

BAPTIST CONVENTION OF NEW ENGLAND – MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please fill out both sides

Date Submitted: _____

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| CHECK ONE: | <input type="checkbox"/> Existing Church | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Plant Sponsor Church: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> New Satellite Campus of: _____ |
| Church Name: | _____ | | |
| Ethnicity: | _____ | | Language: _____ |
| Mailing Address: | _____ | | |
| Physical Address: | _____ | | |
| Church Phone: | _____ | Church Email: | _____ |
| Church Website: | _____ | | |
| Date church was established: | _____ | | |
| Church Membership: | _____ | Worship Attendance: | _____ |
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| Pastor's Name: | _____ | Pastor's Wife's Name: | _____ |
| Pastor's DOB: | _____ | Pastor's Wife's DOB: | _____ |
| Mailing Address: | _____ | | |
| Phone: | _____ | | |
| Email: | _____ | Pastor's Wife's Email: | _____ |
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| Deacon Chairman*: | _____ | | |
| Mailing Address: | _____ | | |
| Phone: | _____ | Email: | _____ |
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| Other Leader*: | _____ | | |
| Mailing Address: | _____ | | |
| Phone: | _____ | Email: | _____ |
| <i>*If the church uses a leadership structure other than deacons, please substitute the appropriate office title. Please list any other church officers that we should know about, use a separate sheet if needed.</i> | | | |
| FOR BCNE OFFICE USE ONLY (Please include date done and initial): | | | |
| Public launch: | Cooperative Program Giving: | ACS added: | |
| SBC ID added: | Association Notified If Applicable: | _____ | |

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1. Our church has reviewed “The Baptist Faith and Message,” (2000 edition), of the Southern Baptist Convention and is in general agreement with the doctrines therein.
2. Our church has met with representatives of the Baptist Convention of New England in person or via video and has been able to ask questions and discuss our involvement with the organization, which include such things as:
 - a. being involved in the ministries the BCNE offers that are deemed useful
 - b. being willing to host or sponsor ministries for other churches in the network
 - c. being willing to allow our pastor or other leaders to be involved in the network to further the work of evangelism, discipleship, church planting and reaching the next generation across New England
 - d. making a good faith effort to send one or more representatives to the annual business meeting
 - e. completing our Annual Church Profile each year in a timely way
 - f. making mission contributions to the BCNE through the Cooperative Program in accordance with our church budget. Minimum is \$500 annually, most give more.
3. Our church understands that the BCNE will assist us in strengthening and mobilizing our church to fulfill the Great Commission but that they will never exercise authority over our congregation.
4. Our church understands that in times of pastoral vacancy the Baptist Convention of New England will offer us a list of names that we might call for pulpit supply and pass resumes along to us, but the responsibility for finding and calling a new pastor rests with our congregation alone. We will not be “assigned” a pastor. We understand that we do not have to choose a pastor from the resumes that we are given from the BCNE.
5. Our church understands that we may withdraw from the BCNE at any time but agrees to allow a representative from the BCNE come speak to our leadership before taking such action in the hopes of possible reconciliation.
6. Our church understands that we may be dually aligned with other evangelical denominations, agencies, mission boards or organizations. By accepting our church, the BCNE is not endorsing those affiliations.
7. Churches that affiliate with the BCNE may also want to affiliate with the Southern Baptist Convention. If your church would like to do that, please check here () and someone from the SBC will contact you.

Our church (or elders if applicable) voted on this matter on _____ and it was accepted by the majority of our congregation (or elders if applicable). Signed by the following church officers:

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| Pastor: | Chairman of Deacons/Elders: | Church Clerk: |
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**Mail this signed application with your initial Cooperative Program contribution to the
 Baptist Convention of New England
 ATTN: Dr. Terry W. Dorsett
 87 Lincoln Street
 Northborough, MA 01532**