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U.S. Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches

**CHURCH APPLICATION**

**FOR MEMBERSHIP**

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**PLEASE SEND TO THE DISTRICT TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING:**

**United States Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches**

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Legal Name of Church

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Church website

Church FEIN

Name of Pastor

**Pastor’s contact information:**

Address

City, State, Zip

Cell

Email

Church’s current denominational affiliation (if any)

**Please answer the following questions:**

1. Describe the history of the church (how and when did the church begin, important events/transitions in the life of the congregation, etc.)

1. What has attracted you to the Mennonite Brethren?

1. Have you read the USMB Confession of faith and National and District bylaws and affirm them?

1. Has your pastor completed the ministry questionnaire for licensure? If not, what is the anticipated date of completion?

1. Has your pastor read and signed the Pastoral Covenant?

1. Describe the church facilities (buildings, seating capacity, own, rent, mortgage loan)?

1. What is the average Sunday morning worship attendance? Of this number, how many are children/youth (under 18)?

1. What language is spoken in worship?

1. What are the main ministries of the church?

1. What is the annual budget (total amount given per year)?

1. Depending on your church governance model, has the congregational body entrusted with decision making voted in favor of joining the Mennonite Brethren Conference? Yes  No

What was the date of the vote?

The total number of votes:

1. **Please attach a copy of the church bylaws.**

# AGREEMENT

If accepted into the Mennonite Brethren Conference, we agree:

1. *To work in harmony with and contribute to the ministry of the USMB and District Conferences of Mennonite Brethren Churches.*
2. *To amend the by-laws of our church by adding a declaration of affiliation with the (Pacific, Southern, Central, North Carolina or LAMB) District Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches.*
3. *To include in the official corporate name of the church the words: “Mennonite Brethren Church” (this need not be included in the published or “street” name of the church).*

**Date and Sign:**

Chair

Secretary

Pastor