 **Membership Application for**

**RAIN Member Church or Ministry**

**Church/Ministry Application Fee: $100.00**

**Member Church or Ministry**

A church or ministry may apply to become a RAIN Member by completing the following form and submitting it to the RAIN office along with the documentation listed on page 5. The completed application and accompanying documentation will be carefully considered by the

RAIN Membership Committee. Mail to: **RAIN, P.O. Box 418, Black River Falls, WI 54615**

**Member Churches/Ministries shall have the following benefits:**

1. A Corporate Anointing and a strong Spiritual Foundation - Bringing Relationships and support to undergird, strengthen, and build up your church or ministry.
2. Help with conflict resolution and due process.
3. Confidential counseling for ministry staff.
4. Financial counsel for the church or ministry.
5. Prayer ministry - training and support.
6. Access to RAIN apostolic team for counsel, wisdom and help in building up the local church.
7. The right to use RAIN logo, trademarks and service marks.
8. The right to use the name “RAIN” as all or part of the local church’s name.
9. Leadership may participate in all special member retreats, conferences, and on-going ministry training.
10. When hosting a RAIN sponsored event, it will be covered by liability insurance.
11. Help establish a Healing ministry in your church or ministry by conducting RAIN/IAHM Healing Schools in your church or location.
12. Training and Equipping in Prophetic Ministry through School of the Prophetic.
13. RAIN can provide a continual flow through your church of qualified, gifted and anointed Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers.
14. Link on the RAIN Ministries website to your church or ministry website.
15. Additional benefits may be available for the members of your church/ministry.

**Member Churches/Ministries must meet the following qualifications:**

1. They must have a pastor or leader who is credentialed by RAIN.
2. Each Member Church will support RAIN with 4 % of their general tithes and offerings.
3. They must operate exclusively for charitable religious and education purposes.
4. They need to accept fully and completely the Statement of Faith of RAIN listed in the RAIN Membership Manual.

I have read the preceding qualifications list and hereby certify that our church/ministry meets the requirements of a RAIN Member Church/Ministry as listed above.

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Signature of Senior Pastor/Leader Date

**Voluntary Withdrawal or Termination from RAIN:**

Member Churches/Ministries have the right to withdraw from the association at any time upon provision of written notice of their intention to do so to the President of the Association. RAIN has the right to terminate the membership of any church/ministry based on the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of RAIN, whose decision shall be final and subject to no other authority. Grounds for termination may include, but are not limited to: (1) failure to abide by the RAIN Statement of Faith (listed below); (2) failure to meet the qualifications for a Member Church/Ministry as listed above; (3) departure of the church/ministry leadership from the leadership qualities as set forth in Scripture; and (4) unscriptural conduct that (a) obscures the truth of God by false teaching or doctrine in any area of cardinal truth, (b) mars the holy character of God and His church by unholy, immoral living, action or lifestyle, or (c) hinders the work of God by bringing confusion or division to the body. Prior to termination, the President and the Board of Directors shall offer any church/ministry subject to termination the opportunity to be heard in mitigation, repentance, explanation or defense. All action on the part of RAIN will be administered redemptively, at the highest level of Christ’s love according to the principles of scripture in Matthew 18. The final decision to terminate lies solely within the discretion of the RAIN Board of Directors.

Termination shall serve to end the terminated church/ministry’s right to participate in all privileges accorded to members of RAIN. Upon termination of membership by RAIN, the former Member Church/Ministry shall cease to use the trademarks and service marks of RAIN and will cease to state any association with RAIN. Furthermore, the former member church/ministry will return the Certificate of Membership to the RAIN office.

**RAIN Statement of Faith:**

Resurrection Apostolic International Network accepts the Bible, canonized as the 66 books making up the Old Testament and the New Testament, as the Word of God and as His revealed will, the all-sufficient rule for faith, doctrine and practice.

For the purpose of maintaining unity, we adopt the following statements of truth:

* 1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, authoritative Word of God. Holy men of God wrote under the guidance, influence and inspiration of the Holy Spirit.
	2. We believe that there is one God eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son & Holy Spirit.
	3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His future personal return in power and glory.
	4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
	5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a Godly life and is empowered to do the “greater works” that Jesus said we would do.
	6. We believe the baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who in faith ask for it.
	7. We believe in a final judgment at the end of the age when all the dead shall be resurrected to stand before Him; for those that are saved - the resurrection to life and the rewards of the righteous, the blessings of living eternally in the presence of God. For those that are lost - the resurrection of the wicked to damnation.
	8. We believe in the spiritual unity of all believers in our Lord Jesus Christ and will do all to work toward a greater expression of that unity.

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Name of Church/Ministry Date Organized

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Church/Ministry Address City State Zip

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Senior Pastor/Leader Office Phone Leader’s Cell phone

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***Churches Only:***

Number of adult members\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of children\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number attending worship on Sunday\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Is your church currently part of a denomination, organization or network? Yes No If yes, are you leaving that denomination, organization or network? Yes No If yes, briefly explain why:

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***Church and Ministry:***

Is your property owned by a denomination, organization or network? ❑ Yes ❑ No

Is your eldership/leadership in agreement with becoming part of the RAIN family?

❑Yes ❑ No

Have you shared the decision of your leadership with the members? ❑ Yes ❑ No

Is there harmony among the membership in this decision? ❑ Yes ❑ No

Is your leadership willing to have your church/ministry support RAIN financially with a portion of its tithe? ❑ Yes ❑ No

**Please submit copies of the following along with your application:**

* Your church/ministry’s Statement of Faith
* Your current Constitution and Bylaws
* Your church/Ministry’s Mission and Vision statements
* A description of your church/ministry government
* The Senior Leader’s ordination/licensure certificate, if currently credentialed
* RAIN Individual Membership Applications from Ministry Staff

*Church or Ministry Application continued*

How will your church/ministry benefit from becoming part of the RAIN family?

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Signature of Senior Pastor/Leader Date

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Signature of Elder/Leader Date

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*If you have more Elders/Leaders than spaces provided, have them sign on the back of this page.*

**STATEMENT OF TRUTH**

I understand that all items submitted to RAIN as part of the application process will be held in strictest confidence. Only those with a need to know will review it. I grant RAIN and its leadership permission to verify information on this application.

I hereby state that all the information on this application is correct and true. If RAIN is notified that any of the information contained in this application is false, it will be grounds for immediate dismissal.

Signature of Senior Pastor/Leader Date

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| **For Office Use Only** Approved for Membership: \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |
| James H. Rickard, Founder & President Date approved Regional Oversight: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  | Date Received into membership  |