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Application for Ministerial Credentials
For Church Planting Pastors and Staff

A. General Information

1. All applicants should have -
 - a) a definite call, confirmed by the witness of the Holy Spirit.
 - b) an understanding of, and faith in the purpose of God through your call.
 - c) a desire and dedication to give yourself wholly to the ministry.
2. All parts of this application must be completed entirely.
3. Separate sheets appended to this application shall be with the full name of the applicant and statements given shall be identified by the number of the question(s) being answered.
4. Photo.
5. Police Report.
6. The non-refundable application fee of \$25.00 must be included with this Application.

B. Ministerial Credentials Requested (All credentials are “staff” credentials, meaning that you serve in a ministry setting or location by appointment of the President who occupies the status of Senior Pastor.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Care Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Lay-Pastor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Pastor | <input type="checkbox"/> Ordained Pastor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor Emeritus | <input type="checkbox"/> National License Pastor |

C. Personal Information

Full Legal Name: _____

Current Address: _____

_____ Postal Code _____

Telephone - Home: () _____ Office: () _____

Email: _____

Permanent Address (if different from current):

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Citizenship _____ Immigration Status: _____

D. Marital Information

___ Single ___ Married ___ Divorced ___ Separated

___ Remarried. Please specify: _____

Spouse's Name: _____ E-mail address: _____

Children -

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

Name _____ Age _____

E. Educational Information

List your secular education.

High School _____ Years _____

College _____ Years _____

Degrees, Diplomas or additional training _____

List your Bible Education

School _____ Years _____

College _____ Years _____

Other _____ Years _____

Present Occupation _____

F. Christian Experience

1. Are you born again in accordance with John 3:3,5 & 7 When? _____

2. Are you baptized in Water? _____

3. Do you presently hold ministerial credentials with any other church body or fellowship? _____

a. Type of credentials _____

b. Held with what group _____

c. Mailing address _____

d. Do you wish to retain these credentials _____

e. Date of Ordination – or initial issue of credentials _____

3. Have you previously held ministerial credentials which are now invalid? _____ If yes, give date: _____ issued, name and address of credentialing body,

and explain the reason(s) why the credentials have lapsed.

4. Have you ever had your credentials revoked? _____ If so, explain in detail on a separate sheet.

5. Have you ever been involved in a church split? _____ If so, explain in detail on a separate sheet, noting your involvement in the split and any restorative efforts.

G.Ministry Experience

1. List, with dates and places, past Christian ministry in which you have been engaged.

2. What Christian ministry are you now engaged in and where?

3. Do you have call to any specific line of Christian ministry? _____ If yes, what?

4. Do you presently have a pastor and attend a local Church or Fellowship? _____ If yes, provide the name of pastor, church name and address

(Your pastor will be your first reference – see section J-1)

Is your pastor a relative? _____

5. Are you a pastor? _____

H. Information Concerning Gilgal Christian Community

1. Have you carefully read the Statement of Faith and Policies of Gilgal Christian Community?

2. Are you prepared to abide by the Statement of Faith and Policies of Gilgal Christian Community? _____

3. What is your reason for applying for credentials with Gilgal Christian Community?

4. How did you come to know Gilgal Christian Community?

5. If you are granted credentials by GCC, will you at all times respect the sincere convictions of your fellow ministers and fellow Christians, rendering due Christian courtesy in regard to any doctrines or ethics on which you do not agree? _____

(If you wish to expand your reply to this item, use a separate sheet.)

6. Do you agree with our Statement of Faith?

7. Are you willing to discuss any point of the Statement of Faith with which you have some question in a meeting with the Credentials Committee?

8. Will you do your best to participate in times of fellowship with GCC? _____

9. Do you agree that as a Credential holder with Gilgal Christian Community, you will not pursue legal action or sue the Corporation and/or its' Executive or Committee members in matters concerning their official duties or in disciplinary action necessary as stated in the Bylaws and Policies of GCC? _____

Further, do you agree not to pursue legal action or sue the Corporation and/or its' Executive if you are disqualified from holding credentials according to the Bylaws and Policies of GCC?

I. Reference

List the name, address and telephone number for four people (including your current pastor/sponsor) who will complete and submit a reference sheet on your behalf. They must have known you for at least four years.

Name Address Telephone Number

1. _____ (____) _____

2. _____ (____) _____

3. _____ (____) _____

4. _____ (____) _____

J. Spouse's Comments

1. Is there any disagreement concerning this application?

2. Please explain how you feel you relate to your spouse's ministry
(Use a separate sheet)

3. Do you have any personal reservations about relating to GCC?

Signature of Spouse

K. Interview

Each applicant is requested to appear before the Credentials Committee for an interview. You will be notified of a time and place upon receipt of all paper work regarding your application.

L. Finances

My non-refundable Application Fee of \$25.00 is enclosed. Due to the time needed to obtain references, approximately 30 days will be necessary for complete processing. The most frequent source of delays is the receiving of the completed Reference Sheets. If you will advise those you have listed to remit their completed Reference Sheet as soon as possible, it will greatly reduce the time spent in processing. Upon approval of your application, the annual credential fee will be payable. Your Ministerial License will be sent upon receipt of your payment.

Applicant's Signature

Date