

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Newport Beach, California

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

(Please answer Yes, No, or provide the year/time requested)

1. Are you dedicated to practicing Christian Science in your daily life and able to enter into full fellowship with the Tenets of Christian Science, the By-laws of this branch church, and the *Manual of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Massachusetts*? _____
2. Are you aware of and inspired by the doctrines of Christian Science, according to the platform (S&H 330-340) and teaching contained in *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy? _____
3. Are the Bible and *Science and Health*, and other publications authorized by The Christian Science Publishing Society, your primary texts for self-instruction in Christian Science? _____
4. If you have been a member of another religious denomination or any other branch of The Mother Church or Christian Science Society, has that membership been withdrawn? *If yes, a letter of withdrawal should accompany this application and be submitted to the Clerk. Is it submitted? Circle Y or N If no, reason:* _____
5. Are you at least twelve years of age? *If you are between twelve and eighteen years of age, a letter from one of your parents or guardians stating their support of this application for membership must accompany this application and be submitted to the Clerk.* _____
6. Do you agree to actively participate in the duties of branch church members as stated in the By-laws, Article VI, Section C, Duties of Members? _____
7. How long have you been regularly attending this branch church? _____
8. Are you a member of The Mother Church? (Not required) *If so, what year did you join?* _____
9. Have you had Primary Class Instruction from an authorized teacher of Christian Science? (Not required) _____

PROCESS

1. Obtain this application from the clerk.
2. Thoughtfully complete the application and answer the questions 1-9 posed above.
3. Ask three church members who are not serving on the Executive Board to sign as sponsors; make an appointment with them and review your answers.
4. Return completed, signed application to Clerk within 30-days.
5. The Membership Committee will contact you shortly thereafter to schedule an interview.
6. Please review list of committees you feel comfortable supporting, and share those with the Membership Committee at the interview.
7. After the interview the Board will review and approve the application.
8. The clerk will contact you to schedule a time to sign the membership book after an upcoming service.
9. You are invited to come early to the next Quarterly Business Meeting to be introduced to the members.



Please print carefully and return to clerk within 30-days

Applicant Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

eMail _____

I hereby submit my application for membership in First Church of Christ, Scientist, Newport Beach, CA

Signature _____ Date _____

Below are signatures of three members of this branch church who have verified the candidate's qualifications for membership as outlined in the questions and from personal knowledge.

IMPORTANT NOTE to sponsors: Each, please take the time to review questions 1-9 with the applicant; and, make sure his or her handwriting is clear, above.

Print name 1. _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Print name 2. _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Print name 3. _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Membership Committee Interview (two people unrelated to applicant, at a minimum)

Print Name _____ Date _____

Print Name _____ Date _____

Print Name _____ Date _____

Committee/Prayer Team Choices (for guidance only, appointments are not automatic)



Executive Board Approval Date _____

Applicant Notified Date _____

Membership Register Signed Date _____

Clerk's Signature _____