

Deacon Questionnaire

DEACON HANDBOOK APPENDIX A

The Deacon Ministry of
First Baptist Church, Garland, Texas

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Birthdate: _____ Date Joined FBC, Garland: _____

Joined by: Letter Statement Baptism Other _____

Upon completion return this form to:

First Baptist Church, Garland
801 W Ave. D
Garland, TX 75040
ATTN: Pastor



Please briefly describe your salvation experience and name of church where you were baptized.

Have you ever been ordained as a deacon? Yes No
If yes, give name of church:

Do you feel you can conscientiously support the total church program? Yes No

Are you willing to serve as a deacon? Yes No

Have you read the qualifications of a deacon and a deacon's wife in Acts 6:1-7 and I Timothy 3? Yes No

Has your wife read these Scriptures? (Please read them carefully together). Yes No

Are you faithful in your stewardship by tithing to First Baptist Church Garland? Yes No

Do you currently have a Prayer Chapel hour? Yes No

If not, would you be willing to accept responsibility for an hour in the Prayer Chapel? Yes No

Will you be able to actively participate in the Outreach Ministry of First Baptist Church? Yes No

If not, why? _____

Are you willing to abide by the church constitution/bylaws? Yes No

Would you be willing to give a testimony before the church and submit to the questioning of an ordaining council? Yes No

Would you object to this questionnaire being reviewed by the Deacon Confirmation Committee? (Your response will be kept confidential by this committee.) Yes No

Do you adhere to the central doctrines accepted by Baptists as far as you know? Yes No

Can you be faithful in attendance at the regular deacons' meetings (appx. 6 a year)? Yes No

One of the responsibilities for a deacon is to be available to assist the pastor in receiving new members at the worship services. Would you make yourself available to assist the pastor after being trained?

Yes No

Would your wife?

Yes No

Have you ever been trained to share your faith?

Yes No

If yes, what training did you receive?

- Four Spiritual Laws Roman Road
- Continuing Witnessing Training
- Marked New Testament
- Evangelism Explosion
- Power Band
- Other _____

Would you be willing to accept "Deacon of the Week" assignments as outlined in the manual?

Yes No

Do you personally feel that you provide loving, godly leadership for your home, and that you are committed to managing your children with Christ-like principles?

Yes No

Have you ever been divorced?

Yes No

Please list below the areas where you feel you are spiritually gifted, are serving or desire to serve in the life of our church: (e.g.. worship service, Bible Study, choir, outreach, etc.)

Please briefly give your views on the following and cite Scripture references:

- State your belief about salvation and what you believe about the security of the believer:

- What do you believe about the authority and inspiration of the Scripture?

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- In your opinion, what is the mission of the church?

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- What do you believe the Bible teaches about the deacon's responsibilities to the home?

- Briefly explain who the Holy Spirit is, and what He does for believers and what it means to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

Remarks or comments on any of the previous questions:

Signature

Date

THE DEACONSHIP

The word "deacon" means servant or minister and came to be used by the church to designate a special position in the church. The deaconship, therefore, signifies a position of special Christian service. Both the Scripture and the dignity of the office demand a person of the highest spiritual, moral and practical qualifications:

I. SPIRITUAL QUALIFICATIONS (ACTS 6:1-6)

- A. Full of the Holy Spirit.
- B. Full of Wisdom.
- C. Full of Faith.

II. MORAL QUALIFICATIONS (I TIMOTHY 3: 8-10, 12-13)

- A. Worthy of respect**
- B. Sincere**
- C. Not indulging in much wine**
- D. Not pursuing dishonest gain**
- E. The husband of one wife**
- F. Manages his children and household well**

III. QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE WIFE OF A DEACON (I TIMOTHY 3:11)

- A. Worthy of respect
- B. Not malicious talker
- C. Temperate
- D. Trustworthy in everything

IV. PRACTICAL DUTIES

- A. Loyal support of the pastor and staff.
- B. Faithful attendance at the services of the church.

- C. Encouragement of and participation in the organizations of the church - Sunday School, Music, Church Training, Outreach, Prayer Room, etc.
- C. "A consistent commitment to stewardship shall be attested by the Deacon's example of tithing to the Church." (from the Church Constitution)
- D. Personal evangelism among the lost and visitation of the sick, shut-ins and indifferent of the membership.
- E. Regular attendance at the meetings of the deacons.
- F. Assistance with new member assimilation.
- G. Participation in the "Deacons of the Week" assignments.

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I have read the spiritual, moral qualifications and practical duties for being a deacon. Believing that those qualifications and duties are Scriptural and reasonable; I pledge myself to do all within my power to bring honor to this high office and glory to the name of Christ by striving to meet them.

Signature

Did your wife also read the qualifications for being a deacon? If she is in agreement with the qualifications and supportive of you if elected, please have her sign below.

Signature

YES, my wife and I will attend the Deacon Orientation sessions together.

Signature