TEXAS BAPTIST CHAPLAINCY ACTIVE ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS

1. Monthly E-mail Report

We want to know what is happening in your ministry! Please e-mail a monthly report of 4 questions to our office. Send these reports every month on the day you were born to this e-mail:

chaplaincy@texasbaptists.org

- 1) What is God doing in your personal life?
- 2) What is God doing in your ministry?
- 3) What are the challenges facing you at this time?
- 4) How can I help you with these challenges?
- 4A) What are your current email addresses? (Identify home and work emails)
- 4B) What are your current telephone numbers? (Identify home, cell, and work)

Please give us your contact information—changed or not—so we can verify your information.

2. Attend Chaplain Training Conferences

In order to maintain active endorsement, you should attend our annual Chaplain Training Conference at least once every 3 years. We would love to have you there every year, but understand that work schedules, deployments, and other things impinge on your ability to attend EVERY year. Everyone should be able to control their schedule well enough to attend at least that often. There is great training offered there and your boss knows the need for you to have continuing education. We alert all of our chaplains via our monthly newsletter all the information you'll need regarding this.

3. Monthly Contribution

For us to provide the ministry to you that we wish to provide, we request a monetary donation from all Texas Baptists endorsed chaplains. Although this support is expected, there is no minimum amount – we ask only for whatever the Lord lays upon your heart. These contributions are immeasurably supportive to our ministry and assist throughout the year with costs involving chaplain site-visits and fellowship gatherings. Donations also help to provide our annual Chaplain Training Conference at a reduced rate. You can set up a contribution on our website: www.texasbaptists.org/chaplaincy - Just click "Give Now"

4. Mentorship

We would like all our chaplains to have a mentor and also be a mentor for another Texas Baptist chaplain. You may find your own, or you may ask the office to assist you with finding a mentor for yourself. Hopefully, someone will notice your leadership and, at the proper time, simply ask if you will be their mentor.

If you have any question about these expectations, please feel free to contact Dr. Smith at your convenience.