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COMPANY REQUIREMENTS

Do Not Alter This Form - Use Only To Apply For Company Status

The following structure and sequence assures that Companies are well established and that all criteria is met in sequence, leading the Company to operate as a healthy organized Church. Each status shall be maintained for a period of one year prior to making application for next status.

1. **Formation of the Company:** After maintaining Group status for a period of one year, keeping all obligations current, application may be made for Company Status.
 - A. The Group votes to form a Company and submits application to Administration.
 - B. The formation of a new Ethnic Company will be through the joint recommendations of the Local Conference Administration and the ethnic coordinator.
 - C. Conference administration presents this recommendation to the Conference Executive Committee for Approval.
2. **Membership:** A Company shall be established with a minimum of 30 baptized members, at least 10 of these baptized members must be giving units.
3. **Leadership:** Companies do not qualify for a pastor, but may share a pastor with the sponsoring church.
4. **Officers:** A list shall be submitted of the following leadership positions:
 - A. Elder
 - B. Treasurer
 - C. Clerk
 - D. Adult Sabbath School Leader
 - E. Children's Sabbath School Leader
5. **Tithe & Offerings:**
 - A. Tithe base requirement is a minimum of \$10,000 per year
 - B. Offerings must be sufficient to support all the local needs
 - C. The Company is authorized to open a non corporate bank account and regularly submit their tithes and offerings to the Conference by the 10th of each month.
6. **Evangelism:** Plans for first year's evangelism to include:
 - A. One Lay led evangelistic event
 - B. One Ministry led evangelistic event
7. **Church Establishment Plans:** For becoming a Church within a specific period of time



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APPLICATION TO ESTABLISH A COMPANY

Company Name _____

Location _____

Company Leader _____

Number of baptized members anticipated to attend _____ Number of giving units _____

Anticipated Yearly Tithe base \$ _____ Anticipated Monthly Offerings \$ _____

Date approved by Executive Committee to operate as a Group _____

Miles from nearest SDA Church _____ Name _____

Miles from sponsoring SDA Church _____ Name _____

Reason for establishing a Company in this specific area _____

Attach: _____ Group board minutes approving the formation of this Company

_____ Name and address of baptized members anticipated to attend

_____ Names, address and email address of officers

_____ Evangelistic/outreach plans and potential

Signatures:

Mother Church Pastor

Company Leader

*****RETURN APPLICATION TO CONFERENCE SECRETARY'S OFFICE*****

Date of Executive committee Vote

Conference Executive Secretary