



NEW BEGINNINGS INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

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NEW BEGINNINGS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
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FELLOWSHIP GUIDELINES

JOIN THE MOVEMENT

Greetings from our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,

Apostles, Prophets, Bishops, Overseers, Pastors, Elders and everyone apart and committed to serve in the body of Christ. We are so thankful and excited that you have shown an interest in New Beginnings International Fellowship also known as New Beginnings. God is bringing kindred minds together in spirit and in truth. Becoming a part of this Fellowship is simple and easy. All you have to do is complete the application included in this packet to our International Headquarters via email (New Beginnings Christian Fellowship) Rochester, NY.

Below are a few frequently asked questions you may have on your mind:

- **What must one do to become a member of the N.C.I.F?**

You must be a part of the body of Christ, participate in **covenant partner commitments**. Each leader/church is asked for their continued support through being a covenant partner with a **\$20 a month** commitment per leader (Apostle, Bishop, Overseer, etc.) and per church (as a whole).

EXAMPLE: You can also accomplish your covenant partner commitment by asking 4 members of your congregation to give \$10 per month or however you decide to implement it in your church/ministry **IF** the leader & the ministry is being covered under the fellowship. This commitment can be done every month, or per quarter year (4 months). Additionally, each **leader** (elevated in the fellowship is **MANDATORY**) is asked for their continued support through covenant partners with an **annual** commitment per year **individually** (explained in graph at the **end of the document**). The covenant partner reporting period is from **February 28th- April 18th** of the calendar year. **Every** Holy Convocation starts a new covenant partner year.

- **If one becomes a part of the Fellowship, must he/she change the name of their church? NO**
- **If I hold a title/position in another fellowship or reformation, will that title be transferable to "New Beginnings"?**

Titles earned and recognized in another fellowship will be honored but not transferable to the Fellowship. The term **Overseer** is usually precluded with **general, state** and/or **district**. Overseers are appointed and installed for service and therefore credentials from another reformation will not be accepted. They are not consecrated to perform their duties, but must be properly trained.

A **Bishop** in the Fellowship is a consecrated member of the Fellowship who is entrusted with a position of authority and oversight. New Beginnings recognizes that an individual consecrated in another reformation may desire to become a part of “Changing A Generation.”

When a Bishop with a credential from another Reformation approaches the Fellowship about joining, for the first-time, they are presented with two options:

Option A: Joining as a covenant partner Pastor.

Option B: Joining as an **Adjunct Bishop** to the Fellowship, which is a category reserved for individuals credentialed as a Bishop by another Reformation, who desire to be considered for **full assimilation** into the Bishopric of New Beginnings. For more information, please contact International Headquarters or your local District Overseer.

- **Must one leave their present affiliation to be a part of New Beginnings?**
NO! We are a Fellowship that comes together to **FELLOWSHIP** with the Lord and each other. You can very well do **BOTH**. We believe that it is very important that the “walls of tradition” come down. Let us add to what is encouraging by allowing others to see what God is doing through New Beginnings, which is coming together in One Spirit in the Body of Christ.

- **Does New Beginnings control leader's churches in what they do and how they do it? NO!** Leaders are **NOT** by any means controlled in how to do their services and how their church is run. We as a fellowship are here to **help** not **control** any individual leaders ministry in any way shape or form. We are here to help **guide** and **nurture** anyone who is **willing** to receive Godly wisdom and council concerning things within their ministry such as **church growth, financial growth, affective ministry tactics & methods, community projects & community involvement (ministry outside the four walls), and church structure.**
- **Does New Beginnings cover leadership or churches/ministries?**
As a leader you have the option of being led by the Lord in choosing if you only want covering **OR** if you as well as the church desire covering from New Beginnings.
 1. **LEADER:** As a leader seeking covering you are required to your **OWN** covenant partnership requirement.
 2. **LEADER + CHURCH/MINISTRY:** If you desire for your church/ ministry as well as you (leader) to be covered by New Beginnings then **BOTH** entities are required to your covenant partner requirement. All covenant partner requirements for churches/ministries differentiate based on the size/financial stability of the church/ministry.
- **Do leaders have to pay their tithes and/or offering to the fellowship or their church/ministry?** It is **NOT** mandatory for a leader to pay tithes to the fellowship to be a member. New Beginnings in no way shape or form wants to **TAKE** away from churches/ministries but to **GIVE!** However, if a leader chooses to be lead of the Lord to send tithes/offering to the fellowship, they are allowed to do so by the leading of The Lord but are not required. **Ex:** Once a year, twice a year (every six months), every quarter of the year (every 4 months), etc.
- **What does the covenant partner membership requirements go towards?**

1. Covenant partner membership requirements goes towards the financial budget of **N.B.I.F. Holy Convocation** (once a year) where all members are required (elevated in fellowship is **MANDATORY**) to attend at **New Beginnings International Fellowship Headquarters (Rochester, NY)** or another city where it will be delegated to host Holy Convocation that year.
2. Covenant partner membership requirements will also be put towards the program called **N.I.C.F. Emergency Response**. This response is an implemented program inducted within the Fellowship as way to help and assist churches/ministries under the fellowship that are in need of the fellowships financial/moral support. This process is dependent upon the **Board of Emergency Response** that will decide where to assist and to help in the fellowship where there is a need with it's leaders and/or churches.

Covenant Partner Commitment (Monthly)		Month	Year (Total)
PARTNERS:	Leader Only	\$20	\$240
	Leader & Congregation	\$40	\$480

Annual Covenant Partnership (Yearly) Due: February 28th- April 18th	
Apostles	\$250
Bishops	\$200
Adjunct Bishops	\$175
Overseers	\$150
Pastors	\$100
Elders	\$75