

ACTIVE ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS

1. Quarterly Reports

We want to know what is happening in your ministry! Please e-mail a monthly report to our office. Send these reports every quarter on the day you were born to chaplaincy@texasbaptists.org. You can find a fillable form for this report at texasbaptists.org/chaplaincy.

In addition to your name, email address, mailing address, and phone numbers, you will answer the following questions.

- 1) How is God working in your personal and professional life?
- 2) What ministry stories can you share? If possible, share a photo.
- 3) What challenges are you facing at this time? Is there any way you would like an endorser to assist?
- 4) Do you have a concern or issue that you would prefer to talk with an endorser over the phone or in person?
- 5) Do you anticipate any major changes in the next six months?

2. Attend Chaplain Training Events

In order to maintain active endorsement, you should attend our annual Chaplain Training Events at least once every 3 years. We would love to have you there every year, but understand that work schedules, deployments, and other things impinge on your ability to attend every year. Everyone should be able to control their schedule well enough to attend at least that often. There is great training offered there and your boss knows the need for you to have continuing education. Look for information in our monthly newsletter about these events.

3. Monthly Contribution

For us to provide the ministry to you that we wish to provide, we request a monetary donation from all Texas Baptist endorsed chaplains. Although this support is expected, there is no minimum amount – we ask only for whatever the Lord lays upon your heart. These contributions are immeasurably supportive to our ministry and assist throughout the year with costs involving chaplain site-visits and fellowship gatherings. Donations also help to provide our annual Chaplain Training Conference at a reduced rate. You can set up a contribution on our website: texasbaptists.org/chaplaincy

4. Mentorship

We would like all our chaplains to have a mentor and also be a mentor for another Texas Baptist chaplain. You may find your own, or you may ask the office to assist you with finding a mentor for yourself. Hopefully, someone will notice your leadership and, at the proper time, simply ask if you will be their mentor.

If you have any question about these expectations, please contact Bobby Smith at chaplaincy@texasbaptists.org.