

Application for Ministries seeking Cooperation Ministry Recognition by the FGBC Inc.

Please review the Constitution and Manual of Procedure for the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches. Note carefully ARTICLE II, ARTICLE III and ARTICLE X of the Constitution and ARTICLE III of the Manual of Procedure, which deal with the cooperation ministry requirements.

How does your ministry seek to serve the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches?

Design Outreach (DO) is a humanitarian engineering Christian non-profit organization that was founded to prioritize the needs and aspiration of the world's poor. Our mission is to create and deliver life-transforming solutions for poor and underserved communities around the world. We accomplish this mission by creating a platform for collaboration among volunteers, donors, and suppliers. We also help other non-profits, NGO's, and others serving the poor discover new possibilities for the serious challenges they face. Therefore, Design Outreach is currently serving the FGBC by providing a means for those with engineering and technical gifts, abilities, and resources to serve God's redemptive plan in global areas of poverty. Also, DO serves other FGBC co-operative ministries by providing engineering and technical resources at low cost.

Does your ministry agree to live harmoniously under the Covenant and Statement of Faith as found in Article III of the Constitution of the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches, Inc.?

Yes.

List the present responsible officers of the ministry with titles:

Greg Bixler, CEO
Abraham Wright, President
Bradley Bryant, Treasurer
Ron Manahan, Director
David Phelps, Director
Howard Greene, Director
Henry Wava, Director

Explain how the ministry is sponsored and controlled by members of FGBC churches?

The DO board of directors has five members who attend Grace Brethren churches. Also, many of the 50+ volunteers for DO also attend a Grace Brethren church.

Is the ministry a subsidiary of only one local church? (Y/N)

No.

How does the ministry must have a scope of ministry broader than the immediate local church ministries and exist to serve other Grace Brethren Churches?

Design Outreach has a global focus. We seek to serve the poor around the world. We are currently working in the Central African Republic and Malawi, and we have plans to expand to Zambia, Ethiopia, Kenya, and Mali this year.

How does this ministry meet a recognized need related to the fulfilling of the Great Commission?

Design Outreach is the means for those with engineering and technical gifts, abilities, opportunities, experiences, and resources to serve God's redemptive plan in global areas of poverty, vulnerability, disempowerment, and loss of hope.

To the best of your knowledge, does your ministry or any leadership of your ministry have unresolved problems with another Grace Brethren church, leader, district or cooperating ministry? If so, who can we contact for clarification?

No.

In seeking to be a cooperating ministry of the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches, does the ministry recognize the obligation of mutual encouragement and cooperation with Grace Brethren churches, districts, national ministries and/or other cooperating ministries?

Yes.

If accepted by the procedures outlined in ARTICLE X, Section 2 of the Manual of Procedure and the ministry becomes recognized as cooperating ministry of the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches, Inc., does the ministry understand that :

It is not a creation of the FGBC ? (Y/N) Y

It is not an integral part of the FGBC? (Y/N) Y

It is not in any way controlled by the FGBC or Fellowship Conference? (Y/N) Y

The Fellowship Conference asks for an annual report only as a courtesy? (Y/N) Y

Please attach a brief history and description of the ministry to this application.

General Instructions: Fill out this application form and send it with to the FELLOWSHIP OF GRACE BRETHREN CHURCHES, P. O. Box 384, WINONA LAKE, IN 46590. The deadline for application is January 1st in order to be considered in the following annual conference.

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Contact Person: __Abe Wright (cell number listed above)_____