

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR CREDENTIALS**

## PERSONAL CRITERIA

- 1. Must be a born-again, Spirit-filled believer with a scriptural testimony of Christ working in your life.
- 2. Must be willing to submit to Dr. Mark T. Barclay as the leadership voice in your life.
- 3. You and your family must be attending a local church regularly.
- 4. Must be at least 18 years of age.
- 5. Must have a conviction to be called to full-time or part-time preaching and teaching ministries.
- 6. Must have served internship under a senior minister.
- 7. Must send one Ministerial Recommendation form to three different pastors or ministers to complete and return to our offices.
- 8. Must be willing to accept responsibility of consistent financial accountability, as well as steady support to Mark Barclay Ministries, to give regularly and/or tithe regularly from your ministry into this ministry (a minimum of \$50 per month).
- 9. Must have completed and submitted the application forms and fulfill all requirements requested by the Ordination Board.
- 10. Must agree with and sign the Minister's Statement of Commitment document.
- 11. Must agree with and sign the MBM Statement of Faith & Doctrine document.

## **EDUCATIONAL & INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent (sometimes special considerations are made).
- 2. Must have some type of ministerial training (Supernatural Ministries Training Institute, an equivalent Bible college, leadership training, ministerial training, correspondence courses, etc.).

ORDINATION	Two years training, or two years internship.
LICENSE	One year training, or one year internship.
EXHORTER	Submitted in a local church and trained and qualified as a Christian worker.

- 3. Must be knowledgeable of ecclesiastical procedures, including ministry of helps and church government.
- 4. Must have a recommendation letter from your pastor endorsing these credentials if you serve in your local church and are not the senior minister.
- 5. Must have served some form of internship and present a resumé including that information.
- 6. Must include copies of past (or current) credentials held with all other organizations and ministries for review by the Ordination Board.

## **ABSTINENCE REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Must not have a current record or lifestyle of social sins (i.e., homosexuality, adultery, fornication, sexual misconduct of any kind, or any other Bible violations).
- 2. Must not be under any felonious indictments legally (or pending).
- 3. Must not be an abuser of mankind or use illegal drugs, alcohol, tobacco, profanity, etc.
- 4. Must have no involvement in heresy (teaching or conduct).
- 5. Must not be a church splitter, trucebreaker, or railer.