

**ABUNDANT MINISTRIES
FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES AND MINISTERS AFFILIATION
MANUAL**

Thank you for expressing an interest in Abundant Ministries. My desire is to help you fulfill the “dream” that the Holy Spirit has placed in your heart. Jesus teaches us to be “Servant Leaders”. I believe that is the spirit that God has placed upon Abundant Ministries.

True apostolic ministry carries a “Servant Leadership Anointing”. The purpose of such an anointing is to help others become what God has called them to be, and to help others to do what God has called them to do.

That is my goal and the purpose of Abundant Ministries. If you believe God is directing you to become a part of Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers, please fill out the application and mail it in to the address listed below. If you would have any questions or would need more information about Abundant Ministries, please do not hesitate to call. This packet will be returned to you by mail with a letter of approval of your application when this process has been completed.

God Bless:

Dr. Michael J. Pangio

**PLEASE MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO OUR PA. OFFICE TO THE ADDRESS
LISTED BELOW:**

**ABUNDANT MINISTRIES
FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES AND MINISTERS
3050 SARANAC RD.
SHARPSVILLE PA. 16150
PHONE: 724 9622232**

**ABUNDANT MINISTRIES
FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES AND MINISTERS
APPLICATION FOR MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS**

**PERSONAL
(PLEASE SUBMIT A RECENT PHOTO WITH THIS APPLICATION)
PLEASE PRINT**

NAME: _____
DATE OF BIRTH _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____
PHONE HOME: _____ **OFFICE:** _____ **CELL:** _____
SPOUSE'S NAME (IF MARRIED) _____
MARRIED HOW LONG? _____
CHILDREN'S NAMES & AGES: _____

HOME CHURCH: _____ **PHONE:** _____
ARE YOU THE SENIOR PASTOR? ____
STAFF PASTOR: ____
IN LEADERSHIP? ____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A MEMBER? _____
NAME OF SENIOR PASTOR: _____

PLEASE HAVE YOUR PASTOR SUBMIT A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION, AND ATTACH IT TO THIS WITH THIS APPLICATION.

LIST TWO REFERENCES (OTHER THAN YOUR SPOUSE):

1. NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

2. NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

WHICH CREDENTIAL ARE YOU APPLYING FOR?

ORDINATION:_____ **LICENSE:**_____ **CHRISTIAN WORKER:**_____

Note: You must be eighteen (18) years of age to apply for credentials

THREE LEVELS OF MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS:

1. CHRISTIAN WORKER LICENSE:

A. This credential is for individuals who do not have the call of God upon their life for the Five Fold Ministry of Ephesians 4:11. However they are active in ministry by holding a leadership position within their local church (Elder or Deacon, or head of a department or ministry within their home church.), or are involved in a Para Church Ministry.

2. LICENSE:

A. You must have the call of God upon your life for one of the Five Fold Ministry Gifts of Ephesians 4:11 in order to apply for this credential. Every individual who has not previously held a ministerial credential is require to hold a “License” for a period Of one year before they can apply for a “Ordination” credential.

3. ORDINATION:

You must have the call of God upon your life for one of the Five Fold Ministry Gifts of Ephesians 4:11 in order to apply for this credential. You also must have previously held a “License” or “Ordination” credential with this or another ministry and actively involved in ministry for at least one year.

HAVE YOU CARRIED CREDENTIALS WITH ANOTHER ORGANIZATION?_____

IF SO, LIST NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION_____

IF SO, GIVE A BRIEF COMMENT OF YOUR REASON FOR LEAVING:

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME? _____
IF SO, SUBMIT DETAILS ON A SEPARATE SHEET AND ATTACH TO APPLICATION.:

DO YOU HAVE MEMBERSHIP WITH ANY "SECRET" ORGANIZATIONS? _____
IF YES, LIST THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION(S) _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:
DID YOU GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL: _____

LIST ANY COLLEGE EDUCATION: _____

DID YOU GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE? _____
IF SO, LIST THE DEGREE YOU EARNED: _____

DID YOU ATTEND BIBLE SCHOOL? _____
IF SO, DID YOU GRADUATE? _____,
AND LIST THE DEGREE YOU EARNED:

MINISTERIAL EXPERIENCE:
(LIST ALL EXPERIENCE, IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED USE A SEPARATE SHEET)

POSITION HELD: _____
BEGINNING DATE: _____ **ENDING DATE:** _____
CHURCH / MINISTRY NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____
PASTOR'S NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

POSITION HELD: _____
BEGINNING DATE: _____ **ENDING DATE:** _____
CHURCH / MINISTRY NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____
YEAR YOU WERE BORN AGAIN: _____
YEAR YOU WERE BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT: _____

QUALIFICATION FOR: ORDINATION, - LICENSE

1 Peter 5:1 “The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder,.....” KJV

In the above scripture the Apostle Paul clearly teaches the “Five Fold Ministry Gifts” of Eph. 4:11 are a part of the “Eldership” of the Body of Christ.

The qualifications listed for these offices are listed in scripture and are found in 1 Timothy chapter Three and Titus chapter one. These qualifications for “Eldership” apply to three areas of our life:

1. Moral
2. Domestic
3. Spiritual

These qualifications apply to both “Local Church Elders” and Five Fold Ministry Gift elders. These are the biblical standards that our credentialed affiliates will be held accountable to.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR: CHRISTIAN WORKER

For those applying for “Christian Worker” credentials we will use the biblical standards for the office of a Deacon and a Deaconess. These standards are found in 1 Timothy chapter three and Acts Chapter six.

The following pages provide you a review of the standards by which all credentialed ministers will be expected to live and minister by.

**ABUNDANT MINISTRIES
FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES AND MINISTERS**

APPLICATION FOR CHURCH / MINISTRY AFFILIATION

PLEASE PRINT

**INCLUDE A COPY OF THE CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS OF YOUR CHURCH /
MINISTRY WHEN YOU SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION:**

**EMPLOYEE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
(E.I.N.):** _____

**DO YOU DESIRE YOUR CHURCH / MINISTRY TO BE LISTED UNDER THE
501 (c) (3) GROUP EXEMPTION OF ABUNDANT MINISTRIES FELLOWSHIP OF
CHURCHES AND MINISTERS?** _____

DATE OF APPLICATION: _____

NAME OF CHURCH / MINISTRY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

SENIOR PASTOR / DIRECTOR: _____

IS THE CHURCH / MINISTRY INCORPORATED? _____

DO YOU HAVE A CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS? _____

IF NO, DO YOU AGREE TO PRODUCE A CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS? _____

DO YOU HAVE A STATEMENT OF WHAT YOU BELIEVE? _____

IF NO, DO YOU AGREE TO PRODUCE SUCH A STATEMENT? _____

DOES YOUR CHURCH / MINISTRY KEEP A RECORD OF FINANCES? _____

IF NO, DO YOU AGREE TO START KEEPING A RECORD OF MINUTES? _____

DO YOU AGREE TO PRODUCE A YEARLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT? _____

DOES YOUR MINISTRY KEEP A RECORD OF MINUTES? _____

IF NO, DO YOU AGREE TO START KEEPING A RECORD OF MINUTES? _____

DOES YOUR CHURCH / MINISTRY HAVE A MEMBERSHIP LIST? _____

**ABUNDANT MINISTRIES FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCH AND
MINISTERS INC.**

RESOLUTION OF SOVEREIGNTY:

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT AFFILIATION WITH ABUNDANT MINISTRIES
FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES AND MINISTERS, INC. IN NO WISE VIOLATES OR
JEOPARDIZES THE SOVEREIGNTY OR INDEPENDENT STATUS OF A LOCAL
CHURCH / MINISTRY. THIS IS A VOLUNTARY ACT OF AFFILIATION AND HAS
NO LEGAL RECOURSE TO THE PROPERTY OR FINANCES OF THE LOCAL
CHURCH / MINISTRY.**

LIST AT LEAST TWO REFERENCES:

1. NAME: _____
PHONE: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

2. NAME: _____
PHONE: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

PASTOR / DIRECTOR’S NAME: _____
PASTOR / DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE: _____

**IF YOU DESIRE TO BE REGISTERED UNDER THE 501 (c) (3) GROUP
EXEMPTION ,THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REQUIRES YOU TO
SUBMIT A RESOLUTION FOR AFFILIATION ON YOUR CHURCH /
MINISTRY LETTER HEAD. THE RESOLUTION ON THE NEXT PAGE
MEETS THE REQUIRED STANDARDS, AND IS SET UP FOR YOU TO
COPY ON TO YOUR CHURCH / MINISTRY LETTER HEAD.**

(If you already have your own 501 (c) (3) Exemption, or do not desire to be listed under Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers 501 (c) (3) Group exemption, It is not necessary for you to submit the following resolution).(Note: You are still required to hold a business meeting with the Leadership of your ministry, and submit a letter of your desire to affiliate your church or ministry with Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers even if you choose not to be listed under the 501 (c) (3) Group Exemption of Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers.)

(PLEASE BE FREE TO CHANGE TITLES ETC., ACCORDING TO WHAT FITS YOU. IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION FOR YOUR CHURCH OR MINISTRY.)

RESOLUTION FOR AFFILIATION:

DATE: _____
MINUTES OF _____

IN THIS OFFICIALLY CALLED MEETING, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS UNANIMOUSLY PASSED AND MADE AN OFFICIAL PART OF OUR CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

WE THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE AGREED TO FILE THE PROPER APPLICATION FOR BECOMING AFFILIATED WITH ABUNDANT MINISTRIES FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCHES AND MINISTERS.

Title: _____ **PRINT** _____
SIGNATURE _____

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SIGNATURE _____

MORALS, CONDUCT & DISCIPLINE

YOUR LIFE IS TO BE A WITNES

As a Christian and Minister of The Gospel of Jesus Christ our personal conduct should always express the character of Jesus Christ. We should give care to avoid “all appearance of evil” and to fell “all youthful lusts”. (1 Thess. 5:22 & 2 Tim 2:22) Our conduct is to be upright and in accord with the Word of God as doctrinally taught in the scriptures. Our life must at all times and in all places be one that reflects the standard of true Christian living.

USE OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

The use of illegal drugs and alcohol is not an acceptable life style for those who are carrying credentials with this ministry. Restoration is always the first goal in dealing with these matters, but there must also be true repentance by the individual involved in such conduct. If there is not repentance and a willingness to follow the recommended procedures for restoration, the individuals credential may be revoked.

Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers will work with individuals who are willing to go through recommended programs of restoration.

We understand that many churches use “wine” as part of the communion service. Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers leaves this decision up to each individual and church according to their own preference.

DISCIPLINE

Discipline is necessary for order in the House of God (Col. 3:5) and for producing order in the lives of people.

1. It has the potential for bringing about change and growth in the life of an individual when nothing else will (Titus 1:3)
2. It prohibits the leavening influence of sin from gaining a foothold in other members of our Churches and fellowship (1 Cor. 5:6).
3. It counteracts the spirit of lawlessness in our age (1 Tim. 1:9)]
4. It helps the individual member deal with sin him/ herself that, by him / herself, he has been unable to eliminate (Gal. 6:1-2).
5. It underscores the value of righteousness as the basis for all relationships in the Body of Christ.

EXAMPLE OF AREAS OF MISCONDUCT THAT REQUIRE BIBLICAL DISCIPLINE

1. Personal Relationships

When people who claim to be Christians willfully refuse to be reconciled, and walk in love and unity (Matt. 18:15 ,II Cor. 6:14-18)

2. Doctrinal Areas:

When a person persistently teaches false and damaging doctrines (Rom. 16:17)

3. Areas of Practice:

When a person who claims to be a Christian leads a life of sin, immorality, or disorderliness (1 Cor. 5:9-13)

The above list is not an attempt to be all inclusive, rather it covers three areas of life and ministry where we must abide by biblical values. The Holy Scriptures are the standards by which we are to live and conduct ministry.

SCRIPTURAL PROCEDURES FOR DISCIPLINE

MATT. 18:15-18

Within these scriptures we find the basic procedure for applying discipline in the Body of Christ. Within these scriptures it is obvious that the main goal of discipline is RESTORATION". Just as these principles work when dealing with laity, these same biblical principles are the principles for dealing with discipline among Church Leadership and Five Fold Ministry Gifts.

JESUS GIVES THE GUIDE LINES FOR DISCIPLINE

1. Handle the problem on a personal level
2. If there is no response, two or three should confront the individual
3. If there is no response, the church leadership as a whole is to get involved
4. If there is no response, the person is to be removed from his / her position
(and will also have their credential suspended)

Note: The Apostle of Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers will walk through this process with the credentialed minister and / or affiliate church.

The scripture gives specific requirements of the attitude of the "Restorer" (in this case we are speaking of the Apostle of Abundant Ministries Fellowship of Churches and Ministers)

1. Must be motivated by love (Heb.12:6, Rev. 3:19, Eph. 4:15)
2. Must have a spirit of meekness (Gal. 6:1-2)
3. Must be ready to extend mercy and forgiveness (2 Cor. 2:6-8)
4. Must have a heart of a father (1 Thess. 2:10 - 12)
5. Must reprove in wisdom (Prv. 25:12)

Discipline is to be a means of instruction and grace, not destruction. It is an evidence of love, not hate or fear. Believers, who see discipline in this way, will not despise it, but learn to embrace it as an instrument in their lives to bring greater productivity to the Kingdom of God.
Prv. 15:10