

**Fellowship of Independent Reformed Evangelicals
Membership Application**

Date:

Membership category (select one): Church or Individual

Name of church or individual applicant (as you wish it to appear on the F.I.R.E. roster):

Address:

Telephone contacts:

Email contacts:

Webpage:

If a church application, list name and contact information of 1 or 2 pastoral contacts:

If an individual application, list name and contact information for the church of which you are a member:

If you lead a ministry organization, please state its name and core ministries. Also list its webpage.

Please describe any of your distinctive practices or beliefs that might be uncommon among an association of reformed credo-baptist evangelicals such as F.I.R.E.?

If your church or ministry subscribes to one of the historic confessions of faith, please state which one. If not, please attach a copy of its statement of faith. Also attach a copy of its constitution (see affirmations below).

With what national or regional groups, organizations, associations, or denominations are you affiliated?

Please list names and contact information of those we might speak with regarding your application.

Describe your journey to the “doctrines of grace” (Calvinism).

In light of our commitment to the motto, *in essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, in all things charity*, what is non-negotiable for you in ministry?

What do you hope to gain by joining F.I.R.E.?

Please state any questions, clarifications, or comments.

As conscience permits, please affix your initials next to the following statements thereby signifying your or your church’s affirmation.

1. I have read the Constitution of F.I.R.E. and agree to abide by it. ____
2. I have read the doctrinal statement of F.I.R.E. and am in full agreement with it. ____
3. I have read the doctrinal statement of F.I.R.E. and am in substantial agreement with it. I have listed on a separate sheet the areas of disagreement. ____
4. I have read the published policy statements from the F.I.R.E. board and understand them to be an expression of what is commonly held by the F.I.R.E. constituency. ____
5. I have attached a copy of my church or ministry doctrinal statement. ____
6. I have attached a copy of my church or ministry constitution. ____
7. I have attended a regional or national F.I.R.E. conference. ____
8. I understand that F.I.R.E. is a participatory network and thus I intend to participate in the life of the association by attendance at F.I.R.E. conferences. ____
9. I will notify the executive board if I need to modify my affirmations in the future. ____

Signature:

Date:

This section to be completed by the sponsoring church

Reminder: The F.I.R.E. constituency ultimately depends on the sponsoring church to attest to the applicant's suitability for membership in the association. Hence, the sponsoring church should feel free to engage the applicant in candid discussion regarding practices and preferences in both church and personal life.

Name of sponsoring church:

Address:

Telephone contacts:

Email contacts:

Name of person completing on behalf of the sponsoring church:

Date of verbal or face-to-face conversation with applicant:

Sign and date one statement below:

I certify that our church recommends _____
for membership without proviso.

Signature:

Date:

I certify that our church recommends _____
for membership with proviso as explained below.

Signature:

Date:

Comments:

The sponsoring church should submit this completed application to the membership committee for processing at membership@firefellowship.org.