

Photo of Spouse

OPEN BIBLE STANDARD CHURCHES
36-40 Ruth Avenue, Les Efforts West,
San Fernando.

Photo of Applicant

APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CREDENTIALS
ASSOCIATE MINISTER

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please do not leave blank spaces. Wherever no comment is applicable insert a dash or N.A. (not applicable).
2. Please enclose two (2) recent passport size photographs and one (1) of spouse.
3. A fee of \$50.00 must accompany each renewal.
4. Late renewals shall incur a penalty fee of \$25.00. A renewal is deemed late when it arrives after January 15th, of the credentialing year.
5. There shall be a grace period of 16 days after the given closing date for submitting renewal of credentials.
6. Failure to renew credentials or failure to remit credential fees will mean the expiration of credentials.
7. No minister is permitted to continue with his official duties if he/she fails to have his/her credentials renewed.
8. All credentials are valid only for the period printed on the credential card.
9. An application is considered incomplete if any of the required documents is omitted.
10. A Confidential Report from the applicant's Senior Pastor/District Superintendent and a Confidential Personal Reference from applicant's employer must be received before any renewal is considered.
11. If unemployed or self employed the Confidential Personal Reference should be completed by a person of established reputation in the community.

A) PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
2. **Please complete questions (a) to (l) if there are changes:**
 - a) Address: _____
 - b) Telephone: Home _____ Office _____ Cell: _____
E-Mail: _____
 - c) Marital Status: Single Widowed Engaged Married Divorced Remarried
Separated
 - d) Residing with your spouse? Yes No N.A.
 - e) Spouse's name: _____ Date of marriage: ____/____/____
 - f) Has your spouse lived away from home for a period exceeding 3 months during the past year? Yes No N.A. No. of children ____ Ages _____
 - g) If remarried, is your former spouse alive? _____
 - h) Has your spouse been divorced? _____ If yes is his/her former spouse alive? _____
 - i) Are you presently employed? Yes No .
 - j) Employer _____
Address _____ Phone _____
 - k) Date employed _____ Current Position _____

B) MINISTRY:

3. What church are you currently attending and what position/s do you hold?

4. If **not pastoring** place a tick \checkmark next to the ministerial activities in which you are currently involved and add brief comments and highlights of your ministry during the past year. (Use separate paper if necessary).

<u>Ministry Activity</u>	<u>Tick Here</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Sunday school	_____	_____
Water Baptism	_____	_____
Youth Ministry	_____	_____
Counseling	_____	_____
Bible Study Teaching	_____	_____
Visitation	_____	_____
Leading small groups	_____	_____
Prayer Ministry	_____	_____
Worship Ministry	_____	_____
Evangelism /Missions	_____	_____
Planning projects	_____	_____
Supervision work	_____	_____
Preaching	_____	_____
Mentoring	_____	_____

Other ministerial activities in which you are engaged. (e.g. Bible School instructor etc.)

5. Are you holding ministerial credentials with any other organization?

Yes No (Explain if answer is YES) _____

C) SPIRITUAL LIFE

6. Do you have a consistent devotional life? Yes No

7. List two of your major spiritual goals.

8. List your strengths and gifting: _____

9. Are there areas of your growth about which you have particular concerns?

Yes No Please explain _____

D) EDUCATION/TRAINING

10. What efforts have you made towards ongoing ministerial training during the last year?

Seminars/Workshops Institutions/Schools Courses Books

Explain _____

E) FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

11. What gross financial support do you receive from:

a) Church: SALARY _____ ALLOWANCE _____ NONE _____

b) Other sources: SALARY _____ ALLOWANCE _____ NONE _____

12. With what consistency and certainty do you receive financial support?

MONTHLY BI-MONTHLY OTHER _____

13. Have you received any offerings toward your personal support during the past year of ministry? Yes No

14. **If you are the Senior Pastor:**

a) Are you satisfied with the system of financial accounting in your church?

Yes No Not really Is your church consistently supporting O.B.S.C. Inc.

LEFM Programme? Yes No Not sure

15. Are you registered in a Pension or Annuity Plan? Yes No

16. Do you have debts, which you haven't paid, or are not paying? Yes No

17. Are you reasonably satisfied with the handling of your personal finances? Yes No

18. If not, would you like us to recommend a financial advisor/counselor? Yes No

F) HEALTH

19. When last did you have a Medical check-up? _____

Please indicate the result by ticking one of the following:

i) No Illness

ii) Illness - well controlled

iii) Illness – not well controlled (please explain under confidential cover)

20. Are these habits a normal part of your lifestyle?

Rest Vacation for family Exercise

21. Are you registered in OBSC's Medical plan or have Medical Insurance otherwise?

Yes No

G) FUTURE THRUST

22. Do you have any suggestions for the improvement of this organization? Yes No

Please explain

H) COVENANT PROMISE

- 23. Do you pledge under God to live and minister in a way that is commensurate with the teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, choosing rather to suffer loss yourself and spare the flock of God? Yes No Not sure
- 24. Will you work at all times in harmony with the organization supporting the standards, doctrines and policies? Yes No Not sure
- 25. Will you submit yourself to those in authority over you in the Lord, honoring and esteeming them under God? (Rom. 13:1; 1 Thess. 5:12, 13)
Yes No Not sure
- 26. Will you be held to the Scriptural standard of not taking a 'brother' to court (1Cor. 6:1-8)?
Yes No Not sure

Signature of Applicant _____ Date: _____

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(For Official Use Only)

Date Form received: _____

Attachment checklist

Attachment	Status	Date Received
Fees		
Passport Pictures		
Confidential Report		
Personal Reference Report		

RECORDS	# AGM Attended	# AMTP Attended	Tithes Submitted		Financial Report Submitted	Operations Report Submitted	#Assembly Meetings Attended
			Personal	Church			
# Convened							
Comments							

BOARD OF CREDENTIALS:

Remarks: _____

Date of Interview _____

Accepted _____

Rejected _____

Deferred _____

Notified _____

Date credentials renewed _____

National Elder/Director

National Secretary/Treasurer