

# UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST, INC.

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## APPLICATION FOR CHURCH/MINISTRY MEMBERSHIP

*Dear Pastor/Clergy,*

Thank you for your interest in the United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ. We are delighted that you have elected to join our assembly and expect that your involvement will strengthen your organization in the areas of leadership, personal development, community relevance, and ministry transformation. UPCJC is a networking and partnership alliance for male and female senior pastors & ordained clergy. It was designed to meet the spiritual needs of senior pastors, their spouses and clergy to help them achieve their maximum potential for the kingdom of God. This organization is for pastors who are serious about the call of leading God's people into their destiny, which requires a lifestyle of integrity, humility, honesty, and excellence.

After extensive discourse, our board has agreed that in order to serve you effectively, while concomitantly preserving the integrity of our brand and protecting the intellectual property of our team, it was essential for us to employ a system that encourages a symbiotic relationship between all parties involved.

To embrace and sustain our goals, we have developed our philosophy as it relates to spiritual covering and ministry partnerships, and developed the UPCJC program, outlined below.

**The Purpose of UPCJC is Threefold:**

- To fulfill the needs of senior pastors & leaders who desire fellowship and a networking relationship.
- To provide a foundation for senior pastors to interact, share information, exchange ideas, and converse about matters related to the challenges of ministry.
- To establish meaningful relationships with senior pastors and to enlighten, encourage, and empower them.

**What You Can Expect from Us:**

**1. Strengthening of your Ministry Identity**

**2. Accountability**

**3. Membership Directory**

**4. Financial Assistance Program for churches**

**5. Clergy & Lay leadership training and team, building**

**6. Extensive training and support for church planters**

**7. Seminary & Continuing Education Assistance Program**

**8. Regional & National Leadership Opportunities**

## **9. Apostolic Covering**

### **What We Expect from You:**

1. \$25 Application Fee (Non-Refundable)
2. Attendance at Yearly Events
3. Monthly Financial Contribution to UPCJC
  - Senior Pastors: \$30
  - General/District Overseers \$40
  - Jurisdictional Overseers: \$50
  - Bishops: \$80
  - Apostles: \$90
4. Support District, Jurisdictional, Regional and National Events

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*(Please read this document before proceeding to application)*

The decision to unite a ministry within an established organization is not to be done ill advisedly or without careful thought, prayer and an information base. The overall desire is to provide for the Pastor and congregation a method by which they may grow into their new prospective family, hence making the transition flow as smoothly as possible. This Organized Fellowship and Reformation shall be composed of Apostle, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, Teachers, Bishops, Overseers, Elders, and Members, who are a part of, and/or submitted to, the headship and Apostolic Order and Authority of United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ, Inc. There will be at least three (3) separate and distinct Membership categories. They are as follows:

- 1) Apostolic Covering.
- 2) Covenant Member.
- 3) Affiliate Member.
- 4) Fellowship Member.

**FELLOWSHIP MEMBER:** A sharing of beliefs, religious experiences, other matters of common interest and mutual participation. This is open to all pastors and ordained clergy. Also they will be inducted into the reformation with the same rights and privileges of those that are apostolically covered, with the exception of being bound to the spiritual covering per say, but are connected together in the advancement of the kingdom, for accountability to each other as ranked among equals of like anointing and vow to support the organized fellowship in every way as the lord directs them, with time, talent, and finances. However, they are not bound by mandatory attendance to the said services nor will they be of anointed services for licensed, ordained, or consecrated through the reformation, but will participate upon request of anointed services for licensing, ordination and/or consecration by other men and women in the kingdom, that are recognized as generals in the body. The act of formal fellowship shall be considered the first phase of an expressed desire toward full membership with United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ.

**AFFILIATE MEMBER:** When a church or churches associate themselves as a supporter or fellowship status by becoming a subsidiary or branch of this existing organization. An affiliate is a church that shall have the rights and responsibilities as outlined, while yet in a probationary or decision-making status toward full membership. Also they will be inducted into the reformation with the same rights and privileges of those that are apostolically covered, with the exception of being bound to the spiritual covering per say, but are connected together in the advancement of the kingdom, for accountability to each other as ranked among equals of like anointing and vow to support the organized fellowship in every way as the lord directs them, with time, talent, and finances. However, they are not bound by mandatory attendance to the said services. Affiliate is the second phase of the decision-making process.

**COVENANT MEMBERS:** When a church or churches unite with United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ. Also they will be inducted into the reformation with the same rights and privileges of those that are apostolically covered, with the exception of being bound to the spiritual covering per say, but are connected together in the advancement of the kingdom, for accountability to each other as ranked among equals of like anointing and vow to support the

organized fellowship in every way as the lord directs them, with time, talent, and finances. This is the third phase designed to result in full membership with the Organization.

**APOSTOLIC COVERING:** Members inducted under apostolic covering will be covered under the direct Apostolic Spiritual mentoring and fathering of Apostle Dorell D. McCroery, Sr., Presiding Prelate and Founder of United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ, Inc., who will be held to the full duties thereof, spiritually, emotionally, morally, financially, and in every way that is permissible and feasible to both ministries without exploit of either. Responsibility of the ministry covered will be to attend all functions that are given in ample time, to wit: full participation in the affairs of the fellowship, attendance at mandatory services (Holy Convocation, Leadership Conference, and General Assembly). Accountability and loyalty to the Presiding Prelate and Leaders of the Organized Fellowship. Tithing monthly of their ministries total income intake to the Corporate Headquarters. The principle of seed time and harvest is contingent upon all parties being faithful to this command of the Word of God. Offering from ministry shall be assessed based upon each ministries individual size and membership, with guideline of five percent of ministry income intake. If this is not feasible for annual Covenant Seed Offering, then this will be discussed with the pastor or leader of the said ministry upon His Grace's Apostolic Visits. Those under apostolic covering will also be given the full rights and privileges of the reformation, through licensing, ordination and/or consecration, by the hand and seal of the Presiding Prelate and Executive Board of Apostles and Bishops. This is the fourth and final phase designed to result in full membership with the Organization.

### **Requirements for Fellowship Members**

#### **I. Jurisdictional Requirements:**

- A. The local church, group of churches and all Licensed and Ordained Clergy are asked to fellowship with the Jurisdictional Convocation.
- B. The Pastor of the local church or churches and Licensed and Ordained Clergy shall be required to make a monthly support offering to the Jurisdiction and a quarterly support offering to the National Office. The amount is based on the ability and at discretion of the local church and fellowship minister.
- C. May hold office on the Jurisdictional level.
- D. The property of churches shall not be involved at all.
- E. Fellowship churches shall embrace all beliefs, creeds and dogma of the United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ.

#### **II. International Requirements:**

- A. The local church, group of churches and Licensed and Ordained Clergy desiring to "fellowship" with United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ is required to represent at the International Holy Convocation.
- B. The Pastor of the local church or churches and Licensed and Ordained Clergy shall be required to make a monthly support offering to the Jurisdiction and a quarterly support offering to the National Office. The amount is based on the ability and at discretion of the local church and fellowship minister.

### **Requirements for Affiliate Members**

#### **I. Jurisdictional Requirements:**

- A. The local church or group of churches is asked to attend, participate and fellowship with the Jurisdictional Convocation.
- B. The Pastor of the local church or churches is required to pay a support offering to the Jurisdiction.
- C. The Pastor may be able to hold an office in the Jurisdictional and National Level and can be considered as a candidate for Overseer and/or Bishop. (Office shall be defined.)
- D. The property of churches will not be involved at all.
- E. The affiliated church shall embrace the beliefs, creeds and dogma of United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ.

#### **II. International Requirements:**

- A. The local church or group of churches in affiliation shall be required to be represented at the International Holy Convocation.
- B. Representation shall consist of an annual support offering report that shall be made to the International Treasury. The local Pastor and the International CFO shall mutually agree upon this sum which will be based on the ability of the local church.
- C. Local churches will be required to pay tithes to the International Treasury, tithing monthly.
- D. Local churches are asked to attend, participate and fellowship with the International Holy Convocation.

### **Requirements for Covenant Members**

The covenant procedure is the final phase for a church or group to align them totally with United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ. Under the terms of the merger, it should be understood that the church or group of churches would be required to comply with **all** the governing rules and regulations as well as the doctrine of the church.

The local church or group of churches is to meet **all** claims and assessments and embrace the church dogma.

The local church or group of churches will be required to take on the name of the United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ.

#### **Examples:**

1. Mt. Calvary United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ
2. Mt. Calvary Church of Jesus Christ

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- B. The Pastor of the local church or churches is required to pay a support offering to the Jurisdiction.
- C. The Pastor may be able to hold an office in the Jurisdictional and National Level and can be considered as a candidate for Bishop. (Office shall be defined.)
- D. The property of churches will not be involved at all.
- E. The affiliated church shall embrace the beliefs, creeds and dogma of United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ.

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I affirm that I have read and understood the aforementioned information.

Print: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# PASTOR AND CHURCH APPLICATION

CHURCH/MINISTRY INFORMATION		
Church/Ministry Name:		
Address:		Mailing Address:
City:	State:	Zip:
Church/Ministry Number:		Church/Ministry Fax Number:
Church/Ministry Email Address:		Church/Ministry Website Address:
Founding Date of Church/Ministry:		
Are you the founder of this church and/or organization? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Is Church/Ministry Incorporated?		If yes, date and state:
PASTOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION		
Pastor/Director's Name:		Pastor/Director's Spouse's Name:
Address:		Mailing Address:
City:	State:	Zip:
Telephone Number:		Fax Number:
Date of Birth:		Are you born again? (Romans 10:9-10) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you been baptized with the Holy Spirit? (Acts 2:4) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
When were you ordained?		With who are you licensed?
Tell us a little about yourself.		
What is the approximate size of your congregation?		
If you are bringing with you more than one church what is the approximate membership of your organization?		
If you have churches under you, do they comprise YOUR organization, OR are you just Their COVERING?		
Are you in a building program or are you getting ready to purchase a new edifice?		
How long have you pastored/directed this ministry?		



CHILDREN	
Name	Name
Name	Name
Years in Ministry:	
Talents/Skills:	
Accomplishments:	
What is the vision of your church/ministry?	
<b>What is the governmental structure of your church?</b>	
Is the pastor the head and leader of the church? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	Is the deacon board the final say in church matters? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>
Is the board the controlling factor in the church? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	Is your church set up on the Baptist style of government? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>
Is your church set up on the Methodist style of government? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	If your church is independent, who has the final say?
Are you familiar with organizations that are governed by Apostles, Bishops, and Overseers? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Does the church/ministry have a duly stated dissolution declaration? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Has the declaration been adopted by the church? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Are you willing to submit to the authority of the United Pentecostal Church Of Jesus Christ, Inc.? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Have you completely read our manual? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Do you agree with our doctrinal stance? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Is your ministry separating because of dissention? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Are you willing to submit yourself to the Presiding Prelate? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Are you willing to support the United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ through tithing? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Are you willing to support United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ Conferences? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Are you a tax-exempt organization? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Do you believe in tithing? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	Do your members tithe? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>
Do you tithe to your current organization? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
<b>Of which of the three associations are you applying? (Please Check One)</b>	

<input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship Member \$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Affiliate Member \$100.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Covenant Member \$125.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Apostolic Covering \$150.00
What are you bringing to United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ?	
What do you expect to receive from United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ?	
<b>REFERENCES</b>	
Name	Address
Have you read and understood the terms outlined in this document so that you have a good knowledge of what you are agreeing to? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>SIGNATURES</b>	
Print:	Date:
Sign:	Date:

Please make copies of all of your ministerial Credentials and forward a copy of each, with this application, to the United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ, Inc.

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*(Please return this completed application to the International Headquarters along with a current, professional photograph of yourself and a current, professional photograph of you and your spouse, if you have not already done so.)*

## LICENSED/ORDAINED CLERGY APPLICATION

CONTACT INFORMATION		
Name:		
Address:	Mailing Address:	
City:	State:	Zip:
Telephone Number:	Fax Number:	
Email Address:	Website:	
Name of Church where you are a member:		
Name of Pastor/Director:		
Address:	Mailing Address:	
City:	State:	Zip:
Date of Birth:	Are you born again? (Romans 10:9-10) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
Have you been baptized with the Holy Spirit? (Acts 2:4) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
When were you ordained?	When were you licensed?	
What are your spiritual gifts?		
Have you read and understood the terms outlined in this document so that you have a good knowledge of what you are agreeing to? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
SIGNATURES		
Print:	Date:	
Sign:	Date:	

I, Apostle Dorell D. McCroery, Sr., Chief Apostle and Presiding Prelate, do now receive you and your Church/Ministry as an member of United Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ. Apostle Dorell D. McCroery, Sr. holds the right to dismiss any of affiliate of UPCJC.

Print: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_