



MINISTERS NETWORK CANADA

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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in Ministers Network Canada. We are a network of ministers and ministries dedicated to proclaiming and exalting Jesus Christ in Canada and the world. Our heart's desire is to see the love of God displayed to the world as we exalt the cross of Jesus Christ in our distinct spheres of influence.

As a network, we are committed to being connected in relationship and strengthening one another in the work to which God has called each one. It is important for us to value the whole Body of Christ and not just those of our particular stream or doctrine. We believe that it is His whole Church that is called to shine light in the world.

We have a network of Area and Regional Directors across the country to provide connection, fellowship, encouragement, and advice. We believe in the autonomy of the local church balanced with healthy accountability through relationship. As we grow in love for one another, we can help each other thrive and bear the fruit God intends for our lives and those around us.

Please read over the Vision Statement, containing our vision, mission, values, and strategies. Also included is our Statement of Faith. These documents will help you have a clearer sense of who we are and why we exist. If you find your heart and beliefs align with these, then please complete the application form and submit it to our office for processing.

We hope to work together in God's wonderful Kingdom!

Sincerely in Christ,

The National Team



Vision and Values

Our Vision

We are an Apostolic and Prophetic network of committed, consecrated, and connected leaders, working together to advance, expand, and influence the Kingdom of God in Canada and the nations of the world.

Our Mission

1. To connect, encourage, strengthen, and serve by working together with the Body of Christ throughout Canada and the world.
2. To see the Kingdom of God established and fruitfully operating as we, together, lift up Christ, with His Cross, as the uniting principle of our faith.

Our Core Values

Our core truth is the unity of the Body of Christ.

This unity is achieved by sharing the following values as essential.

1. The atoning sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross and its power
2. Jesus Christ as Deity, the Son of God
3. The Great Commandment to love God with all our hearts, and second, to love our neighbour as ourselves
4. The Great Commission to tell others about Jesus, disciple nations, and prepare our hearts for the Coming of the Lord

In non-essentials there must be liberty.

We will not allow derogatory comments, devaluing, belittling, or division over differences of opinion with any other parts of the Body of Christ. We will celebrate the diversity of operations, administrations, and gifts. We will neither compare nor compete with any part of the Body of Christ, but will collectively work together for the expansion of the Kingdom of God into the Nations.

In all things there must be love.

The love of God must be the motivating factor in our Network, ministries, and churches. We must have fervent, intense, and devoted love toward those with whom we might not agree or currently see differently.

Our Strategy

1) Relationship

- We will build strong relationships by building a Network of provincial regions and areas with leadership at each level.
- These leaders will be committed to the success and well-being of those they serve and will contact and encourage the members in their area by phone, text, and social media.
- These leadership roles exist to serve, assist, and pray for the members. They will be available to provide input and counsel as needed and assist in solving problems that may arise in ministry.

2) Resources

- We will provide resource material to our members to enhance and strengthen their ministries and the Network on a regular basis.
- We will highlight and honour leaders in our Network as well as the larger Body of Christ.
- As leaders, we recognize how important it is to draw from the revelation flowing from the various parts of the Body of Christ. This helps us enlarge ourselves spiritually and expand our ministries. Therefore, we will not limit our resources to our own organization or stream but will seek out all that God is speaking in His Church.

3) Gatherings

- We will hold a yearly National Conference designed to train, equip, and mobilize the Body of Christ throughout Canada and the nations.
- We will host regional and area-based events to serve our members
- We will use technology to host long-distance digital conferences and connect days.

4) Personal Ministry

- Most of us have received wounds and scars over the years we've spent in ministry. We know ministry stress can be especially harmful to marriages and families. Therefore, we would like to have a safe place to send men and women of God to be restored, renewed, and refreshed.
- We will maintain funds and seek facilities and staff for safe places of retreat and reassessment in the inevitable times of marriage and ministry stress.
- We will establish a well-grounded pastoral and counselling team to serve the members in this capacity.
- It is our conviction that all members would come to know Ministry Network Canada as a safe place for them, their marriages and families and finally for their ministries and their development.

5) Stewardship

- We will be accountable to the fellowship for our finances and the handling of resources that God has entrusted to us.
- We will abide by the highest standards of transparency, accountability, and excellence.
- We will provide a detailed annual report to our members.

Statement of Faith

With love as our core driver, we, as ministers within Ministers Network Canada are committed to the transformation of lives toward God's intended design, acting with grace and patience, knowing that wholeness is only found in Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 3:18).

1. One True God

God has revealed Himself as the Creator of all things and the Redeemer of mankind. He is manifested as the Triune God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Genesis 1:1, Isaiah 43:11, and Matthew 28:19)

2. Scriptures Inspired

The Old and New Testaments are the inspired Word of God. In them we find the final authority for all Christian faith and practice. (2 Timothy 3:15-17)

3. Deity of Jesus Christ

The Lord Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God who shares in the deity of God. He is also truly man who was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He died on the cross as a sacrifice for sin and arose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is now at the right hand of the Father as our High Priest and Advocate. (Matthew 1:23)

4. Original Sin and Fall of Man

Man was created in the image of God but fell into sin and is therefore lost (Genesis 1-3). Only through the shed blood of Jesus Christ and by His resurrection can man have grounds for justification and salvation. This salvation and spiritual life are obtained by regeneration through the work of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 3:23-26)

5. Salvation by Faith

Man's salvation and redemption (a free gift of grace from God) can only be obtained by exercising faith, not by works, and by the finished redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 2:8-9)

6. The New Man in Christ

If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature (creation) in the inward man. We are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus. We are partakers of His divine nature. (2 Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 2:10, and 2 Peter 1:4)

7. Baptism of the Holy Spirit

The ministry and baptism of the Holy Spirit are to glorify Jesus Christ and to indwell, guide, and empower believers for life and service. This baptism brings the gifts or enablements of the Holy Spirit and their uses to the forefront of the ministry of the body of Christ and is normatively accompanied by the prayer language of tongues. (Acts 2:1-4)

8. Divine Healing

The anointing work of Jesus Christ provides not only salvation but healing and prosperity for all believers. (Matthew 8:16-17)

9. Church - The Body of Christ

The true Church is the composition of all those who have been born again. Through the new birth, believers are united together as the Body of Christ. Jesus Christ is the Lord and Head of the Church. (Ephesians 1:22-23)

10. Human Value

Ministers Network Canada believes that all people are created with equal value and dignity, being made in the image of God. We believe that people should be afforded the respect and love God commands of us, regardless of gender, creed, race, or social status. (Genesis 1:26-27, Matthew 22:39, Romans 13:8-10)

11. Gender Identity

Ministers Network Canada believes in the Biblical teaching that we have been made in the image of God and that gender at birth is part of God's unique design for that individual (Genesis 1:27, 5:1-2, Psalm 139:13-16, 1 Corinthians 7:24)

12. Marriage and Sexuality

Ministers Network Canada embraces the Biblical teaching of marriage between one man and one woman as God's original intended design. Marriage is to be held in honour and kept in faithfulness. All other expressions of sexuality are deviations from God's design. (Genesis 2:24, Hebrews 13:4, Matthew 19:4-6)

13. Water Baptism

All who believe in Jesus Christ as their Saviour and have been born again are commanded to be immersed in water as a declaration that they identify with the death of Christ and have been raised with Him in newness of life. (Mark 16:16)

14. Lord's Supper

A symbolic expression of our sharing the divine nature of our Lord Jesus Christ as well as a memorial of His suffering, death, and prophecy of His Second Coming. (1 Corinthians 11:23-31)

15. The Blessed Hope

The blessed hope of the Church is the resurrection of those who have fallen asleep in Christ and their translation (catching away to heaven) together with those who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord. (1Thessalonians 4:16-17, Romans 11:27, Titus 2:13)

16. The Final Judgment

There will be a final judgment in which the wicked dead will be raised and judged according to their works. Whosoever's name is not found written in the Book of Life will be cast into the lake of fire, which is the second death. (Matthew 25:46, Mark 9:43-48, Revelation 19:20; 20:11-15; 21:8)



Organizational Information

The National Team

Governance

The Board of Directors hold the responsibility of governance and fiscal/ fiduciary responsibilities. They are also providers and protectors of vision and values.

President	Rick Ciaramitaro
Vice-President	David McGrew
Chair	Mike Welch
Treasurer	Mike Welch
Secretary	Marc Brule
Director	Brendan Witton
Director	Jonathan Bounds

Field Operations

We have a national team of Regional and Area Directors whose functions are to serve the membership. They will maintain contact and provide opportunities for connection, equipping and encouragement.

Administration

Our National Office is located in Toronto. The office will take care of membership records, legal/governmental documentation, finances, and our online presence.

Relational Accountability — Sponsor

Ministers Network Canada believes in the importance of relationships in ministry. Every member has a personal sponsor to provide ongoing relationship, mentoring, and accountability. No one should operate so independently that they have no key person speaking into their lives.

Your application package also includes a link to a Sponsor's form for you to provide to your sponsor. Your sponsor plays a significant role in ensuring integrity and credibility to your application. You are expected to maintain an ongoing relationship with your sponsor. We will be sending an annual questionnaire to your sponsor to ensure the ongoing health of your relationship with them and of your own life and ministry.

Specialty Ministry and Resource Pool

At your annual renewal there will be fields to provide any specialty areas of ministry you may have. This gives us the opportunity to create a resource database so we can all help one another. You may have a specialty in equipping styles of ministry (e.g., Worship training, Outreach training). Or, you may have a specialty in specific ministry (e.g., Counselling, Evangelism). We are looking for those who have proven their skills in a broader Kingdom context and would be willing to be a resource to others in the organization. As such we will be checking references for specialties noted.

Credential Levels and Requirements

Living out the call of God for ministry requires character, knowledge, skill, and anointing. Only God can provide the power of his Spirit (anointing) but we are responsible for the other three.

Character is developed through experience, personal integrity, and a consistent devotional life of Scripture and prayer. Experience is required for various credential levels in order to establish the applicant's character.

Knowledge is gained through study of the Bible and related resources, reading current information, and paying attention to people and the world around you. Although Bible School is not absolutely required, it is beneficial. It should provide a working knowledge of God's Word. It is vital to have a clear understanding of primary Biblical doctrines and to be able to articulate them.

Skill comes through knowledge and practice. Even spiritual gifts are refined and strengthened through use. Although many skills are human abilities, they are effective when empowered by the Holy Spirit. Experience is required at various credential levels in order to establish the applicant's ministry skills.

Anointing is the result of God's call, gifts, and his grace released in your life for his purposes. Anointing cannot be earned, bought, or worked up. It is often recognized by others who hold a place of leadership in your own life. This is one reason a Sponsor is required for application approval.

Christian Minister

A Christian Minister is serving in leadership or a key support role in a church or ministry recognized by a local church, paid or volunteer.

Qualifications

- Approved by a local church pastor or leader of the ministry in which they serve.
- The Sponsor must be a local church pastor or ministry leader.
- Agreement with the Statement of Faith

Marketplace Minister

This individual is actively involved in the marketplace and committed to using their marketplace function to further the message of the Gospel. They are committed to integrity in business and applying Godly principles in valuing employees and colleagues in the workplace.

Qualifications

- Connected and committed to a local church.
- Carry a sense of calling to bring God's Kingdom to bear in the marketplace and be a witness to the world.
- Must be sponsored by their local church pastor or a five-fold ministry leader.
- Agreement with the Statement of Faith

Licensed Minister

Licensing is issued to a person with a recognized call of God on their life and growing in ministry capacity.

Qualifications

- Must be serving in a leadership position in a church or ministry for at least **two** years.
- If starting a church plant, they must be under the oversight of another Ordained Minister (Lead Pastor or Apostle). In this case the sponsor must be the overseeing leader.
- Agreement with Statement of Faith

Ordained Minister

This is the highest classification with the greatest responsibility. It is a reflection of proven character, calling, and ministry experience. It is for those who have the charge of a church, are in vocational ministry (or bi-vocational) and have as their primary role the representation of the Gospel and the Christian Faith.

Government registration for the solemnization of marriage is only available at this level of accreditation for pastoral staff and chaplains.

Qualifications

- Licensed Minister plus **one** year OR serving in a senior leadership position for at least **two** years. (Lead Pastor, Chaplain, Senior Leader of a Ministry) OR
- Provide previous ordination papers from another fellowship/denomination for recognition of Ordination and currently serving in a senior leadership position as above.
- Agreement with the Statement of Faith

Personal Statements

Two Personal Statements are to be included with the Application.

- 1) A paragraph containing the applicant's personal testimony
- 2) A paragraph explaining why the applicant has chosen MNC, specifically regarding the Statement of Faith and the Core Values.

Pricing

Level	Individual	Married Couple
Ordained Minister	\$250	\$350
* Government Registration for Marriage Solemnization	\$125	
Licensed Minister	\$200	\$300
Marketplace Minister	\$200	\$300
Christian Minister	\$100	\$200
Non-refundable application fee	\$100 per individual	

*Only available for those at the Ordained level

Fee Payment

To pay fees online, please click **PAY FEES**. For group rates and missionary rates, please contact our office at admin@ministersnetwork.ca.

If you prefer to pay by cheque, our mailing address is

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