

# West Coast Church Planting Application

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## Your Contact Information

Date:

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Preferred Name

E-mail Address

Phone Type

Primary Phone

Alt. Phone  
Type

Alternative  
Phone

Facebook

Skype

Twitter

Birth Date

Place of Birth

I am a:

Type of Visa

Expiration Date

Social Security # (or Social Insurance # if  
applying for/in Canada)

Race / Ethnicity

Address

Address 2 (if needed)

City

State/Province

Postal Code

Country

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I am interested in church planting for the following areas (check all that apply):

- Seattle area
- Portland/Vancouver (WA) Area
- Vancouver BC Area
- British Columbia (other than specified above)
- Northwest (other than areas specified above)
- Hawaii
- Other

I anticipate being able to start planting a church around this date:

I am interested in being:

### Family Information

Marital Status

Date of Current Marriage

Previously Divorced?

If you checked yes, divorced how many times?

Yes

No

Date of Divorce

Spouse First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Spouse Preferred Name

Spouse Previously  
Divorced?

No

Yes

If divorced, how many times?

Date of Divorce

Spouse Ethnicity

Spouse Social Security # (or Social Insurance # if applying for/in)

Spouse Date of Birth

Spouse Place of Birth

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How many Dependent Children?

Children's Names and Birthdates:

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In no more than one page, write a spiritual autobiography. Describe your salvation experience, call to Christian ministry, call to church planting, and reasons for interest in the Northwest / Canada.

## Covenant and Agreement Items

I will lead my congregation to plant at least one other church within the first five years after arriving on the field.

Yes

My goal is to do that within

I will lead my church to give to the local association, state, and national convention on a monthly basis from the very beginning. I understand this means 6% giving to the cooperative program, and an additional 4% to Southern Baptist causes.

Yes

I commit to complete and submit my monthly church planter reports and Annual Church Profiles on time.

Yes

Are you currently a part of a SBC/CNBC church?

Yes      No

If no, have you previously been part of an SBC/CNBC church?

Yes      No

Comments:

I have fully read the 2000 Baptist Faith and Message.

Yes

I am in full agreement with the 2000 Baptist Faith and Message.

Yes      No

If you answered no please explain.

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**NAMB Conduct Expectations:**

I will conduct myself in a way that reflects positively on Christ and the North American Mission Board

I will not visit the opposite sex alone at home, other than my spouse.

I will not counsel the opposite sex alone at the office.

I will not counsel the opposite sex more than once without the person's spouse.

If married, I will not have lunch alone with the opposite sex, other than my spouse.

I will be careful in answering cards, letters, and email notes from the opposite sex.

If married, I will not be in an automobile alone with anyone of the opposite sex other than my spouse.

I will not show affection that could be questioned.

I will be a tithing member of record and in good standing in a Southern Baptist Church.

I will abstain from consumption of any alcoholic beverage.

I will not view pornography.

I will maintain financial integrity.

I will pray for the integrity of other missionaries and staff members.

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I am in full agreement with the NAMB Conduct Expectations.

Yes      No

If you answered no please explain.

I actively engage in verbal evangelism.

Yes

I embrace the sanctity of human life, both the born and the unborn.

Yes

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Signature of Applicant (Type your full name):

Date:

# MISSIONS ASSISTANCE COVENANT FOR NORTHWEST BAPTIST CONVENTION AND CANADIAN NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION

## PERSONAL EVANGELISM

All pastoral staff consistently SHARES and trains/leads their congregation to SHARE their faith verbally giving people an opportunity to respond as a part of an effort to make and grow disciples.

## PERSONAL STEWARDSHIP

All staff, including the lead planter/senior pastor, of the church leads by example through consistently giving a minimum of a TITHE of their gross salary and housing to the local church plant.

## MISSION GIVING

Give a MINIMUM OF 10% of your local congregation's undesignated gifts to Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) or CNBC mission causes on a MONTHLY BASIS, including a minimum of 6% to the Cooperative Program. The remaining 4% may be given to other SBC mission causes, including annual NW missions offering (SYLVIA WILSON) or the annual CCSB Missions Offering (Harvest); North American missions offering (ANNIE ARMSTRONG); International missions offering (LOTTIE MOON); and SBC or CNBC church plants.

## COOPERATION

The congregation is in FRIENDLY COOPERATION with its association, state convention, and national conventions,. Participation in annual association and convention gatherings is also expected.

## INVITATION

The congregation insures that those individuals participating in worship/celebration services are presented with a clear opportunity to RESPOND to the gospel through some means.

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

The MEMBERSHIP of congregation is comprised of baptized (immersed) believers who have professed personal faith in Jesus Christ and identify themselves as members of the congregation.

## DOCTRINE

The congregation is committed to the BASIC BIBLICAL DOCTRINES as expressed in "The Baptist Faith and Message" statement.

## GOVERNMENT

The congregation exercises ultimate governance through the MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION. If a church is elder-led, the congregation has a determining voice as to who serves as elders. In the formative years of a church plant, leadership by a board comprised of the lead planter and board members from outside the congregation, is acceptable.

## BAPTIST IDENTITY

The congregation demonstrates clear denominational IDENTITY. If "Baptist" is not included in the church name, there must be a stated affiliation with the NWBC, SBC, Great Commission Baptists\* (GCB), CNBC, and/or the local Baptist association. The church plant's website should clearly identify its affiliation with the SBC, GCB, or CNBC.

## REPRODUCTION

The congregation is working toward the goal of reproducing through the PLANTING of other congregations within five (5) years of starting missions assistance.

## ENCOURAGEMENT

The lead planter/senior pastor participates regularly in a COACHING and/or a PLANTER/PASTOR NETWORK for the purpose of encouragement, prayer, accountability, partnership, and development of themselves and other leaders. The planter/pastor's spouse is encouraged to do the same, when available. The NWBC pastor is also required to attend the NWBC Annual Church Planting Conference.

## COMMUNICATION

The lead planter/senior pastor COMMUNICATES through timely completion of monthly reports. The congregation receiving missions assistance completes the Annual Church Profile in a timely manner, once they are eligible to do so.

I have fully read and confirm that I am committed to fulfilling this covenant and leading my congregation to do so, as well.

*\*Great Commission Baptists is the alternate name adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention*

I have read and will comply with this covenant. Yes

Signature (Type your full name)

Date: