

APPLICATION FOR LICENSING OR ORDINATION

MINISTERIAL MEMBERSHIP

All questions are to be answered and all blanks are to be filled in. Please remember to enclose the application fee and the two photos.

Last name		First	Middle	Date:
Home address (Missionaries, please use Australian address, if applicable)			Home Phone: ()	
City:		State:		Post code:
Email address		Web address		

Office address (Missionaries, please use foreign address)		Office Phone: ()		
City:		State:		Post code:
Email address		Web address		

To which address do you prefer correspondence be sent?	Office Address	Home Address
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Applicant's Date of Birth	Age	Sex	Spouse's Name:	
			Spouse's Date of Birth:	
Name of Children			Sex	Date of birth

Applying for (please check only one):	Licensing	Ordination
Are you born again and baptized in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking with other tongues?	Yes	No
Are you currently in an officially recognised ministerial position?	Yes	No

In what field of ministry are you presently engaged?

Pastor Assistant Pastor Missionary Evangelist Itinerant Minister Minister of Music

Minister of Youth Minister of Children Chaplain Other (please state) _____

Home missionary (residing and ministering on Aboriginal reservation) –Name of reservation: _____

How long have you been in the field of ministry indicated above? _____

Are you currently functioning in that recognized ministerial capacity on a consistent and continuing basis? Yes No

In an average month, how many times do you minister God's Word in **official** church or evangelistic services? (This does **not** include Sunday School classes, prayer meetings, Bible studies, home fellowships, etc.) _____

What is your status with RHEMA Bible Training Centre?

Certificate Holder Year attended: _____ Graduate Year(s) attended: _____

While attending RHEMA Bible Training Centre, what church did you attend on a regular basis? _____

Are you a current member of the RHEMA Alumni Association? Yes No

Attach **2 PHOTOS** (Passport-Sized) suitable for publication purposes. (Do not staple.)

Give a brief history of your work for the Lord. Please be specific enough so that we know the basic time elements involved.

What are your **current** responsibilities and functions in the ministry? Please be specific with regard to your preaching and teaching responsibilities in **actual pulpit-type** ministry.

What is the primary emphasis/thrust of your ministry?

What do you anticipate your work for the Lord will be in the future?

Why do you want to be licensed or ordained with RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD?

Have you ever been involved in a church split? Yes No (If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.)

If you are itinerating to raise support for the mission field and/or will be moving overseas to the mission field, what is your estimated date of departure? _____

How much support per month have you raised? \$ _____

How do you envision maintaining a vital relationship with RHEMA in the future?

With what other ministerial organisations do you currently hold credentials (specify licensing or ordination)?

Does your ministry position **require** you to:

Perform weddings Yes No **Baptize** Yes No **Serve Communion** Yes No

Is the ministry your sole means of income? Yes No

If it is not, what percentage of your income is generated by your ministry? _____%

On the average, how many hours per week do you work in your ministry? _____

If you are involved in some form of secular work, please answer the following three questions.

In what type of secular employment are you involved? _____

How many hours per week do you work secularly? _____

How long do you realistically anticipate that it will be before your ministry supports you totally? _____

If you are a pastor, please answer the following questions.

Did you: Pioneer the church Assume an existing work Other _____

Church name:		Date church established:	
Mailing address			
City:	State:	Post Code:	Office phone: ()

Church physical location (for church referrals and for publication purposes):

City: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____

In suburb of _____.

(For missionaries, list country _____.)

Avg. Sunday morning attendance	Schedule of weekly services	How long have you been at this pastorate?
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Do you have a "Sunday School" type of program? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	How often do you have Communion in your church?	What is the seating capacity of your church facility?
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Please list the guest speakers you have had in your church during the past 6 months.

What is the distance in kilometres between your church and the closest church pastored by a RHEMA graduate? _____

If you are in a position other than a pastorate, please answer the following questions.

Whom do you consider to be your pastor? _____

Name of your church, which you assist, travel out of, and/or attend: _____

Pastor's name: _____ Size of congregation: _____

Describe your relationship with your home church and pastor.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Yes No Do you agree with the statement of faith found on page 11-12?

APPLICATION FEE

Individuals Application Fee (\$55.00)

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED?

Did you enclose two copies of a recent photograph? Yes No

Did you enclose your application fee? Yes No

If you are an **itinerant**, did you remember to attach:

- a current schedule of church or evangelistic meetings for the previous three months and the upcoming three months? Yes No
- a letter of recommendation from two pastors for whom you recently ministered? Yes No

If you are a **pastor**, is another RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD member or 3-5 members of your congregation providing a signed letter attesting to your position, church start date, location, service times, and schedule? Yes No

If you are a **missionary** or serve in a **supportive** position, is the pastor or the head of the ministry for which you work, or a fellow missionary, providing a letter attesting to your position and/or level of ministerial involvement and detailing your ministerial duties and responsibilities? Yes No

Please read carefully the following affidavit of agreement before signing.

I acknowledge that I agree with the Constitution, Statement of Faith, and Ministerial Ethics proclaimed, practiced, and set forth by the RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD.

I hereby state my willingness to submit to the spiritual authority and guidelines of the RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD. If at any time I feel I can no longer agree with the beliefs and practices of this organisation, or if it is requested by those in authority, I will forfeit and return my ministerial credentials (certificate and card) to RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD. I further understand that my credentials are to be returned if I cease to function in a qualifying ministerial position.

I understand that the RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD *Membership Handbook and Directory* gives an update on all members annually. This includes not only active members, but also those whose memberships have "Lapsed" due to non-renewal, those who have become "Inactive," those who have "Withdrawn," and those who may have been "Dismissed" during the course of the year. I understand that if my membership lapses, or if I become inactive, withdraw from, or am dismissed from RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD, my name will appear in the appropriate category in the next RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD *Membership Handbook and Directory*.

Please find enclosed the application fee of \$55.00.

Signature

Date

MINISTER'S RECOMMENDATION

Name of Applicant

Last

First

Middle

The above named person is applying for Ministerial Credentials with RHEMA Family Churches Australia. The questions listed below should be answered honestly and correctly, for serious consideration will be given to your answers.

Our files are kept confidential, so please complete this form to the best of your ability and return it to our office please.

- How long have you known the above person? _____ years.
- Has your relationship been: Intensive Very close Close Casual
 Intermittent Distant Other _____
- What has been the nature of your acquaintance? Were you . . .
CHURCH: Pastor Sunday school teacher Choir Director/Music Minister
 Co-worker Fellowship Other _____
SOCIAL: Friend of the family Personal friend Neighbour Other _____
- To your knowledge, does this individual have a definite call to the ministry?
 Yes No Do not know

Comments

- To your knowledge, is applicant currently involved in active ministry? Yes No Do not know

6. Pulpit Experience/Preaching and Teaching: <input type="checkbox"/> Well-experienced <input type="checkbox"/> Light experience <input type="checkbox"/> No experience <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know	7. Work Ability (in the ministry): <input type="checkbox"/> Very industrious; does more than required <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory work ability <input type="checkbox"/> Enough to get by <input type="checkbox"/> Does not meet minimum requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know
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8. Stability/Ability to withstand pressure: <input type="checkbox"/> Tolerates pressure well <input type="checkbox"/> Average tolerance/usually remains calm <input type="checkbox"/> Easily irritated <input type="checkbox"/> Cannot handle pressure <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know	9. Personal Organisation: <input type="checkbox"/> Conscientious, tidy, and clean <input type="checkbox"/> Fairly neat <input type="checkbox"/> Tends to be disorderly <input type="checkbox"/> Disorderly and untidy <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know
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10. Response/Attitude to Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> Helpful and cooperative <input type="checkbox"/> Usually responsive <input type="checkbox"/> Resentful of authority <input type="checkbox"/> Not cooperative/very resentful <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know	11. Emotional Stability: <input type="checkbox"/> Self-controlled and mature <input type="checkbox"/> Usually stable <input type="checkbox"/> Moody and changeable <input type="checkbox"/> Many uncontrolled periods/unstable <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know
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12. From your knowledge of the applicant's general character, past record, and present behaviour, check any of the following which apply:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Uses tobacco | <input type="checkbox"/> Has been involved in serious community disturbances |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gambles | <input type="checkbox"/> Has been arrested for other than minor traffic violations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drinks alcoholic beverages | <input type="checkbox"/> Has a reputation for involvement in behaviour indicating serious moral weakness |

13. Having observed this person in the ministry, would you:

- Highly recommend
 Recommend
 Recommend with reservations
 Please list reservations _____
 Not recommend
 I do not know enough about his/her ministry to make a valid recommendation

14. Please give us your personal comments on the integrity of the applicant to aid us in our decision-making.

15. **If you are completing this form for a current or future staff member, please attach a separate letter, which specifically details this individual's current or future ministerial duties and responsibilities.**

Signature: _____

Age: 18-25 26-35 36-50 over 50

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____

Telephone () _____

Ministry Name: _____

Your Position: _____

Organisation of Ordination _____ Year _____

Are you a RHEMA graduate? Yes No Year(s) _____

RELATIVE'S RECOMMENDATION

Name of Applicant

Last

First

Middle

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1. How long have you known the above person? _____ years.
2. Has your relationship been: Intensive Very close Close Casual
 Intermittent Distant Other _____
3. What is your relationship with this individual? _____
4. To your knowledge, does this individual have a definite call to the ministry?
 Yes No Do not know

Comments _____

5. To your knowledge, is the applicant currently involved in active ministry?
 Yes No Do not know

6. Pulpit Experience/Preaching and Teaching: <input type="checkbox"/> Well-experienced <input type="checkbox"/> Light experience <input type="checkbox"/> No experience <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know	7. Work Ability (in the ministry): <input type="checkbox"/> Very industrious; does more than required <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory work ability <input type="checkbox"/> Enough to get by <input type="checkbox"/> Does not meet minimum requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Do not know
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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____

Telephone () _____

Ministry Name: _____

Your Position: _____

Organisation of Ordination _____ Year _____

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RECOMMENDATION

Name of Applicant

Last

First

Middle

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APPLICATION FOR CHURCH AFFILIATION

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Last name		First	Middle	Date:
Home address (Missionaries, please use Australian address, if applicable)			Home Phone: ()	
City:		State:		Post code:
Email address		Web address		

Church address		Office Phone: ()		
City:		State:		Post code:
Email address		Web address		

Name of Senor Pastor				
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To which address do you prefer correspondence be sent?		Office Address		Home Address
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Do you teach about being born again and baptized in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking with other tongues?		Yes		No
Is your organisation a constituted entity?		Yes		No

What field of ministries are you presently operating within your ministry?

- Pastor
 Assistant Pastor
 Missionary
 Evangelist
 Itinerant Minister
 Minister of Music
 Bible studies
 Minister of Youth
 Minister of Children
 Chaplain
 home fellowships

Other (please state) _____

How long have you been in the building you are currently in? _____

What are you service times? _____

What is your status with RHEMA Bible Training Centre?

- Certificate Holder Year attended: _____
 Graduate Year(s) attended: _____
 Have not attended RBTC

Give a brief history of your work for the Lord. Please be specific enough so that we know the basic time elements involved.

Name, addresses and telephone numbers of current board members.

Name, addresses and telephone numbers of any assistant/associate pastors.

What is the primary emphasis/thrust of your ministry?

What do you anticipate your work for the Lord will be in the future?

Why do you seek affiliation with RHEMA Family Church's Australia LTD?

Have you ever been involved in a church split? Yes No (If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.)

With what other ministerial organisations do you currently hold credentials (specify licensing or ordination)?

Avg. Sunday morning attendance	Schedule of weekly services	How long have you been at this pastorate?
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Do you have a "Sunday School" type of program? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	How often do you have Communion in your church?	What is the seating capacity of your church facility?
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Please list the guest speakers you have had in your church during the past 6 months.



What is the distance in kilometres between your church and the closest church pastored by a RFCA? _____

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Yes No Do you agree with the statement of faith found on page 11-12 of the RHEMA Denomination Guidelines for Ministries and Churches.

APPLICATION FEE

Church Application Fee (\$55.00)

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Signature

Date

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
Marriage Act 1961

NOMINATION OF MINISTER OF RELIGION

The **National Ministries of the church of God LTD**, being a recognised denomination
(Name of recognised denomination)

for the purpose of the *Marriage Act 1961*, nominates
(Full name of minister of religion)

who is a Minister of that recognised denomination, for registration under Division 1 of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*.

Dated the day of, 20.....

.....
(Signature of person or persons authorised by the recognised denomination to nominate ministers of religion for registration)

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(Designation of the person or of each person who signs the nomination)

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF MINISTER OF RELIGION

To the Registrar of Ministers of Religion for

I,, apply for registration under Division 1
(Name in full)

of Part IV of the *Marriage Act 1961*, and set out the following particulars in support of my application:

1. I am a **Minister of National Ministries of the church of God LTD**
(Designation of the applicant) (Name of recognised denomination)
2. I ordinarily reside at
3. I have attained the age of twenty-one years, having been born on the day of, 19.....
4. I am a subject
(Nationality)

Dated the day of 20.....

.....
(Signature)

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I,,
(Name, address and occupation)

....., do solemnly and sincerely declare that the particulars set out in support of the above application for registration as a minister of religion are true.

And I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*, and subject to the penalties provided by that Act for the making of false statements in statutory declarations, conscientiously believing the statement contained in this declaration to be true in every particular.

.....
(Signature)

Declared at the day of, 20.....

Before me,

.....
(Signature of person before me whom the declaration is made)

.....
(Title)

NOTE: 1. – A person who wilfully makes a false statement in a statutory declaration under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959* as amended is guilty of an offence against That Act, the punishment for which is a fine not exceeding \$200 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or both if the offence is prosecuted summarily, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding four years if the offence is prosecuted upon indictment.

NOTE: 2. – A statutory declaration under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*, as amended may be made only before a Chief Police Resident or Special Magistrate Stipendiary Magistrate or any Magistrate in respect of whose office an annual salary is payable, a Justice of the Peace; a person authorised under any law in force in Australia or its Territories to take affidavits; a person appointed under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959* as amended or under a State Act to be a Commissioner for Declarations; a person appointed as a Commissioner for Declarations under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1911* or under that Act as amended and holding office immediately before the commencement of the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959*; a Notary Public; a person before whom a statutory declaration may be made under the law of the State in which a declaration is made; or a person appointed to hold, or act in the office in a country or place outside Australia of Australian Consul-General, Consul, Vice-Consul, Trade Commissioner, Consular Agent, Ambassador, High Commissioner, Commissioner, Minister, Head of Mission, Commissioner, Charge d' Affairs or Counsellor, Secretary or Attaché at an Embassy, High Commissioner's office, Legation or other post.