

*****This form must be printed on Church's Official Letter Head*****

CHURCH QUALIFIER FORM
(For churches which do not have a 501(c)(3) Letter from IRS)

Church Name _____

Church Address _____

1. Is there a distinct legal existence? () YES () NO

2. Is there a recognized creed and form of worship? () YES () NO

3. Is there a definite and distinct ecclesiastical government? () YES () NO

4. Is there a formal code of doctrine and discipline? () YES () NO

5. Is there a distinct religious history? () YES () NO

6. Is there a membership not associated with any (other) church or denomination? () YES () NO

7. Is there a complete organization of ordained ministers ministering to their congregations? () YES () NO

8. Are ordained ministers elected after completing prescribed courses of study? () YES () NO

9. Is there a literature of its own? () YES () NO

10. Is there an established place(s) of worship? () YES () NO

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11. Are there regular congregations? YES NO
12. Are there regular religious services? YES NO
13. Are there Sunday (Saturday) Schools for religious instruction for the young? YES NO
14. Are there schools for the preparation of its ministers? YES NO
15. Has the Church applied for 501(c)(3) status? YES NO

Recommendation _____

Signed _____ Date _____

NOTE: Although churches are classified as 501(c)(3) organizations, the IRS does not require that they file for an official designation of 501(c)(3) status. This qualifier is an attempt to make sure that a church membership does not impose a burden and offers a maximum protection to the Food Bank. Therefore, it is imperative there is as much documentation as possible to make sure the church is who and what they say are.