



## MISSOURI BAPTISTS

### HOW YOUR CHURCH MAY AFFILIATE WITH THE MISSOURI BAPTIST CONVENTION

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#### **Step 1: Complete the Resolution for Affiliation**

- It's a simple three-page document
- Enclosed for your reference is a copy of the MBC Constitution; pay particular attention to Article IV – Membership
- Email the completed form to [newaffiliations@mobaptist.org](mailto:newaffiliations@mobaptist.org) or mail to:

New Church Affiliation  
c/o The Missouri Baptist Convention  
400 E. High Street  
Jefferson City, MO 65101

#### **Step 2: Meet with a regional MBC multiplying churches missionary**

- The missionary contacts you to schedule an appointment
- This is a good time to ask questions and clarify issues
- Although it is not required, the missionary may request an endorsement from the Director of Missions for your local Missouri Baptist association

#### **Step 3: Engage with the Cooperative Program**

- Submit an initial contribution to the Missouri Baptist Convention with the completed Resolution for Affiliation
- Determine your ongoing contribution to the Cooperative Program. This is a percentage (or amount) of undesignated receipts sent to the MBC for cooperative missions throughout the state and around the world (learn more about the Cooperative Program at [www.mobaptist.org/cp](http://www.mobaptist.org/cp))
- Your church, as an autonomous local body of believers, determines the percentage or amount you give to cooperative missions through the Cooperative Program

#### **Step 4: Receive a welcome packet and begin regular contributions to the Cooperative Program**

- The welcome packet includes a letter from the MBC's Executive Director. Once you receive the letter, your church is considered an MBC-affiliated church.
- A supply of pre-printed remittance forms featuring your church's unique Cooperative Program tracking number is included in your welcome packet; these forms are to accompany your future contributions to the Cooperative Program
- A sample remittance form is attached for your information

#### **Step 6: Be inducted into the Missouri Baptist Convention**

- Missouri Baptists will formally induct you into the MBC at their Annual Meeting, normally held in late October

**Step 7: Remain in good standing with the Missouri Baptist Convention**

- Contribute to the Cooperative Program on at least an annual basis
- Maintain single alignment: do not contribute to any other national convention of churches or organization that acts as a national convention, and do not send representative(s) or messenger(s) to such a convention (any organization that independently sends and ordains ministers to the United States military services is considered a national convention); do not contribute financially to the work of any other state convention in Missouri or organization that acts as a state convention in Missouri.

## RESOLUTION FOR AFFILIATION

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Name of Church \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Attached is a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Missouri Baptist Convention. These are the documents that define our beliefs, relationships, and practices. **Pay particular attention in the Constitution to "Article IV-Membership" as it speaks to the matters of "Single Alignment" in Section 1 and Section 4.**

1. Do you agree to enter into and abide by this covenant relationship with the Missouri Baptist Convention? *Understand that this includes the issue of "Single Alignment" with other denominational-type networks in Missouri.*
2. Will you agree to participate in our Acts 1:8 vision of cooperative missions by giving regularly to and promoting the Cooperative Program through the Missouri Baptist Convention?
3. How, why, and when did your church come into existence?

\*If you have answered "no" to any of these questions, please explain on the reverse.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Position at church:            \_\_\_ Pastor            \_\_\_ Moderator            \_\_\_ Clerk



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**PASTOR INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PO Box or Street) (City) (Zip)

Home: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell : ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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**CHURCH SECRETARY INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PO Box or Street) (City) (Zip)

Home: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell : ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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**CHURCH TREASURER INFORMATION: (person who signs the checks)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PO Box or Street) (City) (Zip)

Home: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell : ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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**CHURCH CLERK INFORMATION: (person who keeps records of the membership)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(PO Box or Street) (City) (Zip)

Home: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell : ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby state that the above information is accurate.

**Signed:**

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CHURCH CLERK

\_\_\_\_\_  
MODERATOR OR PASTOR

\_\_\_\_\_ Church  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Association

Date \_\_\_\_\_

 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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MBC Remittance Forms (Please include with your check)

<b>***** Cooperative Program Giving *****</b>	
<b>Cooperative Program</b> Mission support for MBC & SBC Ministries	\$
<b>***** Designated Giving *****</b> (These gifts are not considered Cooperative Program)	
MMO/Rheubin L. South Offering	\$
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering (NAMB)	\$
Lottie Moon Christmas Offering (IMB)	\$
Baptist Hunger Relief (World Hunger)	\$
Birthday Offering--Children's Home	\$
Anniversary Offering--Children's Home	\$
Madge N. Truex--WMU	\$
Disaster Relief--General Fund	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>	\$

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

 Please make all checks payable to the **Missouri Baptist Convention**
*Thank you for supporting Cooperative Program ministries*