



1. OPTIONS FOR APPLICATION

- a. **Online application** – this will be forwarded to the CCCC Home Office upon completion. You will be linked to the donation page upon completion of the form where you can submit the application fee of \$125.00. (Payment is required to process application)
- b. **PDF application** – this is a fillable PDF that can be downloaded to your computer. You can fill out the application and mail it to the CCCC Home Office and send a check for the application fee of \$125.00. (Payment is required to process application)

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You can also email this to the CCCC Home Office at **homeoffice@cccusa.com**. You can mail a check to the home office or go to the Donation page on the CCCC website and make a payment of \$125.00 for the application fee.

- c. HANDWRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

2. SELECT THE APPROPRIATE STANDING THAT YOU ARE APPLYING FOR.

- a. **Ordained Minister** – Persons who have a vocational call to a specific place of service that involves the ministry of the Word and have been ordained in a manner meeting Conference standard. This requires a duly called council which examines a person about their conversion, call to ministry, theological beliefs, and pastoral theology. These candidates shall meet the minimum academic attainment of a degree from an accredited Bible institute or the equivalent in formal education or Christian service. The Conference considers seminary training to be desirable.

Applicants for standing as an Ordained Minister must submit the following items with the application.

- A copy of the written call of the ordination council
- A copy of the minutes of the ordination council, including a roster of the churches and minister attending
- Any papers presented by the candidate at the ordination council
- A copy of the service of ordination
- A copy of the ordination certificate.

- b. **Licensed Minister** – Persons who are not ordained but have a call to a specific pastoral ministry. Ministerial license confers authority to perform the regular functions of parish ministry, including the solemnization of marriages where legally permissible. This standing necessitates the same academic standards of ordained ministry. This license requires continued engagement in ministry and is renewable annually.

- c. **Commissioned Christian Worker** – Persons who have been commissioned into a Christian vocation that does not involve pastoral ministry. Missionaries, church staff members and para-church workers fall in this category.

- d. **Lay Preacher** – Persons who have an active lay witness of preaching and service in a local church. This license requires the recommendation of a member church and precludes regular pastoral duties.

3. **PREPARE THE PERSONAL STATEMENT** (limit 3000-5000 words total)

- a. **Your doctrinal beliefs** on each of the statements listed in our CCCC Statement of Faith, with Scriptural references – Please state your personal beliefs and convictions on these matters.
- b. **Your views on the nature and role of the church** and the place of Christianity among world religions.
- c. **Your views on the following doctrines:** (Include Scripture references in your statements.)
 - (a) baptism,
 - (b) communion,
 - (c) eschatology,
 - (d) charismatic movement,
 - (e) predestination,
 - (f) eternal security,
 - (g) any other doctrines that are especially important to you.
- d. Your view of the **relationship of the local church to denominational and other bodies.**
- e. **Why you desire membership in the CCCC?** How can the CCCC help you? How can you help the CCCC?
- f. List **your spiritual gifts** for ministry.
- g. **Personal doctrinal statement** – additional references or other documents you may wish to attach to your application file.

These documents can be included in the online application or uploaded as separate documents.

4. **TRANSCRIPTS**

- a. Please submit transcripts from colleges and seminaries where you did your theological preparation.

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