

R.P.I.

Fellowship of **Reconciling Pentecostals International**



APPLICATION FOR LICENSING AND ORDINATION

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Age: _____ D.O.B. _____ Do you have a partner/spouse? yes no

If yes, spouses name: _____

If yes, have you had a public holy union ceremony? yes no When? _____

Who performed the ceremony? _____

Place ceremony took place: _____

I can receive documents via email: yes no

Email Address: _____

If you were referred to RPI, who referred you? _____

Are you presently involved in ministry? yes no Full time? Part time? (circle one)

What position(s) do you hold? _____

I am currently licensed or ordained: yes no

If yes, by what ministry or organization? _____

Contact information: _____

Reason for leaving: _____

Past licensure and ordinations (please include dates):

Please provide copies of all license and ordination certificates or documents.

Use additional paper where needed or attach documents.

I am seeking: Associate License General License Ordination

Please read Article 8, RPI Constitution & Bylaws for full disclosure on each level of licensure. This can be found at www.rpifellowship.com/bylaws.pdf RPI has incorporated specific ongoing educational requirements including reading assignments, seminar training and preaching experience as part of the overall licensure process. We encourage each minister to attain the level of full **ordination** at some point. There is a 2 year requirement between each level in order to fulfill these educational and experiential goals. Your assigned presbyter along with your pastor will be involved with this process as set forth by the RPI Education Committee. Reading requirements can be modified, however, all reading requirements should be met prior to meeting with the General Board for approval of the level you are applying for.

Are you in agreement with this policy? Yes No

Please answer the following questions sincerely and honestly. Though you may have questions or differences of opinion, it is important that you be forthright on this application.

Do you embrace and agree **fully** with the Mission Statement, Statement of Faith and Covenant as set forth in the **RPI Constitution & Bylaws?**) yes no

(View on RPI Website: <http://www.rpifellowship.com>)

If not, please explain: _____

Have you been baptized by immersion? yes no **Other** _____

If so, when? _____ By whom? _____

Which baptismal formula was used? *In the Name of Jesus Christ*

In the titles of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Other _____

Are you willing to teach/practice baptism according to the Acts 2:38 formula? yes no

Have you received the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues? yes no

If so, when? _____

To what specific ministry do you feel called? _____

(pulpit ministry, teaching, youth, music, evangelism, outreach, counseling, etc..)

Do you feel you hold an office in the Five-fold Ministry? yes no

Circle those which apply: Prophet Pastor Teacher Evangelist Apostle

Why do you wish to be licensed/ordained by RPI? _____

What ministerial experience do you have? _____

How often have you been preaching? _____

(per week— per month—per year) Give examples:

Where? _____ When? _____

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Have you ever been arrested or convicted of a crime? no yes Please explain:

Are you willing to have a background check performed? no yes

What is your belief regarding homosexuality and the Scriptures? _____

Please explain your views on holiness and godly living. _____

Do you have any addictions? yes no Explain: _____

Do you smoke? yes no **Are you willing to quit?** yes no

Have you read the RPI Statement of Faith, Article 4-J, regarding Intimate Relationships, Marriage & Divorce? yes no **Do you agree?** yes no

If not, please explain why? _____

What is your personal belief regarding sexual conduct? _____

What about a marriage covenant between two members of the same sex? _____

How do you feel about ministerial accountability? _____

Are you willing to be accountable to leadership, presbyters and fellow ministers? yes no

How much time do you spend in prayer and how often? _____

Have you read the Bible through in its entirety? yes no

How many times? _____

Please list all ministerial training, degrees and certifications. (include dates):

Please provide copies of all degrees, diplomas and certifications if possible.

Ministers approved for licensure will be required to pay monthly/annual dues. Presently, minimum ministerial dues are \$150.00 per year (\$12.50 per month) or ½ of your ministerial tithes to RPI.

Will you agree to this financial obligation?) yes no

A \$50.00 non-refundable application fee is due with this document. When your application is approved, the fee will be applied to your first annual dues. Check or money order made out to: Reconciling Pentecostals Int'l or RPI is acceptable.

Your application will be reviewed by the RPI Credentialing Committee. It will then be presented to the RPI Board of Presbyters for final review. You will then be notified at which time a meeting will be set up for you to come before the RPI Board of Presbyters. Normally, credentialing ceremonies are conducted twice annually. The ceremony is held at the annual general conference and during Midwest SpiritQuest, Labor Day Weekend in Indiana.

How should your name appear on your RPI license/ordination certificate?

I hereby certify all information contained in this application to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

Signature of Referring Minister or Pastor

Date

RPI APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Fill out application completely (*please print clearly or type*). Documents are acceptable.
2. Submit three typewritten letters of recommendation from other ministers familiar with your ministry. If you have a pastor, one should be from he/she. Each letter must include contact information of referring party.
3. Submit typewritten doctrinal statement including Scriptural references.
4. Submit typewritten personal testimony (*no more than two pages in length*).
5. If you have a partner or spouse, submit a letter of endorsement from he/she.
6. Submit **copies** of all ministerial degrees, diplomas, certificates, licenses and ordinations.
7. Make a check/money order to RPI in the amount of \$50.00. This is a non-refundable application fee. The fee will be applied to your first annual dues.
8. Deadlines to be scheduled for the two annual credentialing reviews are:
January 5 for General Conference or July 15 for MSQ.
9. Mail all of the above to the following address:
RPI Credentialing Committee
Rev. Dan Wright, Secretary
5257 N Cameron
LaPorte, IN 46350
or
Email: rpifellowship@aol.com

All documents should arrive at least 45 days prior to scheduled licensing/ordination service in order for the credentialing committee and the general board to read, review and discuss your application. References will be checked. Any questions or concerns regarding requested information can be addressed by email at: rpifellowship@aol.com
(Some time exceptions can be made, but must be approved.)