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Application for Membership in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches:

General Instructions: Fill out this application form and send it with your membership fee to the FELLOWSHIP OF GRACE BRETHREN CHURCHES, P.O. Box 384, WINONA LAKE, IN 46590 and send a file copy as an attachment to tomavey@fgbc.org. The deadline for application is January 1st in order to be considered in the following annual conference. If you wish to request an extension of this deadline, include a letter of reference from a cooperating district missions board, a sponsoring church that is already a member of the FGBC, or Grace Brethren Missions.

Official Name of Church

Iglesia Cristiana La Cosecha

Church Mailing Address

4800 Garrett rd. PO Box 52381

City

Durham

State

NC

Zip

27717

Phone

(919) 901- 5387 (Church Planter cell from Work)

Email

pastoroscarchavez@me.com

Meeting Place

4800 Garrett Rd Durham, NC. 27707

Web Site

Pastor or principle leader

Oscar Chavez

Address

210 Reynolds Ave,

City

Durham

State

NC

Zip

27707

Phone

919- 901-5387

Email

Tell Us about Your Church and Its People . . .

Attach or give a brief history or testimony about your churches ministry, including any pictures that capture the heart of the congregation and mission.

List the present responsible officers (or leaders) of the congregation with titles:

Oscar Chavez	Church Planter
Angel C. Matamoros.	Pastor Assistant/ Worship/ Young Adults
Debby Ramirez	Ministries Assistant
Dulce Castillo	Administrative Assistant
Leonel Melara	Treasurer
Maritza Melara	Events Coordinator
Lourdes Raudales	Kitchen and facilities coordinator
Pat Chavez	Children Director

Tell Us About Your Current and Future Connections to the FGBC Family . . .

The FGBC is committed to biblical relationships . . .

Is there another Grace Brethren Church, ministry or district that is helping you connect with the FGBC and process this membership application? If so, which one? Please describe your relationship with that church, ministry, or district.

Yes, Jesus Munoz and the "Iglesia Comunal La Esperanza" in Valrico, Florida have been helping me to connect to the Fellowship.

Why does your church desire membership in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches?

Doctrine, vision, practices and because I have being part of the fellowship for the past 7 years as the Pastor of a GBC in California.

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

No

In what ways does your church intend to continue its cooperation with other churches in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches? (For example, cooperative activities such as National Conference, District Ministerium, Focus Retreats, etc.)

All of the above as finances allow it

In seeking membership in the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches, does your church recognize the obligation of mutual encouragement and cooperation with other congregations and agree to fulfill the membership requirements as stated in the Constitution and Manual of Procedure?

Yes

Tell Us About Your Church's Commitment to the Bible . . .

The FGBC is committed to biblical truth . . .

The Bible is the infallible word of God and we preach, teach and encourage our members to live their lives according to it.

Please review the Constitution and Manual of Procedure for the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches. Note carefully ARTICLE III and ARTICLE IV of the Constitution and ARTICLE I of the Manual of Procedure that deal with the membership requirements new FGBC churches are to meet. (see www.fgbc.org/constitution and www.fgbc.org/manualofprocedure) ***What questions does this raise for you and your church that we should discuss together?***

None

Have you already officially aligned with the Statement of Faith and are people in your church aware of this alignment?

Yes

The Mission We Commit To Pursue Together . . .

The FGBC is committed to biblical mission . . .

Please read the Commitment to Common Mission (www.fgbc.org/files/OurCommitmentToCommonMission.pdf). Please comment on any ideas or dreams your church has in any of the three areas of ministry:

Developing Leaders

The purpose of our Church is:

Reach / teach / Send

For those who know me you would know my passion to develop leaders.

Planting a new church

My desire to develop leaders is to multiply church planters for the geographical area where we are planting the first church. We have a vision for multiplication.

Engaging in integrated ministry in your community?

We are involve in our community helping the poor and needy

We encourage you to consider reading "Restoring the Household" by Todd Scoles in order to become more familiar with the FGBC family. We welcome the opportunity to discuss any questions you might have as a result of what you learn.

How many people are presently members of this church? 40

A check payable to FGBC based on the chart below for the current year membership fee should be included with this application. Use your church's average attendance multiplied by \$3.90

OK.. \$156.00

How will you identify your affiliation with the Fellowship of Grace Brethren Churches? (ie: on a church sign, letterhead, church bulletin, etc).

Bulletin

Describe your practice of Triune Immersion and the Threefold Communion Service.

We baptize by triune immersion going forward and we practice our threefold communion by having a Dinner and then washing of the feet and we finish the bread and the cup.

April 21, 2012

Fellowship Of Grace Brethren Churches:

Dear Fellowship, Iglesia Cristiana La Cosecha and their Pastor Oscar Chavez have applied for membership in the FGBC and I want to recommend the church for their acceptance. I have been in touch with Pastor Oscar since he decided to leave California and move to North Carolina to start this new church.

La Cosecha church, located at 4800 Garrett rd. PO Box 52381 Durham NC 27717 with Phone number (919) 901- 5387 have been, since its beginning, following the teachings and teaching the believes of the FGBC and I attest that I do not know of any animosity or problem between their Pastor nor their congregation with any of our Grace Brethren churches. This church has been practicing triple immersion baptismal and full communion since it beginning.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to get in touch with me at:



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