

# Deacon Recommendation

**During September**, we will be receiving Deacon Recommendation forms for men to be considered for serving as a deacon in First Baptist Church – Rowlett.

**Please read** the Spiritual Qualification and Practical Expectations of men who serve as deacons in First Baptist Church – Rowlett.

## Spiritual Qualifications based on I Timothy 3:8-12

1. Be worthy of respect;
2. Be sincere;
3. Not indulge in much wine (Deacons and deacon candidates will refrain from the use of alcohol and addictive substances.);
4. Not pursue dishonest gain;
5. Hold the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience;
6. Be tested or proven by his existing lifestyle;
7. Be the husband of one wife (The deacon or deacon candidate has proven himself faithful in marriage.) Single people will be considered for deacons;
8. Manage his family well (The deacon or deacon candidate's children are not in trouble repeatedly.)

## Practical Expectations of Deacons

1. Tithe. (10% of gross income)
2. Attend, with family, 80% of Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Wednesday evening services unless prevented by illness or travel.
3. Serve and assist the Pastor as needed.
4. Not have been divorced.
5. Be part of a Wednesday clean-up team unless other church responsibilities prevent it.
6. Participate in church-wide events. (Special events, VBS, Fall Festival, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, etc.)
7. Attend 80% of Spring and Fall workdays and participate regularly in church visitation.
8. Help prepare Senior Breakfast once a quarter.
9. Lock up church, turn off air, lights, etc. when they are designated deacon of the week on Sunday morning, Sunday evening, and Wednesday evening.
10. Minister to assigned families as needed.
11. Participate in the Lord's Supper services.
12. Work to maintain the unity of our church family.

**I recommend: (Please print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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