

Advancing Church Ministries Association of Pastors, Leaders and Intercessors

ASSOCIATES

Thank you for your interest in Advancing Church Ministries Association (ACMA). To become an associate, you must complete our application process. As stated, association is for individuals or churches, both men and women, who are committed to Christlikeness, humility, prayer and unity.

Association Fees are \$48 per year required annually on or before January 31. Dues are prorated at \$4 monthly for those who join throughout the year. Most importantly, you will be connected to a growing association of like-minded leaders and intercessors in your region who are also reaching for Christlikeness. We do not require a tithe.

TYPES OF ASSOCIATES:

ICIT GRADUATES OF LEVEL I

The following types of associates types are for students who have successfully completed ICIT Level I.

Pastors and credentialed ministers have the option to take the online school or study the printed and audio training material on their own through our Basic Training Program, if they pass the standards test, they will be invited to apply for association.

1A) Pastoral

Senior and Associate Pastors are invited to join ACMA after completing Level I of In Christ's Image Training.

1B) Foundational and Extra-local Ministries

For credentialed ministers who serve as traveling evangelists, teachers, prophets, "city-reachers" or city-church facilitators. They are recognized by Paul as important ministries in building up the body of Christ as stated in Ephesians 4, 1 Corinthians 12 and Romans 12.

ICIT GRADUATES OF LEVELS I AND II

The following types are for students who have successfully completed ICIT Levels I and Level II, but choose not to facilitate a Level I group.

2A) Intercessors

For those whose primary ministry is intercession.

2B) Para Church Ministries

For those who have graduated from ICIT, but do not feel called to pulpit ministry. Associates in this category may be called to serve the community through a food pantry, clothes closet, pro-life advocacy, marriage ministry or other similar counseling or support-oriented calling.

2C) Church Leaders

For those individuals who currently serve local churches as elders, deacons, youth workers, worship leaders or ministry heads.

2D) Marketplace Ministries

For those who are businessmen, politicians, police, day care workers, physicians and all who consider what they are doing as a profession to be an intimate expression of their ministry to Christ and their community.

2E) Pastoral

Senior and Associate Pastors are invited to join ACMA at this level after completing Levels I, II and the on-site seminar (by past attendance, audio, or video), but choose not to facilitate a Level I group.

2F) Foundational and Extra-local Ministries

For credentialed ministers who serve as traveling evangelists, teachers, prophets, “city-reachers” or city-church facilitators. They are recognized by Paul as important ministries in building up the body of Christ as stated in Ephesians 4, 1 Corinthians 12 and Romans 12.

ICIT GRADUATES OF LEVELS I, II AND III (FACILITATION AND COMMISSIONING) AND THE ON-SITE SEMINAR

The following types of associates have priority should a position from a ministry become available.

These types are for students who have successfully completed ICIT Levels I, II, III and the on-site seminar (by past attendance, audio, or video).

3A) Intercessors

For those whose primary ministry is intercession.

3B) Para Church Ministries

For those who have graduated from ICIT, but do not feel called to pulpit ministry. Associates in this category may be called to serve the community through a food pantry, clothes closet, pro-life advocacy, marriage ministry or other similar counseling or support-oriented calling.

3C) Church Leaders

For those individuals who currently serve local churches as elders, deacons, youth workers, worship leaders or ministry heads.

3D) Marketplace Ministries

For those who are businessmen, politicians, police, day care workers, physicians and all who consider what they are doing as a profession to be an intimate expression of their ministry to Christ and their community.

3E) Pastoral

Senior and Associate Pastors are invited to join ACMA at this level after completing Levels I, II, III and the on-site seminar (by past attendance, audio, or video).

3F) Foundational and Extra-local Ministries

For credentialed ministers who serve as traveling evangelists, teachers, prophets, “city-reachers” or city-church facilitators. They are recognized by Paul as important ministries in building up the body of Christ as stated in Ephesians 4, 1 Corinthians 12 and Romans 12.

These individuals also are welcome to join ACMA after successfully passing Levels I, II, III and the on-site seminar (by past attendance, audio, or video).

ALTERNATIVE ASSOCIATE TYPES

4A) Associate Churches

For those congregations or portions thereof, from around the world, whose leadership and board desire deeper union with In Christ’s Image Training. The leadership in these congregations share a like-minded vision with Advancing Church Ministries and are actively engaged in teaching at least the Level I series.

It is important to note that there is no requirement for an associate church to leave their current organization or denomination. In fact, such action is counterproductive to the goals of ACMA. ACMA works with existing denominations, networks and associations to strengthen and unite the body of Christ.

4B) Honorary Associates

These are individuals whose character and spiritual profile is documented by many witnesses as being consistent with the values of In Christ’s Image Training and Advancing Church Ministries Association of Pastors, Leaders and Intercessors. Honorary associates must be nominated and approved by our ACMA board.