

Churches of God, General Conference
Application to Participate in Federal Group Tax Exemption

Date of Application: _____

Official Name of Church: _____

Location Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Date Organized: _____

Employer Identification Number: _____

Fiscal Year End Date: _____

Has your church previously received a ruling or letter of determination relating to tax exemption from the IRS? (Mark One)

Yes, a copy is attached with this application.

No.

Attached is a copy of our: (Attach all which exist)

Conformed copy of Articles of Incorporation

Conformed copy of Constitution (Please complete Affirmation of Constitution if your conformed copy does not include date of implementation and signatures of officials)

NOTE: *Documents must include a Purpose section, a statement that no assets will inure to the benefit of private individuals, a provision for the distribution of assets upon the dissolution of the church, and a clear statement that indicates that the church is a member of the Churches of God, General Conference. If any of these items are not present in the documents, we will not be able to include your church/conference in the group until you modify your documents.*

Affirmation:

I have examined the church's organizing documents and I confirm that the present purposes and activities are in accordance with the organizing documents. I further affirm that the sources of revenue are primarily contributions received from individuals, earnings on investments, occasional sales of assets and de minimus amounts from sales of baked goods, etc. And the expenditures of revenue received are for the purposes we are organized.

We also affirm that we will not conduct charitable gaming, issue tax-exempt bonds, or be involved in low-income, elderly or handicapped housing.

When a professional fundraiser is used an "arms-length" business transaction is conducted that involves a contract for services to be rendered. The church's decision-making body assures that there is no conflict of interest between those making the decision and the organization contracted with. The contract does not allow for excessive income to be reimbursed to the fundraiser for their services. As fees for services approach 35% or more of the contributions raised, the fees are considered to be excessive.

Further, I affirm that our church does not, and will not, as a substantial part of its activities, attempt to influence legislation or participate to any extent in a political campaign for or against any candidate for public office.

Signature of Authorized Official: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Title of Official: _____

NOTE: *Churches of God, General Conference will notify you if, and when, your Application under the Group Exemption has been approved.*

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