

## **Affiliate Church Application**

When Faith Christian Fellowship was first birthed in the heart of Pastor Buddy and Pat Harrison, the vision seemed so big; but, God promised to join together able and cunning workmen, skilled and committed to the vision. We believe you are part of the family that God was speaking of.

Faith Christian Fellowship is a family within the family of God, called to be a legal and spiritual covering to those who are in relationship with us. Relationship in Christ is a covenant relationship, whereby we are blessed to be a blessing.

Congregational members have a covering in their local church, as do Affiliate and Associate Churches/Ministries have a covering with FCF Int'l. We believe those in a relationship with us are blessed and walking in the overflow of God's abundance. It is part of God's plan, and our expectation, that those in the family (Affiliate and Associate Churches and Evangelistic Ministries) apply the principle of the tithe by sending their undesignated tithe to FCF in Tulsa.

It is our desire and goal to Connect relationally with you, equipping you to achieve the vision God has given, and empowering you to walk in your divine destiny.

Please read the following Affiliation Requirements for Churches and fill out the Affiliate Application.

Mail to:

FCF Int'l  
PO Box 35443  
Tulsa, OK 74153

## **AFFILIATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHURCHES**

1. The president of an FCF Affiliate Church must be ordained with FCF Int'l.
2. Must submit a fee of \$885 with the completed application.
3. Must complete annual Renewal forms and return them to the Int'l Office by January 31<sup>st</sup>, along with the \$200 annual Renewal fee. These Renewal forms will include a report of the financial condition of the church for review and approval. An annual Renewal not postmarked by January 31<sup>st</sup> will be charged a late fee of \$100. No late Renewal will be accepted until the late fee is paid.
4. FCF is a family within the family of God, called to be a legal and spiritual covering to those who are in relationship with us. Relationship in Christ is a covenant relationship whereby we are blessed to be a blessing. We believe those in relationship with us are blessed and walking in the overflow of God's abundance. It is part of God's plan that those in the family (Affiliate churches and ministries) apply the principle of the tithe by sending their undesignated tithe to FCF International in Tulsa.
5. Must operate exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purposes and maintain tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.
6. Must operate within the meaning of Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code.
7. Must agree with the FCF Int'l Church Tenets of Faith.
8. Must incorporate under the FCF Int'l. Group Exemption. The Articles and By Laws have been copyrighted for FCF and will be provided upon initial approval of the application.
9. Must complete the Affiliation Documents that will be provided upon initial approval of the application. The Documents consist of the Articles of Incorporation, Minutes of Corporate Meeting, Waiver of Notice of Meeting and Affiliation Resolution. The Documents establish the following facts about the new Affiliate Ministry Corporation:
  - a. This corporation will be organized and operated for religious purposes according to the IRS Code.
  - b. The FCF Int'l Tenets of Faith are this corporation's tenets of faith.
  - c. No monies of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any of its officers or directors.
  - d. The functions and qualifications of the officers and directors of this corporation are listed. There are no less than three officers or directors of this corporation (not consisting solely of family members).
  - e. This corporation CANNOT license or ordain ministers. This corporation CAN recommend candidates to FCF Int'l for license or ordination.

f. The Affiliation Documents of FCF Int'l do NOT govern the following:

- 1) The administration of the activities or the finances of the corporation.
- 2) The ownership of the assets of the corporation.

10. The Affiliation Program automatically includes the legal work necessary to incorporate and results in the Affiliate becoming tax exempt under the FCF Int'l Group Exemption Number. After the initial legal work is completed, the Affiliate is responsible for its own legal and financial counsel.

Note: When the legal work is completed, the Affiliate will receive the Corporate Book, Corporate Seal and State Charter from the attorney's office and FCF International Office will send an Affiliate Certificate.

11. Must appoint a registered agent upon incorporation, preferably the President of the Ministry.

12. The Affiliation process is entirely complete when the Affiliate receives an Affiliate Certificate from the FCF International Office

13. Must elect directors and officers annually in accordance with the by-laws. Must hold a Board Meeting in the month of December for this purpose and to establish housing allowance, unless the Board orders a different date.

14. Must keep minutes of all corporate board meetings.

15. Must end corporate calendar year in December.

16. Must obtain a depository bank account with designated signatures on the account.

17. Must keep records of finances received and disbursed.

18. The FCF International attorney is available to give LIMITED advice to the FCF Affiliate Free of charge. Contact can be made through [www.FCF.org](http://www.FCF.org)

19. The FCF International Office staff members are prepared to assist with guidance, counsel and prayer upon request.

20. FCF Representatives throughout the country are appointed by the International Office to assist Affiliates with counsel, prayer, fellowship, Etc.

Note: FCF International reserves the right to terminate Affiliation with any church that does not abide by the FCF International Articles, By Laws, and/or Tenets of Faith.

## **Tenets of Faith of FCF International**

The programs and activities of FCF International at all times shall be based upon the following beliefs:

A. The Bible is the mind of Christ and is the inspired, the only infallible and authoritative Word of God. (2 Tim. 3:16-17—a God-breathed word)

B. There is one God manifested in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C. The reality of Satan and his present control over unregenerate man does exist. (John 10:10; 2 Cor. 4:4)  
Christianity is based upon the following:

1. The deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His virgin birth.
2. His sinless life.
3. His miracles.
4. His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood.
5. His bodily resurrection.
6. His ascension to the right hand of the Father.
7. His personal return in power and glory as Lord of Lords and King of Kings.
8. The fall of man and his lost estate, which makes necessary rebirth through confession and belief in the Lord Jesus Christ.
9. The reconciliation of man to God by the substitutionary death and shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.
10. The resurrection of believers unto everlasting life and blessing in Heaven, and the resurrection of unbelievers unto everlasting punishments in the torments of hell.
11. The present supernatural ministry of the Holy Spirit, who bestows the spiritual gifts of the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, faith, gifts of healing, working of miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, various kinds of tongues in and among believers on the earth since the day of Pentecost and continuing until or Lord's return.

## AFFILIATE CHURCH APPLICATION

Please answer all questions in detail. Use the next page, if additional space is needed to finish your answers.

### Church Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Website \_\_\_\_\_

Current type of church government:  Deacon Board  Elder Board  Pastor  Other If other, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Date church was established \_\_\_\_\_ If incorporated, the Employer ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Has it ever split, or is it the result of a split?  Yes  No If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Has there ever been heresy involved?  Yes  No If yes, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

What is the vision of the church? \_\_\_\_\_

Average attendance \_\_\_\_\_

What is the relationship to other churches and pastors in the community?

How does the community at large view the church? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your church have a Youth Minister? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If "Yes," who is your Youth Minister?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your Youth Minister involved with FCF's Youth Network? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If "Yes," in what ways? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a Youth Minister, is he/she credentialed? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If "Yes", name of organization with whom credentials are held? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a Youth Minister, is he/she a \_\_\_ full-time employee \_\_\_ part-time employee  
\_\_\_ volunteer/lay-minister?

## Pastor Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Born Again Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date you were filled with the Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been in the ministry? \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you pastored this church? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your previous ministerial experience. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you credentialed with another organization?  Yes  No If "Yes", date credentialed \_\_\_\_\_

Name of organization \_\_\_\_\_

Are you ordained with FCF?  Yes  No If not, have you completed an application?  Yes  No

How did you learn about FCF? \_\_\_\_\_

Use the space below to complete answers to questions.

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Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ Amt: \_\_\_\_\_