



COVENANT with LBF Chaplains

By endorsing a Liberty Baptist Fellowship clergyman, LBF covenants with that endorsee to:

1. Act as the endorsee's denomination (movement) of record with the Department of Defense and the applicable department, or any other applicable agency.
2. Issue re-endorsement recommendations on request of any of the above agencies, provided the endorsee is currently in good standing with the movement.
3. Provide a pastoral relationship with the endorsee, demonstrating the love and esteem in which he is held by the constituent churches, through:
 - A. Broadcasting the scope and results of chaplaincy ministries throughout the constituency.
 - B. Generating prayer support for chaplains and their fields.
 - C. Visiting chaplains at their duty locations, as the availability of funds permits, for fellowship and encouragement, and to demonstrate to command authority the support of chaplains issuing from the entire LBF effort.
 - D. Arranging an annual Chaplains Conference for chaplains stationed within the Continental United States.
 - E. Providing doctrinal positions and behavioral guidelines reflective of LBF thinking on current issues (attached).
 - F. Strongly encouraging chaplains, during those years when they are stationed within the Continental United States, to attend the annual meeting of LBF.
 - G. Establishing a semi-annual on-line LBF website reporting system for Active Duty chaplains and an annual reporting system for Reserve and National Guard chaplains.
 - H. Standing with chaplains who encounter conflict within the military service system, either supporting them quietly or defending them vigorously, as judgement appears to indicate in each situation. The chaplain must contact the endorsing agent asap when their ministry is in jeopardy.
 - I. Initiating appropriate exchanges of sharing among and between chaplains.
 - J. Assisting retiring chaplains to find appropriate fields of further service for Christ.

By accepting endorsement from Liberty Baptist Fellowship, the endorsee covenants with the endorser to:

1. Have his church membership in an LBF church, or church whose faith and practice are in essential agreement with the faith and practice of Liberty Baptist Fellowship.
2. Regularly support the LBF through prayer, ministry to churches, ministry to LBF servicemen and women.
3. Stand as Christ's man wherever assigned, ministering as a Bible-honoring representative of a theologically conservative constituency.
4. Be prepared to minister in the spirit of the Doctrinal Statement of the LBF.
5. Conduct his personal and professional life and ministry as further defined by the behavioral guidelines and doctrinal positions which, may be promulgated on current issues from time to time by the Chaplains Committee of LBF.
6. Attend the annual TRBC Conferences and meeting of the LBF whenever stationed within the Continental United States, unless prevented by military duty.
7. Financially support the Liberty Baptist Fellowship outlined in the LBF Guidelines Letter.
8. Provide to LBF a current photograph at least annually as well as pictures portraying current ministries.
9. Send updated information...address, phone contacts, email address etc...when there is a change.
10. Stay in contact with endorsing agent by phone, email or letter a minimum of once every six months...no exceptions.
11. Scan and email a copy of their annual Officer Performance Report for AD and Reservist.

Signed _____ Date__ Endorsing
Agent _____ Date__