

Steps for Admission for CBA Church Candidate

1. Complete the Application for Membership

Please fill out the Membership Application and scan/e-mail this to the Director of Missions. Once the application has been reviewed, a meeting will be set up with the CBA Leadership Team. This team serves as the governing body for the CBA per its new constitution and bylaws.

2. Review & affirm the Baptist Faith & Message 2000

We believe every church is purposed to be autonomous and self-governing. We believe an association of churches promotes cooperation and collaboration around the common purpose of fulfilling the Great Commission. The Baptist Faith & Message aligns us with common beliefs and values shared by Southern Baptist Churches world-wide. Please read and review this set of doctrinal beliefs in order to affirm. <http://www.sbc.net/bfm2000/bfm2000.asp>

3. Begin supporting the CBA monthly

CBA churches provide monthly financial support to accomplish our vision of strengthening churches, strengthening leaders and planting churches in the Greater Charleston area. Most churches give a percentage (commonly 3%) of undesignated offerings per month to participate in our shared vision and mission. Giving options include on-line giving or by mailing a check to our office: www.charlestonbaptist.net/give/

4. Meet with the CBA Leadership Team

Team Leaders who represent our vision pathways also serve as pastors in our association. This team of leaders are known as the CBA administrative team who meets monthly to carryout decisions that affect the operational and organizational direction of the association. This will be an opportunity to make a personal connection and learn more about your church and vision. Please set this up with our Admin Assistant: info@charlestonbaptist.net

5. Link up with a CBA church for a one-year sponsorship

Because we are an association of churches who share common beliefs and are cooperative in mission, we ask for your affiliation to begin through a connection with one of our churches who is in good standing within our association. Please go to our website to view the names and information for churches who are members of the CBA. We would be glad to make a connection with one of our churches should you not have one chosen: www.charlestonbaptist.net/partners/

6. Present your Leadership Team at the Annual Meeting

Every year in October our association gathers together to celebrate the vision and welcome new churches into our familial association of churches. Your leadership team will be presented and welcomed into the CBA family of churches. Your sponsor church will introduce your leadership team and a formal vote will be cast by the messengers from the churches to formally receive you into our association.