastor."

Pastor Ramani will be finishing his ministry responsibilities at Centre Street Church in Calgary in the coming weeks. He and his wife Aboli will then prepare to relocate their family to London, officially beginning ministry at WestPark Church between mid-May and June 1, 2024.

These past months, it is evident that God's hand of blessing has been upon WestPark Church. The embracement of Pastor Ashwin Ramani as our Lead Pastor confirms that God is preparing our church to be more committed to extend God's blessing to those we encounter, and the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ, to our community and beyond.

With thanksgiving we need to pray:

- For the smooth and safe transition of the Ramani family from Calgary to London.
- For the Ramani children, being uprooted and separated from their routine, their friends, and the only church they have ever known.
- For our WestPark Church staff and leaders as we prepare and adjust to a new lead pastor, new energy, new personality, and new methods.
- For our congregation, as we anticipate how God will use Pastor Ashwin to deepen our love and commitment to Him and to equip us for **"good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."** Ephesians 2:10
- For Centre Street Church in Calgary: First, in thankfulness for the investment of training and experience they extended to Pastor Ashwin over many years, which God used to prepare him for the role of Lead Pastor at WestPark Church. Secondly, for God's direction and provision in filling the significant position that Pastor Ashwin Ramani held.

"To God be the glory, Great things He has done" (Fanny Crosby)