



# Rhema Ministerial Association International

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Dear RMAI Applicant:

As a graduate of Rhema Bible Training College, you share a rich heritage of faith and a mandate to carry the Gospel to the ends of the earth. As you pursue the call of God on your life, your formal connection should reflect the commitments and loyalties of the heart.

Committed to serving you on a local level, the RMAI organization has 18 Regional Directors and over 90 District Directors throughout the United States and Canada who stand ready to serve you. The international presence of RMAI is growing exponentially as well.

Our worldwide network provides connections to our membership in whatever circumstances you may find yourself. Whether through legal referrals, counsel, prayer, encouragement, ideas, resources, or connections with fellow alumni, we are here to serve you.

It is our desire to process your application as quickly and efficiently as possible. Please refer to the Licensing Application section of the Credentialing Information to prevent unnecessary delays.

Feel free to call the RMAI office concerning the status of your application at 918-258-1588, ext. 2256.

Serving you as you serve Him,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Douglas E. Jones".

Rev. Douglas E. Jones  
RMAI National Director



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## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

### Introduction

Rhema Ministerial Association International (RMAI) was founded by Rhema Bible Church as a support organization for Rhema Bible Training College graduates who are active in the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ. RMAI is designed to assist, equip, and govern members in reaching their most effective potential.

The intent of RMAI members should be to unite in the love of Christ for the souls of men and to serve one another in a genuine spirit of fellowship and concern.

### Purpose

1. To provide an avenue of unity, strength, and fellowship between Rhema Bible Training College graduates, Rhema Bible Church, and Kenneth Hagin Ministries.
2. To assist RMAI members in the establishment of the ministry to which God has called them.
3. To recognize proven ministries in the Body of Christ through membership in Rhema Ministerial Association International as licensed or ordained ministers.
4. To provide a vehicle through which counsel is available to a member for the purpose of encouraging accuracy and soundness in doctrine, procedure, ethics, and conduct.
5. To provide a system whereby ministerial replacements and interim ministers for churches or ministries may be recommended and contacted.
6. To assist in producing strong, capable, and ethical ministerial leadership in the Body of Christ.
7. To provide current ministerial information to the RMAI membership.



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## THE CONSTITUTION of Rhema Ministerial Association International (Goals and Purposes for Existence)

### **Article I—Name**

The name of this organization shall be Rhema Ministerial Association International (RMAI) under the auspices of Rhema Bible Church, aka Kenneth Hagin Ministries.

### **Article II—Nature of Rhema Ministerial Association International**

Rhema Ministerial Association International was founded January 1, 1985, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as an outreach ministry of Rhema Bible Church and Rhema Bible Training College. The primary nature of RMAI is to provide fellowship, leadership, and service for Rhema Bible Training College graduates in the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ.

In recognizing the unity of the entire Body of Christ and specifically the ministry gifts God has set in the Church as described in Ephesians 4:11–12, First Corinthians 12:28, and Romans 12:4–8, RMAI declares itself strongly in support of the supernatural ministries and operations of its members.

RMAI is an outreach and assistance organization to help establish Rhema Bible Training College graduates in ministry; license and ordain qualified ministerial candidates; govern its members; assist churches in locating pastors and qualified personnel; provide associate or affiliate status to qualifying churches; assist ministers in locating places of ministry; and provide information, advice, and referrals in various areas of organization such as nonprofit law, finances, publications, and administration.

RMAI meets regularly in conjunction with the Rhema Alumni Association for the purpose of providing members an opportunity for fellowship, as well as giving and receiving vision, direction, and valuable information leading to more effective ministry. RMAI will also function as a vehicle to review and approve applications for licensing and ordination with Rhema Bible Church.

Membership dues are \$150 per member per year. Membership dues for spouses of RMAI members who also hold RMAI credentials are \$75 per year. For members/missionaries residing overseas, membership dues are \$35 per year. Each member must renew membership dues annually to be considered an active member of RMAI. All members of RMAI must be licensed or ordained by RMAI, even though an applicant may hold ministerial credentials with other organizations. Membership in RMAI entitles one to an RMAI license or ordination certificate, as well as other benefits from RMAI functions throughout the one-year period.

RMAI adheres to biblical standards of righteousness in ministerial and personal conduct in accordance with the Scriptures: *“Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord”* (Hebrews 12:14).

RMAI is a worldwide network of ministers, working together to evangelize, establish churches, teach, organize missions projects, and pursue as many varied areas of ministry as may prove beneficial for the proclaiming of the Good News.

### ***Article III—Nature and Purpose of the RMAI Executive Administrative Board***

Rhema Ministerial Association International shall appoint an Executive Administrative Board that will consist of various ministers who hold offices and/or credentials with Rhema Bible Church, Inc., or its auspices.

The purpose of the Executive Administrative Board shall be:

1. To recognize Jesus Christ as the sovereign Head of the Church and Rhema Ministerial Association International.
2. To emphasize, encourage, and promote the fulfillment of the Great Commission: the evangelization of the nations.
3. To receive, review, and approve all applications from qualified candidates seeking membership in Rhema Ministerial Association International.
4. To be responsible for conducting all ordination services as needed in conjunction with the President of Rhema Bible Church and Rhema Bible Training College.

### ***Article IV—Officers***

The Rhema Ministerial Association International shall be governed by the Board of Trustees of Rhema Bible Church.

The Board of Trustees shall have the power to appoint regional directors to assist them in overseeing the RMAI membership. The number of regional directors shall be determined by the needs of the membership and the discretion of the Board of Trustees.

Each regional director must hold valid ordination credentials with RMAI. A regional director shall serve the RMAI members in his assigned geographical area, performing duties as outlined by the Board of Trustees.

### ***Article V—Disciplinary and Restoration Procedures***

The Executive Administrative Board desires to encourage all members of Rhema Ministerial Association International to fulfill their ministry in a scriptural and ethical manner. A member's conduct at all times should be as a minister and an ambassador of Christ. If, however, a member's conduct falls within the Suspension and Dismissal categories, the organization will take the necessary steps to provide complete discipline and restoration of the member.

Restoration of a minister is a process that brings the minister who has erred under discipline until he/she is ready to resume ministerial duties, if possible. Restoration is not a punishment, but a necessary time of mending using positive, corrective resources for complete recovery. When situations requiring discipline and restoration arise, RMAI members are to contact and seek the counsel of the National Office as to a course of action to facilitate the implementation of the process. However, if such attempts are not pursued and completed, suspension and possible dismissal may occur.

## **Article VI—Suspension in the Association**

Should the occasion arise when unbiblical conduct by a member is made known to the association, the association will begin the process of verifying all the allegations. If the allegations are confirmed and it's deemed necessary, the member shall be placed within the Suspension Category. At such time, a restoration path will be provided by the National Office.

RMAI members placed within the Suspension Category shall willingly submit their license or ordination certificate and clergy card to the National Office upon request. Members within the Suspension Category remain legally licensed or ordained and all ministerial privileges remain intact during this period. Reasons for suspension would include:

1. Spousal or child abuse
2. Sexual misconduct (including pornography)
3. Ethical violations in finances
4. Ethical violations with another church or minister
5. Failing to adhere to the association's Tenets of Faith

## **Article VII—Dismissal From the Association**

Any member refusing to submit to and adhere to sound counsel, correction, discipline, and restoration will be removed from the membership of RMAI and his/her ministerial credentials will be revoked.

## **Article VIII—Tenets of Faith**

The Tenets of Faith of RMAI shall be as follows:

*The Scriptures*—The Bible is the inspired Word of God, the product of holy men of old who spoke and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. We accept the New Covenant, as recorded in the New Testament, as our infallible guide in matters pertaining to conduct and doctrine (2 Tim. 3:16; 1 Thess. 2:13; 2 Peter 1:21).

*The Godhead*—Our God is one, but manifested in three persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, being co-equal (Phil. 2:6). God the Father is greater than all; the Sender of the Word (Logos) and the Begetter (John 14:28; John 16:28; John 1:14). The Son is the Word flesh-covered, the One Begotten, and has existed with the Father from the beginning (John 1:1; John 1:18; John 1:14). The Holy Spirit proceeds forth from both the Father and the Son and is eternal (John 15:26).

*Man, His Fall and Redemption*—Man is a created being, made in the likeness and image of God, but through Adam's transgression and fall, sin came into the world. "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." "As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one." Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was manifested to undo the works of the devil. He gave His life by shedding His blood to redeem and restore man back to God (Rom. 3:23; Rom. 3:10; Rom. 5:14; 1 John 3:8).

Salvation is the gift of God to man, separate from works and the law, and is made operative by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, producing works acceptable to God (Eph. 2:8).

*Eternal Life and the New Birth*—Man’s first step toward salvation is godly sorrow that leads to repentance. The New Birth is necessary to all men, and when experienced produces eternal life (2 Cor. 7:10; 1 John 5:12; John 3:3–5).

*Water Baptism*—Baptism in water is by immersion, is a direct commandment of our Lord, and is for believers only. The ordinance is a symbol of the Christian’s identification with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection (Matt. 28:19; Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12; Acts 8:36–39).

The following recommendation regarding the water baptismal formula is adopted; to wit: “On the confession of your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and by His authority, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

*Baptism in the Holy Spirit*—The Baptism in the Holy Spirit and fire is a gift from God as promised by the Lord Jesus Christ to all believers in this dispensation and is received subsequent to the New Birth. This experience is accompanied by the initial evidence of speaking in other tongues, as the Holy Spirit Himself gives utterance (Matt. 3:11; John 14:16–17; Acts 1:8; Acts 2:38–39; Acts 19:1–7; Acts 2:4).

*Sanctification*—The Bible teaches that without holiness no man can see the Lord. We believe in the Doctrine of Sanctification as a definite, yet progressive, work of grace, commencing at the time of regeneration and continuing until the consummation of salvation at Christ’s return (Heb. 12:14; 1 Thess. 5:23; 2 Peter 3:18; 2 Cor. 3:18; Phil. 3:12–14; 1 Cor. 1:30).

*Divine Healing*—Healing is for the physical ills of the human body and is wrought by the power of God through the prayer of faith and by the laying on of hands. It is provided for in the atonement of Christ and is the privilege of every member of the Church today (Mark 16:18; James 5:14–15; 1 Peter 2:24; Matt. 8:17; Isa. 53:4–5).

*Resurrection of the Just and the Return of Our Lord*—The angels said to Jesus’ disciples, “*This same Jesus . . . shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.*” His coming is imminent. When He comes, “*The dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air*” (Acts 1:11; 1 Thess. 4:16–17).

Following the Tribulation, Jesus shall return to earth as King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, and together with His saints, who shall be kings and priests, shall reign a thousand years (Rev. 20:6).

*Hell and Eternal Retribution*—The one who physically dies in his sins without accepting Christ is hopelessly and eternally lost in the lake of fire and, therefore, has no further opportunity of hearing the Gospel or repenting. The lake of fire is literal. The terms *eternal* and *everlasting*, used in describing the duration of the punishment of the damned in the lake of fire, carry the same thought and meaning of endless existence as used in denoting the duration of joy and ecstasy of the saints in the presence of God (Heb. 9:27; Rev. 19:20).

*Marriage and Sexual Relations*—The Church should only sanction or conduct a marriage between a man and a woman. God instituted marriage between male and female as the foundation of the family—the basic structure of human society (Gen. 2:24). God has commanded that no intimate sexual activity be engaged in other than in the context of marriage between a man and a woman (Gen. 19:5; Gen. 26:8–11; Lev. 18:1–30; Rom. 1:26–29; 1 Cor. 5:1; 1 Cor. 6:9; 1 Thess. 4:1–8; Heb. 13:4).



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## CREDENTIALING INFORMATION

### Description

RMAI licensing qualifies a member to preach or teach, officiate weddings, obtain ministerial entrance into hospitals and jails, and so forth. As state laws pertaining to the solemnization of marriages vary, it is important for the licensed minister to communicate with local civil authorities to determine what is required to perform weddings in his/her particular state. The RMAI license is recognized by the United States Government as a valid ministerial credential.

Licensing is RMAI's "first step" in the credentialing process. After two years, an upgrade to ordination may be applied for. Once an ordination upgrade has been approved, the member is eligible to participate in an ordination service during either Winter Bible Seminar or Campmeeting.

### Requirements for Credentials

1. The applicant must be a minimum of 20 years of age.
2. The applicant must be a Rhema Bible Training College graduate. *Those who hold a one-year Certificate of Completion from 1982 to 1985 may also apply for licensing.*
3. The applicant must have been an active member of Rhema Bible Church during his/her time as a student at Rhema Bible Training College. *(This does not apply to those who attended RBTC before RBC was established.)*
4. The applicant must adhere to the RMAI Tenets of Faith.
5. The applicant must be engaged in active ministry (either full-time, part-time, or volunteer) in a qualifying ministry role such as:
  - a. Pastor
  - b. Assistant Pastor
  - c. Music Minister
  - d. Youth Minister
  - e. Children's Minister
  - f. Chaplain
  - g. Missionary
  - h. Itinerant
  - i. Home Missionary (American Indians)
  - j. Other (Discretion of RMAI Director)
6. The applicant, if pastoring, must be conducting official church services in a public facility (*not in a home*) and have an average attendance of 10 to be considered for licensing.
7. The applicant, if itinerating, must have conducted meetings an average of once per month for the past three months, and must have an average of one meeting per month scheduled for the next three months.
8. An annual renewal and fee are required by December 31st for RMAI credentials to remain current and valid.

Any exceptions to the above requirements require a waiver from the RMAI Executive Administrative Board.



## LICENSING APPLICATION PROCEDURE

### Each completed application must include:

1. One copy of a recent *photograph* of the applicant. This should be suitable for publication purposes, preferably passport-size (2 x 2 inches).
2. The completed *application form*.
3. *Application fee (\$175)*. Please make check or money order payable to **RMAI**.
4. The completed and signed background check authorization form (one page).
5. *Three completed recommendation forms*. The individuals recommending you are to send the completed recommendations directly to the RMAI office.
  - a. The minister's recommendation form **must** be completed by the applicant's pastor. If the applicant is a pastor, the minister's recommendation form must be completed by an ordained minister who has known the applicant for at least two years.
  - b. The relative's recommendation form **may not** be completed by the applicant's spouse or dependent children.
  - c. The other recommendation form may be completed by a friend who knows the applicant well and is familiar with the ministry of the applicant.
6. Requirements for:
  - Pastors:** a letter from another minister attesting to the applicant's position and/or level of ministerial involvement or a letter signed by 3–5 members of your congregation (not from your immediate family) attesting to the applicant's position, church start date, location, and service schedule.
  - Supportive Ministers on a church staff:** a letter from the pastor attesting to the applicant's position and/or level of ministerial involvement.
  - Itinerants:** a current schedule showing an average of one church or evangelistic meeting per month for the previous three months and an average of one meeting per month for the upcoming three months.
  - Missionaries:** a letter from the head of the ministry with which the missionary will work, or another missionary or responsible individual attesting to the applicant's position and/or level of involvement.

### Upgrading to Ordination

Ordination is available to Rhema graduates who have been licensed with RMAI in a qualifying ministry position for a minimum of two consecutive years.

Upgrades to ordination are *not* automatic. Those licensees desiring to be ordained by RMAI must submit an Upgrade Request Form for approval. This form is available on the Rhema Alumni Association website or by calling the National Office.





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1 PHOTO  
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suitable for  
publication purposes.  
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## APPLICATION for LICENSING or ORDINATION

All questions are to be answered and all blanks are to be filled in. Please remember to enclose the application fee and one photo.

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|-----------|-------|--------|--------|------|
| Last Name | First | Middle | Maiden | Date |
|-----------|-------|--------|--------|------|

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|---|-------------------|
| Home Address (Missionaries, please use stateside address, if applicable.) | Home Phone<br>( ) |
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| City | State | ZIP | Cell Phone<br>( ) |
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| Office Address (Missionaries, please use foreign address.) | Office Phone<br>( ) |
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| City | State | Country | ZIP | Email Address (print clearly) |
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To which address do you prefer correspondence be sent?  Office address  Home address

Has your marital status changed within the last year?  Yes  No (If yes, please attach letter of explanation.)

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| Applicant's Date of Birth | Age | Gender | Spouse's Name:<br>Spouse's Date of Birth: |
|---------------------------|-----|--------|---|

| Names of Children | Gender | Date of Birth |
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Are you born again and baptized in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking with other tongues?  Yes  No

Are you currently in an officially recognized ministerial position?  Yes  No

In what field of ministry are you presently engaged?

Pastor  Assistant Pastor  Missionary  Evangelist  Itinerant Minister  Music Minister

Youth Minister  Children's Minister  Chaplain  Other (please state) \_\_\_\_\_

Home missionary (residing and ministering on Native American reservation) Name of reservation: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been in the field of ministry indicated above? \_\_\_\_\_

In an average month, how many times do you minister God's Word in **official** church or evangelistic services?  
(This **does not** include Sunday School classes, prayer meetings, Bible studies, home fellowships, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your status with Rhema Bible Training College?

Certificate Holder Year attended: \_\_\_\_\_  Graduate Year(s) attended: \_\_\_\_\_

While attending Rhema Bible Training College, what church did you attend on a regular basis?

Are you a current member of the Rhema Alumni Association?  Yes  No

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Give a brief history/timeline of your work for the Lord.

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What are your **current** responsibilities and functions in the ministry? Please be specific with regard to your preaching and teaching responsibilities in **actual pulpit-type** ministry.

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If married, briefly describe the current health of your marriage.

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If married, indicate what best describes your spouse's opinion of your current ministry endeavors.  Supportive  Not Supportive  
If not supportive, explain.

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Why do you want to be credentialed with Rhema Ministerial Association International?

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How do you envision maintaining a vital relationship with Rhema in the future?

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With what other ministerial organizations do you currently hold credentials (specify licensing or ordination)?

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If you are itinerating to raise support for the mission field and/or will be moving overseas to the mission field, what is your estimated date of departure? \_\_\_\_\_

How much support per month have you raised? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Whom do you consider to be your pastor?

Since graduating, what events have you attended (indicate years):

- Winter Bible Seminar \_\_\_\_\_
- Campmeeting \_\_\_\_\_
- Kindle the Flame \_\_\_\_\_
- A Call to Arms \_\_\_\_\_
- Living Faith Crusades \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are a pastor, please answer the following questions:**

Did you:  Pioneer the church  Assume an existing work  Other \_\_\_\_\_

|                 |       |                         |                         |
|-----------------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Church Name     |       | Date Church Established |                         |
| Mailing Address |       | Church Web Address      |                         |
| City            | State | ZIP                     | Church Phone<br>(     ) |

Church Physical Address (for church referrals and publication purposes):

Address

|      |       |                 |                                  |
|------|-------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| City | State | ZIP/Postal Code | (For missionaries, list country) |
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| Average Sunday Morning Attendance: | Schedule of Services: |
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| How long have you been at this pastorate? | Auditorium Seating Capacity: |
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Have you been in any type of leadership position in a church within 50 miles of your current church? If yes, please explain (include dates, etc.)

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What is the distance in miles between your church and the closest church pastored by a Rhema graduate?

**If you are in a position other than a pastorate, please answer the following questions:**

Name of the church that you assist, travel out of, and/or attend:

Pastor's Name

Size of Congregation

Church Address

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| City | State | ZIP |
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Describe your relationship with your home church and pastor.

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**STATEMENT OF FAITH**

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- Yes  No Do you believe that the Bible is the infallible, inerrant Word of God?
- Yes  No Do you believe in the Divine Trinity—that God is One, but is manifested in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—being coequal and coeternal?
- Yes  No Do you believe in the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ?
- Yes  No Do you believe in the Person of the Holy Spirit?
- Yes  No Do you believe that salvation is the gift of God to man, separate from works and the Law, and is made operative by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, producing works acceptable to God?
- Yes  No Do you believe in water baptism by immersion as a direct commandment of the Lord, and that this ordinance is for believers only, and is a symbol of the Christian's identification with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection?
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- Yes  No Do you believe that healing is provided for in the atonement of Christ and is the privilege of every member in the Church today?
- Yes  No Do you believe that the Lord Jesus Christ shall return for the Church and that His coming is imminent?
- Yes  No Do you believe that following the Tribulation, Jesus shall return to the earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords, and together with His saints, who shall be kings and priests, shall reign a thousand years?
- Yes  No Do you believe that those who physically die in their sins without accepting Christ are hopelessly and eternally lost in the Lake of Fire and, therefore, have no further opportunity of hearing the Gospel or repenting?
- Yes  No Do you believe that the Lake of Fire is literal and that the terms *eternal* and *everlasting*, used in describing the duration of the punishment of the damned in the Lake of Fire, carry the same thought and meaning of endless existence as used in denoting the duration of joy and ecstasy of saints in the Presence of God?
- Yes  No Do you believe that marriage should only be sanctioned between a man and a woman and that no intimate sexual activity should be engaged in other than in the context of marriage between a man and a woman?
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**OTHER**

It is expected of members within the RMAI organization to exhibit the highest standards of personal conduct. This includes abstinence from the use of tobacco, alcohol (including wine), illegal drugs, and legalized marijuana. Please indicate your decision concerning our policy.

- I will abide by this policy.     I cannot abide by this policy. (If no, please explain.)
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**FEES & SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

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- Yes  No Did you enclose the RMAI Application Fee (**\$175**)?
- Yes  No Did you enclose a recent passport-sized photograph?
- Yes  No Did you enclose the completed and signed background check authorization form?
- Yes  No If you are an **itinerant**, did you remember to attach a current schedule of church or evangelistic meetings for the previous three months and the upcoming three months?
- Yes  No If you are a **pastor**, is another minister or are 3–5 members of your congregation providing a signed letter attesting to your position, church start date, location, and service schedule?
- Yes  No If you are **missionary** or serve in a **supportive** position, is the pastor or the head of the ministry for which you work, or a fellow missionary, providing a letter attesting to your position and/or level of ministerial involvement and detailing your ministerial duties and responsibilities?
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**Please read carefully the following affidavit of agreement before signing.**

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I acknowledge that I agree with the Constitution, Statement of Faith, and Ministerial Ethics proclaimed, practiced, and set forth by the Rhema Ministerial Association International.

I hereby state my willingness to submit to the spiritual authority and guidelines of the Rhema Ministerial Association International. If at any time I feel I can no longer agree with the beliefs and practices of this organization, or if it is requested by those in authority, I will forfeit and return my ministerial credentials (certificate and card) to the Rhema Ministerial Association International. I further understand that my credentials are to be returned if I cease to function in a qualifying ministerial position.

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Signature

Date

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# MINISTER'S RECOMMENDATION

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Name of Applicant

Last First Middle

The above-named person is applying for Ministerial Credentials with Rhema Ministerial Association International. The questions listed below should be answered honestly and correctly, for serious consideration will be given to your answers.

Our files are kept confidential, so please fill out this form to the best of your ability and return it to our office in the envelope provided.



1. How long have you known the above person? \_\_\_\_\_ years

2. Has your relationship been:

- Intensive                       Very close                       Close                       Casual  
 Intermittent                       Distant                       Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. What has been the nature of your acquaintance? Were you . . .

- CHURCH:     Pastor                       Sunday School Teacher                       Choir Director/Music Minister  
                     Co-worker                       Fellowship                       Other \_\_\_\_\_
- SOCIAL:     Friend of the family                       Personal friend                       Neighbor  
                     Other \_\_\_\_\_

4. To your knowledge, does this individual have a definite call to the ministry?

- Yes                       No                       Do not know

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. To your knowledge, is the applicant currently involved in active ministry?

- Yes                       No                       Do not know

6. Pulpit Experience/Preaching and Teaching:

- Well-experienced  
 Light experience  
 No experience  
 Do not know

7. Work Ability (in the ministry):

- Very industrious; does more than required  
 Satisfactory work ability  
 Enough to get by  
 Does not meet minimum requirements  
 Do not know

8. Stability/Ability to Withstand Pressure:

- Tolerates pressure well  
 Average tolerance; usually remains calm  
 Easily irritated  
 Cannot handle pressure  
 Do not know

9. Personal Organization:

- Conscientious, tidy, and clean  
 Fairly neat  
 Tends to be disorderly  
 Disorderly and untidy  
 Do not know

10. Response to/Attitude Toward Authority:

- Helpful and cooperative
- Usually responsive
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- Do not know

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- Usually stable
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- Highly recommend
- Recommend
- Recommend with reservations

Please list reservations: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- I do not know enough about his/her ministry to make a valid recommendation.

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15. If you are completing this form for a current or future staff member, please attach a separate letter that specifically details this individual's current or future ministerial duties and responsibilities.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age:     18-25     26-35     36-50     51 & over

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Ministry Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Position \_\_\_\_\_

Organization of Ordination \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Rhema graduate? \_\_\_\_\_ Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

# RELATIVE'S RECOMMENDATION

## Rhema Ministerial Association International

Name of Applicant

P.O. Box 50126 • Tulsa, OK 74150-0126 • rmai@rhema.org • rhema.org/alumni

Last First Middle

The above-named person is applying for Ministerial Credentials with Rhema Ministerial Association International. The questions listed below should be answered honestly and correctly, for serious consideration will be given to your answers.

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1. How long have you known the above person? \_\_\_\_\_ years
  
  2. Has your relationship been:  
 Intensive                       Very close                       Close                       Casual  
 Intermittent                       Distant                       Other \_\_\_\_\_
  
  3. What is your relationship with this individual? \_\_\_\_\_
  
  4. To your knowledge, does this individual have a definite call to the ministry?  
 Yes                       No                       Do not know  
Comments \_\_\_\_\_
  
  5. To your knowledge, is the applicant currently involved in active ministry?  
 Yes                       No                       Do not know
  
  6. Pulpit Experience/Preaching and Teaching:  
 Well-experienced  
 Light experience  
 No experience  
 Do not know
  
  7. Work Ability (in the ministry):  
 Very industrious; does more than required  
 Satisfactory work ability  
 Enough to get by  
 Does not meet minimum requirements  
 Do not know
  
  8. Stability/Ability to Withstand Pressure:  
 Tolerates pressure well  
 Average tolerance; usually remains calm  
 Easily irritated  
 Cannot handle pressure  
 Do not know
  
  9. Personal Organization:  
 Conscientious, tidy, and clean  
 Fairly neat  
 Tends to be disorderly  
 Disorderly and untidy  
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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What has been the nature of your acquaintance? Were you . . .

CHURCH:

Pastor                       Sunday School Teacher                       Choir Director/Music Minister

Co-worker                       Fellowship                       Other \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL:

Friend of the Family                       Personal Friend                       Neighbor

Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Rhema graduate?     Yes     No    Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

# Applicant Authorization to Release Background Information

In connection with my application for applicant service with \_\_\_\_\_, I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ and, or, ACCUFAX Div., Southvest Inc., their agent, to solicit background information relative to my criminal record history. I understand that \_\_\_\_\_ may conduct inquiries into my background that may include criminal records, credit report, motor vehicle records, workers compensation records, personal references and other public record reports pertaining to me. When requested by an employer motor vehicle records or a driving history may be obtained.

**I authorize without any reservation, any person, agency, or other entity contacted by \_\_\_\_\_ or ACCUFAX Div., Southvest Inc., their agent for purposes of obtaining background report information, to furnish the above-mentioned information.**

I release \_\_\_\_\_, their respective employees or ACCUFAX Div., Southvest Inc. their agent and employees and all persons, agencies and entities providing information or reports about me from any and all liability arising out of furnishing any such information or reports.

**PLEASE PRINT (Use Blue or Black Ink)**

**Requested by: \***

FULL LEGAL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER NAMES USED \_\_\_\_\_ SS# \_\_\_\_\_

DRIVERS LIC # \_\_\_\_\_ STATE ISSUED \_\_\_\_\_

Name exactly as it appears on Drivers License \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note: If your address is a rural route, or post office box, we must have City & County where mail was delivered**

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Co. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

How long at this address? (Months/Years) \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Co. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_**

LIST ALL CITY/STATES RESIDED AT SINCE AGE 18 AND HOW LONG IN EACH CITY/STATE:

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**Thank You for applying at \_\_\_\_\_!**

## A SUMMARY OF YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE FAIR CREDIT REPORTING ACT

The Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) is designed to promote accuracy, fairness and privacy of information in the files of every “consumer reporting agency” (CRA). Most CRA’s are credit bureaus that gather and sell information about you – such as if you pay your bills on time or have filed bankruptcy – to creditors, employers, landlords and other businesses. For more information, including information about additional rights, go to [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore) or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street N.W. Washington DC 20006. The FCRA gives you specific rights, as outlined below. You may have additional rights under state law. You may contact a state or local consumer protection agency or a state attorney general to learn about those rights.

- **You must be told if information in your file has been used against you.** Anyone who uses information from a CRA to take action against you such as denying an application for credit, insurance or employment must tell you, and give you the name, address, and phone number of the CRA that provided the consumer report.
- **You can find out what is in your file. At your request, a CRA must give you the information in your file, and a list of everyone who has requested it recently.** There is no charge for the report if a person has taken action against you because of information supplied by the CRA, provided that you request the report within 60 days of receiving notice of the action. You also are entitled to one free report every twelve months upon request if you certify that (1) you are unemployed and plan to seek employment within 60 days, (2) you are on welfare, or (3) your report is inaccurate due to fraud. Otherwise, a CRA may charge you up to eight dollars.
- **You can dispute inaccurate information with the CRA.** If you tell a CRA that your file contains inaccurate information, the CRA must investigate the items (usually within 30 days) by presenting to its information source all relevant evidence you submit, unless your dispute is frivolous. The source must review your evidence and report its findings to the CRA. (The source also must advise national CRA’s – to which it has provided the data – of any errors) The CRA must give you a written report of the investigation, and a copy of your report if the investigation results in any change. If the CRA’s investigation does not resolve the dispute, you may add a brief statement to your file. The CRA must normally include a summary of your statement in future reports. If an item is deleted or a dispute statement is filed, you may ask that anyone who has recently received your report be notified of the change.
- **Inaccurate information must be corrected or deleted.** A CRA must remove or correct inaccurate or unverified information from its files, usually within 30 days after you dispute it. However, the CRA is not required to remove accurate data from your file unless it is outdated (as described below) or cannot be verified. If your dispute results in any change to your report, the CRA cannot reinsert into your file a disputed item unless the information source verifies its accuracy and completeness. In addition, the CRA must give you a written notice telling you it has reinserted the item. The notice must include the name, address and phone number of the information source.
- **You can dispute inaccurate items with the source of the information.** If you tell anyone – such as a creditor who reports to a CRA – that you dispute an item, they may not then report the information to a CRA without including a notice of your dispute. In addition, once you’ve notified the source of the error in writing, it may not continue to report the information if it is in fact, an error.
- **Outdated information may not be reported.** In most cases, a CRA may not report negative information that is more than seven years old; ten years for bankruptcies.
- **Access to your file is limited.** A CRA may provide information about you only to people with a need recognized by the FCRA – usually to consider an application with a creditor, insurer, employer, landlord or other business.
- **Your consent is required for reports that are provided to employers, or reports that contain medical information.** A CRA may not give out information about you to your employer, or prospective employer, without your written consent. A CRA may not report medical information about you to creditors, insurers, or employers without your permission.
- **You may choose to exclude your name from CRA lists for unsolicited credit and insurance offers.** Creditors and insurers may use file information as the basis for sending you unsolicited offers of credit or insurance. Such offers must include a toll-free phone number for you to call if you want your name and address removed from future lists. If you call, you must be kept off the lists for two years. If you request, complete, and return the CRA form provided for this purpose, you must be taken off the lists indefinitely.
- **You may seek damages from violators.** If a CRA, a user or (in some cases) a provider of CRA data, violates the FCRA, you may sue them in state or federal court.

- **Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.** For more information, visit [www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore](http://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore).

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The FCRA gives several different federal agencies (listed below) authority to enforce the FCRA:

### FOR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS REGARDING:

CRA's creditors and others not listed below

National banks federal branches/agencies of foreign banks (word "National" or initials "N.A." appear in or after bank's name)

Savings associations and federally chartered savings banks (word "federal" or initials "F.S.B." appear in federal institution's name)

Federal Reserve system member banks (except national banks, and federal branches/agencies of foreign banks)

Federal Credit Unions (words "Federal Credit Union" appear in institution's name)

State chartered banks that are not a member of the Federal Reserve System

Air-surface, or rail common carriers regulated by former Civil Aeronautics Board or Interstate Commerce Commission.

Activities subject to the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921

### PLEASE CONTACT:

**A. Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection**  
1700 G Street NW  
Washington, DC 20580

**B. Federal Trade Commission**  
Consumer Response Center – FCRA  
Washington, DC 20580  
**202-326-3761**

**Office of the Comptroller of the Currency**  
Compliance Management, MailStop 6-6  
Washington, D.C. 20219  
**800-613-6743**

**Office of Thrift Supervision**  
Consumer Programs  
Washington, D.C. 20552  
**800-842-6929**

**Federal Reserve Board**  
Division of Consumer & Community Affairs  
Washington, D.C. 20551  
**202-452-3693**

**National Credit Union Administration**  
1775 Duke Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
**703-518-6360**

**Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation**  
Division of Compliance & Consumer Affairs  
Washington, D.C. 20429  
**800-934-FDIC**

**Department of Transportation**  
Office of Financial Management  
Washington, D.C. 20590

**Department of Agriculture**  
Office of Deputy Administrator – GIPSA  
Washington, D.C. 20250  
**202-720-7051**