



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying for membership in Victory Leadership Network (VLN). The purpose of this Network is to encourage, support and recognize the call to ministry for men and women of all nations from those just starting in ministry to those who have been in ministry for years.

VLN membership is for pastors, teachers, missionaries, worship leaders, outreach ministers, traveling ministers, para-church ministry team members, and Christian workers. We provide a place of covering for those called to do the Lord’s work and offer accountability, networking, fellowship, and divine connections.

One role of VLN is to provide credentialing services to our members who wish to pursue ministerial or chaplaincy credentials. Please review and decide which membership level you are requesting. If your interest is primarily to be affiliated with VLN but not pursue ministerial or chaplaincy credentials at this time, please indicate your membership level as Certified Member. Then, complete all sections of the VLN Membership Application and submit it via mail, email, or fax to Victory Leadership Network. Please feel free to contact us by phone or email if you have any questions regarding VLN or the application process.

Sincerely,

Pastor Paul Daugherty
Victory Lead Pastor

VLN APPLICATION SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- Completed and signed VLN Membership Application
- Current color photo (headshot) of yourself (mail with application or email)
- Pastoral Recommendation form submitted to VLN by your Pastor
- VLN Member or Personal Recommendation form submitted to VLN by the VLN member or personal reference
- Non-refundable Application Fee (see chart below)
- Mail, email, or fax your completed application to VLN (contact information listed at bottom of page)

Membership Level/Credential	Application Fee due now	Annual Renewal Fee due January 1
Certified Member	\$25	\$25
Licensed Minister	\$75	\$75
Ordained Minister	\$75	\$75

VLN MEMBERSHIP / CREDENTIALS INFORMATION

GENERAL CREDENTIAL GUIDELINES

All applicants should meet each of these five criteria, unless waived by the VLN Committee:

1. **Calling:** There should be evidence of a *call* to ministry (Acts 13:2).
2. **Training:** There should be *training* and graduation from a recognized Christian university, seminary, Bible school, or other vocationally-appropriate curriculum (II Timothy 2:15).
*Equivalent, documentable on-the-job or life-experience training may be considered
3. **Affirmation of Others:** There should be strong *affirmation of call and character from other Christian leaders*. (II Timothy 1:18).
4. **Fruit:** There should be evidence of ministry *fruit*, demonstrating the call and anointing of God to a particular ministry (Matthew 12:33).
5. **Character:** There should be evidence of *character* in harmony with the standards laid down in scripture for Christian leadership (II Timothy 3:1-13).

SPECIFIC CREDENTIAL REQUIREMENTS

Type of Credential	Description	Requirements			
		Age	Education	Experience or Internship	Years of Service
Certified Member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serving in any role in a church or para-church ministry • i.e. school teachers, prison ministry, helps, administration, marketplace ministry, etc. 	18	6 months	3 months	3 months
Licensed Minister	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serving in a part or fulltime ministry/pastoral role • Issued to ministers who are serving under the ministry of a local church or para-church ministry and/or to ministers who are moving towards ordination. • i.e. pastors, evangelists, teachers, missionaries, helps, administration, marketplace ministry, etc. 	20	2 years	2 years	6 months
Ordained Minister	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed 1 full year as a Licensed Minister with VLN or an approved licensing organization • Serving in a fulltime ministry/pastoral role • Issued to ministers with a qualified fulltime call that is transferable between ministries and congregations to lifetime service in the Kingdom. • i.e. pastors, evangelists, teachers, missionaries 	22	2 years	3 years	2 years



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please indicate that status of this application: NEW RENEWAL STATUS CHANGE

Please indicate which credential you are seeking: Certified Member Licensed Minister Ordained Minister

SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION			
Last Name	First	Middle	Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Date of Birth (mm / dd / yyyy)			
Mailing Address			
City	State / Province	Zip / Postal Code	
Country	Citizenship	Best Time to Reach You by Phone:	
Cell Phone	Home Phone	Email	
Facebook/Twitter/Skype			
Current Employer	Employer Address, City, State		
Title of Position	Business Type	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Time <input type="checkbox"/> Part Time	
SECTION 2 – FAMILY INFORMATION			
Marital Status			
<input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Engaged <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced – Date ___/___/___ <input type="checkbox"/> Remarried – Date ___/___/___			
If you checked any of the last three boxes, please give a brief explanation.			
Spouse's Name	Birthdate	Wedding Date	
Is your spouse / fiancé saved?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Filled with the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Child Name	Birthdate	Child Name	Birthdate
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SECTION 3 – CHURCH INFORMATION			
Name of Home Church	Name of Senior Pastor		
Address of Church			
City	State / Province	Zip / Postal Code	
Phone	Email Address	Website	
How long have you attended this Church?	Do you attend Church regularly? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

SECTION 4 – PRESENT MINISTRY INFORMATION

Name of your Ministry (if applicable)		Position <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor <input type="checkbox"/> Traveling Minister <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelist <input type="checkbox"/> Missionary <input type="checkbox"/> Chaplain <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Address			
City	State / Province	Country	Zip / Postal Code
Phone	Email Address		Website
How long have you been leading this Ministry?			

SECTION 5 – MISSIONARY INFORMATION

What countries are you currently serving as a Missionary?	
How are you engaged with the indigenous or local church?	
Are you currently living fulltime on the field? How long?	Are you currently directing an IVBI?
Ministry Focus (select all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Church Planting <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism <input type="checkbox"/> Humanitarian Aid <input type="checkbox"/> Orphanage <input type="checkbox"/> Training <input type="checkbox"/> Trafficking <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

SECTION 5 – CURRENT MINISTERIAL INVOLVEMENT

Present primary field of ministry:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pastor	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth Minister	<input type="checkbox"/> Teacher	<input type="checkbox"/> Men's Ministry
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate Minister	<input type="checkbox"/> Children's Minister	<input type="checkbox"/> Chaplain	<input type="checkbox"/> Women's Ministry
<input type="checkbox"/> Traveling Minister	<input type="checkbox"/> Worship Leader	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrator	<input type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Helps
<input type="checkbox"/> Missionary	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Are you in a recognized Ministerial position? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Are you <input type="checkbox"/> Paid or <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer?	
Are you <input type="checkbox"/> Full Time <input type="checkbox"/> Part Time? How many hours weekly are you involved in this ministry? _____		How long have you been in this and other ministry? <input type="checkbox"/> > 5 years <input type="checkbox"/> 3-5 years <input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 years <input type="checkbox"/> < 1 year	
What are your current responsibilities and roles in this position?			
Do you currently hold credentials with another ministerial organization? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No -if yes, submit proof of credentials with application			
Name of Organization		Credential held <input type="checkbox"/> Licensed Minister <input type="checkbox"/> Ordained Minister <input type="checkbox"/> Licensed/Ordained Chaplain Expiration Date:	

NEW applicants list all PREVIOUS ministry experience. RENEWAL or STATUS CHANGE applicants, describe ministry activities for the PAST 12 MONTHS.

SECTION 6 – MINISTRY / CALLING

Describe specific type / area of ministry where you feel called to minister:			
How would you describe yourself in the context of your most effective ministerial gifting? (check one in each column)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Primary Leader	<input type="checkbox"/> Called to break new ground	<input type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input type="checkbox"/> Suburban
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant Leader	<input type="checkbox"/> Called to build on established works	<input type="checkbox"/> Inner City	<input type="checkbox"/> International
<input type="checkbox"/> Team / Support Role	<input type="checkbox"/> Called to Outreach / Missions		
Please indicate what age group(s) your ministry tends to focus on			
<input type="checkbox"/> Children	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth	<input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult	<input type="checkbox"/> Families <input type="checkbox"/> Empty nesters <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors
Does your call have an emphasis on an ethnic or national group? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Name of Group:			
What is the long term vision for your ministry?			

SECTION 7 – EDUCATION

Check highest level attained: High School GED Vocational / Technical College

Name of School (Post-Secondary Only)	Years	Course of Study	Degree or Diploma Earned

I am attaching a copy of my transcript(s) which shows courses completed, and degrees earned.

SECTION 8 – SPIRITUAL BACKGROUND

- 1 Have you received Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord? Date: _____ Yes No
- 2 Have you been baptized in water since you were saved? Date: _____ Yes No
- 3 Have you received the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues? Yes No
- 4 Are you currently in good standing with your Pastor and Church? Yes No
- 5 Is your spouse or fiancé in full support of your call to ministry? Yes No
- 6 Have you ever personally been involved in a Church split? Yes No
- 7 Have you ever been asked to leave a local church, a ministry, or a denomination?
(If Yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper) Yes No
- 8 Have you ever been denied ministerial credentials? Yes No
- 9 Have you used any tobacco products, alcohol, illegal drugs, or gambling in the last 12 months? Yes No
- 10 Have you been involved in any immoral activities (pornography, promiscuity, homosexuality) in the last 2 years?
(If Yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper) Yes No
- 11 Have you been removed, resigned or asked to leave a ministry position?
(If Yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper) Yes No

SECTION 9 – LEGAL BACKGROUND

Have you ever had any civil or criminal proceeding against you? Please explain (Year, City and State) Yes No

Have you ever had been charged or convicted of a felony? Please explain (Year, City and State) Yes No

Are there currently any legal judgments against you? Please explain (Year, City and State) Yes No

Have you ever declared bankruptcy? Please explain (Year, City and State) Yes No

SECTION 10 – MINISTRY CREDENTIALS QUESTIONNAIRE (For more room, use a separate sheet of paper)

Is it important to be sure of God’s calling on your life? Use scripture to support your answer.

Yes No

1. List and explain in your own words, using scriptural references, the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

2. List and explain in your words, using scriptural references, the fruit of the Spirit.

3. How do the gifts of the Spirit and the fruit of the Spirit relate to your ministry? Describe how these entities are important to what you do.

4. Describe your devotional life and your personal relationship to the Lord Jesus Christ

5. Describe what your identity in Christ means to you and its value to your ministry.

6. Describe the concept of “leadership” in your own words. What role does it play in your ministry?

7. Do you believe and practice tithing? If no, please explain.

Yes No

8. Do you handle your finances in your private life and ministry with integrity?

Yes No

9. Describe your view of the roles of submission and authority.

10. How did you learn about Victory Leadership Network?

11. Why do you wish to be under the covering of VLN?

SECTION 11 – VLN STATEMENT OF FAITH

This Statement of Faith is not intended to cover all Biblical truth but to establish a basis for fellowship and cooperation so that we may “all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions.”

We believe...

1. The Bible is the inspired and only infallible, authoritative Word of God (2 Tim. 3:16, 17).
2. In one God, eternally existent in three persons; Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Deut. 6:4; Matt. 28:19; 1 Cor. 8:6)
3. 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 His personal return in power and glory (Jn. 1:1; 1 Cor. 15:3, 4; 1 Pet. 1:18-24; Jn. 3:16).
4. The salvation of man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is essential. (Rom. 3:21-30; Gal. 4:4-7; Acts 4:12; Rom. 5:8-13, 15; Eph. 2:8,9)
5. In the operating of the gifts of the Spirit (1 Cor. 12:7-11).
6. The baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance (Acts 2:4). It is the true power in ministry and service of the Body of Christ (Acts 1:4, 8; 2:11; 10:46; 1 Cor. 12:1-31).
7. Divine healing is provided for in the atonement and is the privilege of every believer (Isa. 53:4; Matt. 8:16, 17; Mark 16:18; John 5:6-14 1 Pet. 2:24).
8. The return of Jesus Christ and final judgment before the judgment seat of Christ. Believers will be redeemed to be delivered unto everlasting life and the unbeliever unto everlasting punishment (Rev. 20:11, 12; 2 Cor. 5:10).

SECTION 12 – CODE OF CONDUCT

Upon acceptance of ministerial credentials from Victory Leadership Network (VLN), I hereby agree to covenant based on the following:

1. To uphold the biblical standards of holiness and Godly conduct that are set forth in the Word of God governing ministers, in my personal life as well as my professional life:
 - Believing my body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, I covenant to:
 - Order my life in accordance with God’s standard of moral purity, (1 Cor. 6:9-20)
 - Remain faithful to my marriage vows, (1 Thess. 4:3-7, Eph. 5:1-7)
 - Remain free from bondage to any addictive substance or ungodly activity. (1 Cor. 6:12, 1 Tim. 3:3, 8)
 - Believing my conduct in every area of life is to glorify God, I covenant to:
 - Seek to manifest the fruit of the Spirit in all my actions and endeavors, (Gal. 5:19-26)
 - Deal honestly with everyone, (1 Tim. 6:6-14)
 - Work so I may give to others. (Eph. 4:28)
 - Believing my family is to reflect Christ’s love and care for His church, I covenant to:
 - Strive to keep my family in Biblical order, (Eph. 5:21-6:4, 1 Tim. 3:4, 5)
 - Provide for my family spiritually and physically, (1 Tim. 5:8)
 - Guard my tongue. (Eph. 4:29-32, James 3, II Tim. 2:22-26, James 1:26)
2. To submit to the leadership and covering provided by VLN, and receive the wisdom, counsel and restoration available through the VLN leadership and the VLN committee;
3. To commit to the VLN Statement of Faith and to faithfully minister sound doctrine;
4. To support VLN with my prayers, offerings and attendance at all meetings and conferences provided by the network whenever possible;
5. To maintain a level of excellence and quality of ministry that will enhance and be an asset to Victory Leadership Network.

SECTION 13 – SIGNATURE

I hereby understand that this application will be held in confidence. Only those persons with a need to know will review it.

I hereby authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application, and give my permission to all persons who may be referred, to give all information regarding me personally and my employment. I understand that misrepresentation or omission of the facts called for herein will be sufficient cause for exclusion from Victory Leadership Network.

I hereby state that all the information on this application and all correspondence with VLN is correct and true. If VLN is notified that any of the information contained on this application is false, it will be grounds for immediate cancellation of application procedure and/or revocation of membership.

I pledge my word as a minister of the Gospel to abide and submit myself to the regulations and ministerial ethics of this Network or face disciplinary action by those in authority. If, at any time, I feel I can no longer agree with the above statements and practices listed, then I shall voluntarily forfeit my ministerial credentials and/or membership with Victory Leadership Network.

I prayerfully and willfully submit this application this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Signature