



## **REQUEST FOR RECOGNITION AS A FAITH GROUP ENDORSER**

**Candidate's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime Tel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Faith Group:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Official Endorser:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Daytime Tel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Website:** \_\_\_\_\_

We ask that you contact your faith group and have them provide the information requested below. Please include printed material and other documentation. If you have any questions, please contact Deryck Durston, ACPE Associate Director (deryck@acpe.edu).

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Is this faith group on the list of acceptable endorsers of the National Conference on Ministry to the Armed Forces (NCMAF)?
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Is this group on the listing of faith groups that participate in the COMISS Network?
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Has the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC) accepted endorsement(s) from this group?
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Is this group listed in the current year of Yearbook of American & Canadian Churches?
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Is this group listed in the current year of a publication (comparable to the Yearbook) for faith groups that are not from the Christian tradition?
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Are endorsements from your faith group handled by an umbrella group such as "Chaplaincy of the Full Gospel Churches" (CFGC), Coalition of Spirit-filled Churches, or "International New Thought Alliance" (INTA)? See Yearbook of American & Canadian Churches for a list of CFGC churches.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Can the candidate and/or the group provide printed materials and/or other documentation to indicate that the group can be considered a faith group?



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## FAITH GROUP INFORMATION FORM

**Candidate's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Faith Group Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Faith Group Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the following information about your faith group. We will contact you after a review of the information has been conducted and a decision has been reached by the ACPE Certification Commission. **Please include printed materials and other documentation.**

**Is this a totally independent congregation or does it belong to a loose organization of like-minded independent congregations?**  Yes, totally independent  No, part of larger organization: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following questions. (Please use a separate sheet of paper to address each item.)**

1. When was the congregation founded?
2. How many members belong to the congregation?
3. What is the structure and organization of the congregation?
4. Is this group recognized as a congregation by the community?
5. How is the clergy leadership obtained for the congregation?
6. How are persons prepared and trained for ministry and pastoral care service?
7. What are the procedures followed by the congregation in ordaining and endorsing clergy for pastoral care service (chaplaincy)?
8. What are the procedures for commissioning and endorsing laypersons for pastoral care service?
9. As an independent congregation, what other information can you share to give the ACPE a well-rounded picture of your faith group?

**Please list the name(s) of known chaplain/clergy that can be contacted regarding the congregation?**

Official Endorser: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Clergy Leadership: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_