



First Baptist Church of Kissimmee

Volunteer Application

GENERAL INFORMATION:

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| First Name: | MI: | Last Name: | |
| Current Address: | | | |
| City & State: | | Zip: | Years at Address: |
| Home Phone: | | Cell Phone: | |
| Email: | | | |
| Marital Status: ___Single ___Married ___Divorced ___Widowed | | | |
| Work Status: ___Part-Time ___Full-Time ___Homemaker ___Student ___Retired | | | |
| Occupation: | | Employer: | |
| How long have you attended this church? ___Years ___Months | | Are you a Member of FBC Kissimmee? ___Yes ___No | |
| <i>All volunteers must be actively attending FBC for at least 6 months prior to serving. Teachers, ministry leaders, and staff must also be a church member. If you would like to speak with someone about moving forward and becoming a member please check this box.</i> | | | <input type="checkbox"/> |

PREVIOUS ADDRESSES (last 5 years):

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| Previous Address: | | |
| City & State: | Zip: | Years at Address: |
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| City & State: | Zip: | Years at Address: |

DESIRED MINISTRY AREAS:

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| 1- | 2- |
| 3- | 4- |

OFFICE STAFF ONLY (initial and date each section):

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| References Checked: | Interview Completed: | BGC Completed: | Photo ID Needed: ___ Y ___ N |
| Pastoral Staff Approval: | | | Date: |

Statement of Faith

It is vital for leaders and volunteers in our church to agree on important matters of faith and doctrine. All leaders are expected to serve and minister in accordance with the *Baptist Faith and Message 2000* of the Southern Baptist Convention. A summary of doctrinal positions can be found in this condensed Statement of Faith. Please take time to review this statement and the *Baptist Faith and Message 2000*.

We Believe...

I. The Bible is the Word of God - In accordance with II Timothy 3:16 and II Peter 1:21, the Bible was written by men under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as a supernatural revelation of God. The Scriptures are literally God-breathed and contain no mixture of error. The truth of Scripture and the person of Christ are the foundations of the church and stand in direct opposition to the moral ills of society.

II. Salvation is by Grace Alone - In accordance with Ephesians 2:8-9, we are saved by God's grace at the point of personal faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Man is sinful and does not have the ability to save himself, least of all by good works. However, in accordance with James 2:14-17, our faith will be evidenced by good works, obedience, and the fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23).

III. The Believer is Eternally Secure - In accordance with John 10:27-29 and Romans 8:38-39, if an individual has made a true, heart-changing decision to accept Christ, then they can never lose their salvation. When a saved person sins, their fellowship with God is interrupted, but never broken (I John 1:9). Likewise, those who do not trust Christ in this lifetime will spend eternity in hell (Revelation 21:8).

IV. In the Priesthood of the Believer - In accordance with I John 2:1 and Hebrews 4:14-16, Christ Himself is our Advocate and High Priest. We have no need for human intermediaries because the blood of Christ has made each believer a child in God's own family. Therefore we have direct access to God in confession, prayer, worship, and through His Word.

V. Baptism is by Immersion for the Believer - In accordance with Matthew 28:19-20 and Romans 6:3-5, baptism is done in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is not a means of salvation, but it is the believer's symbolic identification with the death and resurrection of Christ and the cleansing of the Holy Spirit. In accordance with the Greek translation, true baptism is by immersion as an act of obedience, and it is reserved for persons who can express a certain degree of sincerity and understanding of their faith (as determined by church leaders).

VI. Church Government is Congregational - In accordance with Colossians 1:18 and Acts 13 and 15, Christ is the Head of the church. Under His direction, First Baptist Church of Kissimmee is Pastor-led, Deacon-served, Committee-functioned, and Congregationally-approved. The congregation, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, is the most basic unit of church government. Through prayerful submission to God and His Word, members are responsible for selecting their leaders, developing the church constitution, preserving unity and purity in the body, as well as exacting church discipline when necessary.

I agree to serve, lead, and teach in accordance with and not in contradiction of this statement of faith and the Baptist Faith and Message 2000.

Volunteer Initials: _____

SPIRITUAL TESTIMONY:
Please write a brief testimony about how you became a Christian (dates) and your walk with the Lord.

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MINISTRY EXPERIENCE:
Please list dates and activities of other ministry experiences here or at other churches.

| <u>Dates:</u> | <u>Location:</u> | <u>Activity:</u> | <u>Point of Contact:</u> |
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LIFESTYLE QUESTIONS:

Applicant will not automatically be disqualified because of response to the following questions.

Have you ever been arrested, charged, or convicted of a crime?

_____ Yes

_____ No

If yes, please explain:

Have you ever been accused or convicted of any form of child abuse, sexual abuse, or domestic violence?

_____ Yes

_____ No

If yes, please explain:

It is the conviction of First Baptist Church of Kissimmee that alcohol and substance abuse are major problems in our society. We believe the best way to prevent alcohol and substance abuse related issues - and to preserve your Christian testimony - is to avoid the use of such substances altogether. As a church we unapologetically expect that all those serving and representing the Lord and His church must abstain from drunkenness and the illegal use of any substance.

As a volunteer, I affirm and agree to abide by this expectation. I further agree to protect and preserve the reputation of the Lord, His Church, and my Christian witness in my personal and legal activities.

Volunteer Initials: _____

I would like to talk with a staff person regarding my background and/or these questions and expectations.

_____ Yes

_____ No

CHARACTER REFERENCES (must provide 3 non-family references):

| <u>Name:</u> | <u>Phone:</u> | <u>Relationship:</u> | <u>Years Known:</u> |
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BACKGROUND CHECK AUTHORIZATION:

To provide the best possible safety and care of our church and its members, participants, and resources, we require every volunteer to submit to a criminal background check. Please provide the following information to complete this process. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. ***Your information will remain completely confidential.***

Date of Birth: / / Gender: ____M ____F U.S. Citizen ____Yes ____No

Driver's License #: DL State:

Maiden Name: Other Alias:

I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information on this application is correct. I authorize any reference listed on this application to supply information that may impact my service at First Baptist Church of Kissimmee. By signing, I also give said church permission to do a criminal background check within 90 days.

Volunteer Signature: _____ **Date:** _____