

## Categories For Ordination Work:

### A. Applicants with a diploma or degree from a recognized college shall:

- Submit 5 book reports
- Submit 2 preaching tapes
- Write a major research paper
- Complete an internship

### B. Applicants without a diploma or degree, but with some formal theological training shall:

- Submit up to 25 book reports
- Submit 2 preaching tapes
- Write 4 major research papers
- Complete an internship

### C. Mature applicants without a diploma or degree, but with substantial ministry experience shall:

- Submit 5 book reports
- Submit 2 preaching tapes
- Write a major research paper
- Submit a ministry resume

### D. Applicants transferring from another recognized ecclesiastical body shall:

- Submit a copy of a current Ordination Certificate
- Submit book reports on the following
  - Our Apostolic Heritage *R.A. Larden*
  - The Baptism in the Holy Spirit *G.S. McLean*
  - The Discipline of Grace *Jerry Bridges*
- Where possible, provide references from current ecclesiastical body
- State reasons for leaving current ecclesiastical body and reason for desiring membership with ACOP.

## **C** HURCH AFFILIATION

Churches wishing to affiliate with the Apostolic Church of Pentecost should contact the ACOP International Office at the address listed on the front of this brochure and request information about local church affiliation.

## **F** OR MORE INFORMATION

about membership in ACOP, our group insurance program or to obtain the name of the district presbyter in your area, please contact our International Office [acop@acop.ca](mailto:acop@acop.ca)



## *BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF PENTECOST*

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# Becoming a Member of the Apostolic Church of Pentecost

*“The Apostolic Church of Pentecost is an international network of ministries and churches providing fellowship, encouragement and accountability in the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.”*

**There are three categories of membership in the Apostolic Church of Pentecost—they are as follows:**

## A SSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

is for men and women who are involved in lay or Para-church ministry and who are desirous of ministerial fellowship and a spiritual covering, but who are not at the present time pursuing ordination. Associate members must be at least 19 years of age.

If you are interested in becoming an Associate member of ACOP, you should contact your district presbyter. At his discretion, he will arrange to have an application package sent to you. The completed application along with the application fee should be forwarded to your presbyter.

Once your application is approved, you will be asked to send a pro-rated portion of the annual membership fee. Once the fee has been received, a membership card will be issued. Associate members are encouraged to attend and participate in conferences, as non-voting members.

## L ICENSED MEMBERSHIP

is for men and women who are involved in a ministerial capacity which necessitates formal ministerial recognition.

If you are interested in becoming a Licensed member of ACOP, you should contact your district presbyter. At his discretion, he will arrange to have an application package sent to you. The completed application along with the application fee should be forwarded to your presbyter. The presbyter will contact you for an interview.

Once your application has been approved, you will be asked to:

**Submit book reports on the following three books:**

- Our Apostolic Heritage *R.A. Larden*
- The Baptism in the Holy Spirit *G.S. McLean*
- The Discipline of Grace *Jerry Bridges*

**Write two exams:**

- A General Bible Exam
- An ACOP Exam

Upon successful completion of all requirements you will be asked to send a pro-rated portion of the annual Licensed Worker's Membership fee. Once the fee has been received, a membership card will be issued.

Those holding Licensed Worker's Membership are expected to attend district and national conferences as voting delegates.

## O RDAINED MEMBERSHIP

is for men and women with recognized ministries. Those with Ordained Membership status are afforded all the rights and privileges of a minister of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Ordained members are eligible for registration with provincial governments for the purpose of solemnizing weddings.

Applicants for Ordained Membership must have held Licensed Worker's Membership or have current ordained status with another recognized ecclesiastical body for a period of at least two years. Qualifying applicants should contact their district presbyter who at his discretion will arrange to have an application package sent.

The completed application, along with the application fee should be forwarded to the presbyter. He will then contact you to arrange an interview.

Once the application has been approved, you will be encouraged to proceed with the ordination process under the supervision of your district presbyter. The district presbyter will inform the credential committee that the applicant has satisfactorily completed the requirements for ordination. New applicants will be asked to send the pro-rated portion of the annual membership fee (there is no additional fee for current members).

Once the fee has been received, a certificate of ordination will be issued to the presbyter who will arrange and conduct an ordination service.