

Qualifications for Board Candidates

At Whittier Area Community Church, our Board:

- In response to the Holy Spirit's leading, provides input into the overall vision and future direction of the church with the Senior Pastor and staff, and ensures these values are carried out
- Assists in the shepherding and the spiritual life of the church by being an example and role model who lives out the core values of our church
- Creates and enforces policies to clearly define church values and biblically based operating procedures
- Ensures the church's teachings and practices reflect accurate biblical theology and approve pulpit supply (interim, pastors, guest speakers, etc.) in the absence of Senior Pastor
- Provides avenues, if needed, for pastoral care, conflict resolution, discipline, and restoration
- Provides direction on financial or risk-management issues
- Serves for a 3-year term

Individuals who serve on the Board must demonstrate humility, discernment, wisdom, encouragement and leadership skills as demonstrated by spiritual fruitfulness, lived out through active, ongoing ministry within the Body of Christ in a manner consistent with the guidance outlined in Scripture.

Biblical Qualifications: (Matthew 7:12, Matthew 22:37, Galatians 3:28, Galatians 5:22-23, 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9)

- 1. Above reproach, blameless
- 2. Married to only one person
- 3. Temperate
- 4. Self-controlled
- 5. Manages own family well
- 6. Respectable
- 7. Hospitable
- 8. Able to teach
- 9. Compassionate
- 10. Loves what is good
- 11. Their children obey and respect them

- 12. Good reputation
- 13. Strong love for the Lord
- 14. Upright, holy and disciplined
- 15. The desire for all people to know Christ
- 16. Not pursuing dishonest gain
- 17. Not overbearing
- 18. Not quarrelsome
- 19. Not given to drunkenness
- 20. Not quick-tempered
- 21. Not violent, but gentle

Additional Qualifications:

- 1. Member of Whittier Area Community Church for at least two years
- 2. Professing Christian for at least three years
- 3. At least twenty-one (21) years of age
- 4. Has not served in that office for at least one year (unless service has been to complete the unexpired term of another)
- 5. Supportive of the church and a consistent pattern of financial support