

HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE AWARD

APPLICATION PACKET

BETHEL CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY (A Graduate College of Theology and Ministry)



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OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

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APPLICATION FOR HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE

(\$50.00 Non-Refundable application fee MUST be sent with this application)

Name: _____
Last Middle First

I am 40 years of age or older Yes No. Date of Birth: _____ Are you Born Again? Yes No

Mailing Address: _____
Street

City State Zip Code Country

Telephone No: (____) _____ E-mail address: _____

Marital Status: Married Single Engaged Separated Divorced Re-married Widowed

Gender: Male Female. Name of Spouse: _____

Educational Background: Name of High School: _____

Graduated/GED Yes No. Year Graduated: _____ if not a graduate, show highest year completed:

(9, 10, 11, 12). College or Specialized Training: Yes No. List College(s) and type(s) of degree(s) presently

Held with dates: _____

What type(s) of Ministry are you presently involved in? (Be Specific) _____

What are your Ministry goals? _____

How long have you been a Christian? _____ Have you been Baptized by Immersion? Yes No

Name of Church you presently attend on a regular basis: _____

Contact Address: _____

Pastor's Name: _____ Tel: No: (____) _____

Your Present Occupation: _____

Present Employer: _____

Address: _____

Are you a Licensed or an Ordained Minister? Yes No. If yes, list the date and name of the ministry that Licensed or Ordained you with photocopy of certificates attached: _____

I have attached **two** recommendations for Honorary Doctorate Degree from my Pastor and my Christian Friend who can verify that I have been involved in full time ministry for at least **TEN YEARS**. Yes No.

How and where did you hear about Bethel Christian University by: __ Magazine, __ Internet, __ Conference, __ Advert
__ Handbill/Poster, __ Referred by: (name) _____

Have you ever been involved in the occult? Yes No. if Yes to what extent: _____

Have you ever been disciplined by a Church, a Pastor, or a Christian Leader Yes No. Please Explain: _____

Have you ever been treated for emotional/mental condition: Yes No. If yes, explain: _____

Have you ever been accused or found guilty of Child Abuse, Sexual molestation, misappropriation of funds, felony crimes, or inordinate affections (including lesbianism or homosexual lifestyles)?

Yes No if yes explain: _____

DECLARATION

I, _____, hereby declare that, BCU reserves the right to deny or revoke the approval of any candidate whose behavior or lifestyle is inconsistent with Biblical principles or with the University's standard code of conducts in the Ministry.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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Date Application Received: _____ Approved: Yes No. If No, give reason (s): _____

Degree Approved: _____

Approving Officer's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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PERSONAL FRIEND'S HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE RECOMMENDATION FORM

TO THE APPLICANT

Please complete the following before forwarding to the appropriate friend.

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

This section is to be completed by your FRIEND ONLY.

TO THE PERSONAL FRIEND.

Your comments will be given serious attention and will be regarded as CONFIDENTIAL.

NB: Please mail this form directly to the Office of Registrar, Bethel Christian University, 5010 SW 20th Terrace Topeka KS. 66604, USA. **Or send it as an email attachment to: info@bcuks.org**

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____ Years _____ Months. In what capacity? _____

2. Are you acquainted with the applicant's religious life? _____ Business life? _____ and social life? _____

3. Is he/she saved? _____ please describe the applicant's home life _____

4. Please give what information you can regard the applicant's church, social and business life. _____

5. Has he/she been active in the church? _____ in what capacity? _____

6. Has he/she any special talents or abilities (be specific) _____

7. Does the applicant respond well to authority? _____

8. Does the applicant work well with others? _____

9. Have you noted any particular personality weaknesses? (Be specific) _____

10. What do you consider to be the applicant's doctrinal peculiarities? _____

11. Is the applicant's conduct with the opposite sex above reproach? _____
if not, please explain _____

12. Is the applicant living a consistent Christian life? _____ if not, please explain _____

13. Would you recommend that we accept this applicant for an honorary doctorate degree award?
Please check one of the following: Yes No. **I would recommend this candidate to receive an Honorary Doctorate Degree for the following reasons:** _____

Name of Recommender: _____

Church: _____

Address: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

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PASTOR'S HONORARY DOCTORATE DEGREE RECOMMENDATION FORM

TO THE APPLICANT

Please complete the following before forwarding to a PASTOR:

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

This section is to be completed by a PASTOR ONLY.

TO THE PASTOR.

Your comments will be given serious attention and will be regarded as CONFIDENTIAL.

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1. How well do you know the applicant? _____
How long do you know him? _____

2. After a personal interview, have you determined that the applicant has received Jesus Christ as his/her personal Savior? Please explain: _____

3. What is the applicant's involvement in your Church? _____

4. In your estimation does the applicant exert a good influence among those of his own age?
Yes No if Yes, how? Please explain if No: _____

5. Are you aware of any personality traits which hinder the applicant in relations with others?
Yes No if Yes, please explain: _____

6. Comment on any special circumstances which might prove helpful in considering this applicant's application. _____

7. To your knowledge does the applicant use tobacco, alcohol or drugs?
Yes No if Yes, please explain: _____

8. What are the significant strengths and special abilities of the applicant: _____

9. Please tick your choice of recommendation of an honorary degree to Bethel Christian University.
 Highly Recommended Recommended Not Recommended

* Please indicate the reason(s) for your recommendation: _____

Pastor's Name: _____ Position: _____

Name of Church or Ministry: _____

Address: _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____ Telephone: _____ E-mail _____

HONORARY DEGREE PROGRAMS

Bethel Christian University offers honorary degree to people who have distinguished themselves in their ministries and communities. The honorary degree is not earned, but deserved. This degree is for those that does not need to prepare for ministry with an earned degree, but has already made an impact in the ministry and Christian Communities. It is given to well recognize eminent personalities who have contributed to the building of Christian Churches, Ministries, Communities, the Nation and the cause of Christ in World Evangelism.

AREAS OF AWARD

1. **DOCTOR OF DIVINITY (D.D) (Honoris Causa):**

This Degree is award to individual as a Religious or Sacred degree. A person inspired by the Spirit of God with hope, vision on leadership.

2. **DOCTOR OF LETTERS (D. Litt.) (Honoris Causa):**

This Degree is awarded primarily to an individual who has made contributions to Christian Communities.

GRADUATION DONATION

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|---|----------|
| 1. Application fee | \$50.00 |
| 2. Graduation Expenses (Donation) to cover: | \$500.00 |
| a. Registration | |
| b. Documentation and Processing | |
| c. Certificate Holder | |
| d. Other miscellaneous Expenses | |

Applicant must submit to the office of Bethel Christian University, the following:

- (I) A completed enclosed application form for an Honorary Doctorate Degree.
 - (II) Detailed life biography (Ministry Resume)
 - (III) Copies of all educational certificates, diplomas, degrees and any special recognition certificates.
 - (IV) Copies of current license/ordination certificates; if any
 - (V) 2 passport photographs
- Two enclosed recommendation forms completed by an established Pastor, Missionary, or a Christian Leader, VERIFYING THESE CLAIMS.

Upon receipt and review of the above information, Bethel Christian University staff:

1. Reserve the right to require the candidate to supply **additional information** to the University.
2. On satisfaction, an approval letter will be sent to the Applicant.
3. All payments must be made by check in the name of **Bethel Christian University**, in advance before the ceremony. Payments can also be made through the University's website PayPal account or a direct bank transfer.
4. Due to the significance of this honorable event, the date and location of the public presentation must be pre-approved by the Board of Directors. We highly suggest that presentation be made during the University's Graduation ceremony or to be agreed and approved by the Board of Directors to take place on a special location.
5. All costs and fees must be paid in advance of presentation date.
6. If you would like to purchase a gown, hood or cap, please Contact the office of the Registrar for information. Special tailored and designed gowns, hoods; caps are available for additional fees.

N.B. Prices are subject to change without notice.

SAMPLE OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY RESUME

NB: Please write a comprehensive detailed Christian Resume (in Essay form) of not less than 1,000 words covering the following areas:

PERSONAL INFORMATION

JohnBull B. Akins
5010 SW 20TH Terrace,
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EDUCATION

1978 - 1981 BA, Theology from Faith Bible College. Texas.
1982 - 1986 completed correspondence courses from Kingsway College. Iowa.
(If Transcripts are not available - list courses completed, with seminars
And workshops that are applicable to the Ministry)

CREDENTIALS/CERTIFICATES

1975 - 1978 Licensed by Grace Bible Church, Kansas. (Church recognition)
1978 - 1990 Licensed by Kingsway Fellowship Int'l. Iowa, (Int'l. recognition)

TEACHING MINISTRY

1973 - 1975 Sunday School Teacher, Adult class, Faith Bible Church, Kansas (1 hour weekly).

1975 - 1978 Teaches Major Prophets, Grace Bible Institute, Kansas (1 hour 18 weeks= 1 semester)

1977 - 1978 Sunday school Superintendent, Grace Bible Church, Kansas, (2 hours a week)

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

1976 - 1978 Evangelism Director

1976 - 1980 Director of Missions

1983 -1986 President of Men's or Women's ministry

ADMINISTRATION MINISTRY

1973 - 1975 Part t-times Church Administrator, Faith Bible Church, Kansas. (16 hours a week)

1975 - 1978 Church Secretary, Grace Bible Church, Kansas. (2 hours a week)

PREACHING MINISTRY

1973 - 1975 Fill in for Pastor when away, Grace Bible Church, Kansas.

1975 - 1978 Wednesday night Services, Grace Bible Church, Kansas.

PASTORAL MINISTRY

1974 - 1975 Home Bible Study with couples in the neighborhood (1 hour weekly)

1975 - 1976 Prison Ministry, County Jail, Kansas (2 hours weekly)

1975 - 1978 Church Elder, Grace Bible Church. Kansas. (Weekly services)

1976 - 1978 Hospital Ministry, Grace Bible Church, Kansas. (4 hours weekly)

1978 - 1982 Pastor of Fellowship of Christ Church, Iowa.

1982 - Date Senior Pastor Hope Christian Center, New York.

SEMINARS/CONFERENCES

1978 - Church growth seminar - 20 hours

1982 - Pastor's leadership conference - 40 hours

SERVED ON BOARD

1975 - 1978 Hope Ministers Fellowship. (2 hours per month for four years)

NB: Please attach documents to prove your claims.