

## APPLICATION FOR CHURCH OF EXCELLENCE IN EVANGELISM

(Please fill out the following information for each church for the calendar year 2017.)

CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

PASTOR \_\_\_\_\_ CHURCH NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS FORM IS TO BE GIVEN TO YOUR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT AT THE SAME TIME AS END-OF-YEAR REPORTS.**

Our church is applying for recognition as a Church of Excellence in Evangelism for 1) having received a new member by profession of faith for every 100 resident members **OR** one for each church for churches of 100 members or fewer; and/or 2) having achieved the following level of commitment to evangelism:

CATEGORY	GOALS	YES	NO
PROFESSIONS OF FAITH	How many members were received by profession of faith in 2017? _____ Does this number reflect at least 1 member received by profession of faith for every 100 resident members <b>OR</b> one member for each church of 100 members or fewer? [required for Gold Medal status]		
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	Total number of members in 2016? _____ In 2017? _____ Is this a <b>net increase</b> in membership?		
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	Average attendance in morning worship in 2016? _____ In 2017? _____ Is this an <b>increase</b> in average attendance in morning worship?		
SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	Average attendance in Sunday School in 2016? _____ In 2017? _____ Is this an <b>increase</b> in average attendance in Sunday school?		
SMALL GROUPS	How many small groups in 2016? _____ In 2017? _____ Is this an <b>increase</b> in the number of small groups?		
BAPTISMS	How many members were baptized in 2017? _____ At least one?		
CONFIRMATION	Was a Confirmation/Membership Class held during 2017?		
NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS	Was at least one new Sunday School class started in 2017? (or an ongoing weekly study group for churches of 100 members or fewer)		
LAY VISITATION	Was an Active Lay Visitation Program developed or continued in 2017?		
RENEWAL EVENT	Was at least one Renewal Event held in 2017? [EX: Vital Congregations Ministry, Visioning Process, Natural Church Development, Revival, Lay Witness Mission] <b>DESCRIPTION REQUIRED FOR CREDIT:</b> _____		
DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAM	Was at least one IN-DEPTH Discipleship Program held in 2017? [EX: Disciple Bible Study, Christian Believer, Jesus in the Gospels, Kerygma, Covenant Discipleship] <b>DESCRIPTION REQUIRED FOR CREDIT:</b> _____		
MINISTRY IN COMMUNITY	Did the church engage in ministry with the poor or marginalized in your community? <b>DESCRIPTION REQUIRED FOR CREDIT:</b> _____		

**TOTAL**

<b>GOLD MEDAL</b>	Met 10 goals <b>including</b> Profession of Faith requirement		
<b>SILVER MEDAL</b>	Met 10 goals <b>not including</b> the Profession of Faith requirement; or Met 8 goals		
<b>BRONZE MEDAL</b>	Met 6 goals		
<b>HONORABLE MENTION</b>	Met 4 goals		

Recognition of the 2017 Churches of Excellence in Evangelism will be made during the 2018 session of the Holston Annual Conference at Lake Junaluska, NC.